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Principal: Mrs. T. Ziprick

PAC Meeting - March 8, 2016

Administrator's Report - T. Ziprick

1. **Spaghetti Bridge Building** - Our grade 5 students, under the supervision and guidance of Mrs. Baseraba and Mrs. Palahnuk were very successful at the Spaghetti Bridge Building Contest last week at Kildonan Place. One of our teams came in first place in the Gr. 5 division and one team won overall for the K-6. This connects to the curricular area of the design process, structures and simple machines.
2. **Staffing for 2016-2017** - still waiting to solidify our staffing allocations. Information will come to our staff in the next few weeks after Spring Break, regarding projected enrolment; combined class potential as well as numbers of teaching units allotted Dr. Hamilton.
3. **Extra Writing/Literacy support for students** - we have had Ms. Gauvreau, EY consultant, with us several days this week. Classes were able to meet with her to continue the work that was started during our residency in February on writing/reading connections.
4. **Thank you** - from Mrs. Castor for the curling equipment PAC purchased. She has sent a memory book of students' writing to you.
5. **Greening initiative** - a few initial conversations have occurred between maintenance and TZ. Neal Hastings, director of maintenance, put in the initial letter to express interest in the project. The staff/parent group would still need to put in a proposal at the end of June, as well as beginning the process with the application to the Board to be considered.
6. **Upcoming dates to be aware of:**
 - May 12 - Growing & Learning Fair at Donwood School for 16-17 Kindergartens
 - May 27 - K orientation day
 - May 27 - Fairy Tale Math day
 - June 10 - Field Day
 - June 25 - Gr. 5 Farewell, 10:00 a.m.
 - June 30 - School Wide Final Assembly, last day of classes