

Lakecrest Link

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◆ Dates To Remember

Monday, May 1st
First Tuition Installment Due

Friday, May 5th
Wine Tasting Evening
Dress Down Day

Friday, May 12th
Open Doors Day
9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 14th
Mother's Day

Friday, May 19th
Dress Down Day

Monday, May 22nd
Victoria Day Holiday (No Classes)

Tuesday, May 23rd
Declaration of the Bab
(Baha'!)

Wednesday, May 24th
Volunteer Tea

Friday, May 26th
Kindergarten Orientation Day
9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m. with
Meet and Greet for New
Kindergarten Parents

Monday, May 29th
Ascension of Baha'u'llah
(Baha'!)

Looking Forward to June
Saturday, June 3rd @ 9 a.m.
Garage Sale

June 7th 3-5 and 6-8pm
Uniform Fitting

June 7th to June 13th
Senior Exams

Friday, June 16th
Senior Grad Night

Friday, June 23rd
Closing Assembly @ 11 a.m.
Full Dress Uniform
Noon Dismissal

Open Doors Day on Friday, May 12th

We are going all out to get as many prospective families as we can through our doors on Friday, May 12th. Any time from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. parents and the general public are invited to tour our school. Classes will proceed as usual. We are certain that when prospective parents see our classes in action, they are "sold". What parent would not want his or her children in a class that is focused and contented? We know that children learn better in smaller classes where personal attention from the teacher makes a positive difference. Our sparkling and colourful hallways and classrooms catch the eye. The ear is soothed with the sounds of quiet discussion and cheerful conversation in the hallways.

We need your help. Please do whatever you can to encourage parents to visit Lakecrest on May 12th. Pass on the business cards and make the phone calls that will ensure a full house. We are looking for parents as intelligent and perceptive as the ones we have now. You made an excellent choice for your child's education. Now you can help other parents do the same for their children.

Our Students

Wow Them On Broadway

Our recent senior student tour to New York was a huge success. Our students and their chaperone teachers and parents enjoyed a blitz of Manhattan. Our group felt at home scooting in and out of famous shopping meccas on Fifth Avenue, haggling with street vendors in Chinatown and dining at well-known eateries uptown. The group saw three Broadway musicals: *The Lion King*, *The Color Purple* and *Hairspray*. The Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building and other familiar New York landmarks were on the schedule as well as free time to shop, shop, shop.

One notable comment we heard was from a clerk at Starbucks on Broadway and 47th Street. He said that in all his time there he had never encountered such polite young people as the ones in our group. At the airport as we departed New York, the attendant at the desk asked who had raised these students. He said, "Whoever parented these kids should go on Oprah and tell everyone how it's done. They should write a book!" This was said with unmistakable sincerity. Our students earned the many, many compliments they received on the storied streets of New York.

SCENES FROM THE NEW YORK BROADWAY TOUR



Sure, I've seen bigger than this in Conception Harbour !



At the famous skating rink (seen in "Home Alone") at Rockefeller Centre before lunch and a tour of NBC Television Studios



"Bring me your huddled masses yearning to be free."

Environmental Efforts Continue

We have a few Tuesdays to bring in recyclables. Our efforts have resulted in a good amount of money and with an extra effort we can have our best year ever. The funds we raise from Evergreen Recycling are matched by a generous corporate donor so every bottle you send in gets us double the return.

Our Grade Six Class is taking the lead in recycling paper in the school weekly collections from classrooms and offices help our environment.

Ms. Susan Baird of the Multi Materials Stewardship Board made a presentation to our students during an assembly in April. She outlined the good we do when we recycle. She encouraged our students to re-double their efforts in this excellent cause.



Students listen to Ms. Susan Baird's presentation on Environmental Responsibility.

Senior Exams

Senior Exams begin on June 7th. With a little over a month to go, it is imperative that students in Grades Seven, Eight and Nine continue their review. Adding more time each day to review notes while keeping up with current assignments is a good way to ensure a successful conclusion to the school year. If a tutor is needed, this is the time to engage one. If there is something not clear in any subject, it is better to clarify it now than wait until the day before the exam. Here is the Schedule of Senior Exams:

Wednesday, June 7th - Language Arts
 Thursday, June 8th - Social Studies
 Friday, June 9th - Science
 Monday, June 12th - Mathematics
 Tuesday, June 13th - French



Guest speaker Dr. Angus Hartery lectures our Grade Six students on the importance of the skeletal system. He made no bones about it.



Kanha, Glen and Jaimie relax while representing Lakecrest at the Regional Science Fair at MUN.

Star Students

Liam Morrissey, Giles Ayers, Chetan Muram, Thomas Munn, Cecilia Penney, Daniel Dunn, Dominic Bartlomowicz and Rory Campbell competed in the Memorial University Junior Math League competition. Both teams placed well. Lakecrest Team 2 tied for 9th while Lakecrest Team 1 tied for third out of nearly 20 teams. **Philip McDermott** acquired his black stripe in Tae Kwon Do and also passed his preliminary skating test. **Josh Murphy** passed his green level in swimming and got his red stripe in Tae Kwon Do. **Iona Stylianides** passed aqua in swimming. **Giles Ayers** won the provincial championship in the Great Canadian Geography Challenge and has advanced to the nationals. **Zayd Khraishi** got his blue badge in swimming. Science Fair Regionals @ MUN
Alex Matthews, Jaimie Casson Henderson, Michael Furey and Ben Simms in Grade Seven, **Hannah Martin, Mae Barron, Alex Sansom, Kanha Shete and Glen Honeyman** in Grade Eight, **Jessica Snelgrove, Jill Hood, Carolyn Pridham, Leah Aitken and Liam Morrissey** in Grade Nine.

Katie Goes to Guatemala
Katie Lahey, a Grade Nine student here, left with her mother, Bonnie Lundrigan and a group teens and adults from St. John's to Guatemala. The group will help impoverished communities in that Central American nation. The Lakecrest community donated several boxes of school supplies and other goods which formed part of the cargo Katie's group brought with them. We wish Katie, her mother and her group a safe journey and every success in their venture south.



Katie's Grade Nine classmates wish her a safe journey south.

Uniform Fitting

The uniform fitting takes place on June 7th after school and in the evening. Parents can bring their children to have our suppliers fit them for their school uniforms for next year.

Used Uniform Sale

The Student Council will be putting on sale a large number of good quality used uniform pieces. This is a great chance to pick up spare uniform pieces at half price. The sale items can be seen in the front hall.

Signs That Spring Has Sprung



Sunblock, Please

As the weather becomes more springlike, and we continue to get clear skies, the need for sunblock becomes more important. Even though the temperature may be cool, the sun's rays are just as direct. When your child has Physical Education over the next few weeks, please send along some sunblock that they can apply because our classes are going over to Victoria Park for class on these fine days.



Shaun rushes quarterback Eric as he sets up to go long.