



Mackay Centre School and Philip E. Layton School
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April 2018 Newsletter



Dear Parents/Guardians:

The month of April has knocked on our doors and we are slowly but surely approaching the end of another school year.

IMPORTANT DATES - Please take note of the following dates in April:

March 30 th	Good Friday - NO SCHOOL (No Daycare Service available)
April 2 nd	Easter Monday - NO SCHOOL (No Daycare Service available)
April 3 rd to 6 th	I Love to Read Week
April 10 th	Governing Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. for Mackay and 3:15 p.m. for Philip E. Layton
April 12 th	Marianopolis School Choir – SINGERS FOR A CAUSE
April 21 st	Sami Fruits Gala - Fundraiser Dinner
April 23 rd - April 27 th	Defi-Sportif
April 30 th	Professional Day – NO SCHOOL (Daycare Service available)

HAPPY EASTER

Please note there is no school on Good Friday, March 30th nor on Easter Monday, April 2nd. For all those celebrating Easter, please accept our good wishes with much health, joy and new beginnings.

Monthly Theme

This month we are focusing on **POSITIVITY**. Each class will be touching on this theme during the course of the month. We encourage you to discuss **POSITIVITY** at home and to ask your child(ren) what they have been talking about.

MARIANOPOLIS SCHOOL CHOIR – SINGERS FOR A CAUSE

“Singers for a Cause” was created three years ago by second year Health Sciences student Alexandra Cohen. “I created this club because I wanted to find a way to combine my passions for both singing and community service,” she said. “I believe that music has an amazing power to uplift both singers and audience members.”

Meeting weekly, group members put together concerts for various charitable purposes. Past performances have taken place at hospitals, geriatric facilities, community centers and at school events and fundraisers.



On Thursday, April 12th “Singers for a Cause” will return to Mackay Centre School for a third year. The group will sing current pop and Disney tunes.

BUSSING

We remind all parents that if you are picking up your child early or we do not have to put your child on the bus, to please remember to inform the Vice Principal Greg Watson at ext. 1602 and School Secretary Sharon Wood at 1606. Please also write a note in your child's communication book to inform the teacher.

I LOVE TO READ WEEK AT MACKAY CENTRE SCHOOL - TUESDAY APRIL 3rd - FRIDAY, APRIL 6th

Next week students will participate in a number of reading activities including the following school-wide events:

- 1) Opening ceremonies on Tuesday
- 2) A used book fair on Wednesday (please give your child a few dollars to spend for this day!)
- 3) A music activity on Thursday
- 4) Storytelling by author and illustrator Emilie Demers on Friday



Our Librarian, Anne O'Connor, would like to extend a big thank you to all the parents for their donations and support to the library for the Used Book Fair. Now we would love for you to start saving your books for next year's used book fair sale! 😊

DÉFI-SPORTIF

The annual Défi-Sportif competition involving 2900 athletes from over 75 schools will be held on specific days starting Monday, April 23rd to Friday, April 27th. Some students will participate in selected events such as swimming, track and field and biking, etc. This unique competition encourages participation in sports for students of all abilities.

GOVERNING BOARD MEETINGS

The Governing Board meeting for Philip E. Layton School will be held in the library on Tuesday, April 10th at 3:15 pm.

The Governing Board meeting for Mackay Centre School will be held in the library on Tuesday, April 10th at 6:30 p.m.



WEATHER CONDITIONS

Due to the current conditions, we are encouraging parents to dress your child appropriately on a daily basis.

DAYCARE SERVICES FOR ISP MEETINGS

If your **ISP meeting** is scheduled at 2:00 p.m. or at 3:00 p.m. please let us know if we are to put your child on the bus or if you are interested in having him/her stay in daycare till your meeting is finished. If you are interested in daycare services on the day of your ISP meeting, please call Maria Revuelta, Daycare Technician, at 514-483-7200, ext.1653 so arrangements can be made. Also, please write a note in your child's communication book with this information.

FUNDRAISING GALA ORGANIZED FOR MACKAY CENTRE AND PHILIP E. LAYTON SCHOOLS



The *Fondation Sami Fruits pour les Petits* will organize a 7th Gala evening on Saturday, April 21st to raise money for both Mackay Centre and Philip E. Layton Schools. It will be held at **SALLE DE RÉCEPTION SOFIA, 420 AVENUE LAFLEUR (LASALLE)** at

6 p.m. Please join us for an evening of cocktails, supper and entertainment, auction and dancing, midnight buffet and open bar. Reserve your tickets at the following number: 514-813-0905. Please note that the cost per ticket is \$350.00 and will be going to a very worthy cause!