

MINUTES OF THE PARENT COUNCIL MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2010

The council was privileged to hear a presentation from Dr. Phil Baker of the University of Winnipeg on the Adolescent Brain. Dr. Baker spoke to the influences on the development of the brain and how different parts of the brain impact on the decision making of the adolescent.

The staff report, provided by Ms. McConaghy, was as follows:

1. **7 Habits Workshop** – presented November 8th and 9th to 65 Grade 10 IB students at Melrose Community Club.
2. **Remembrance Day Services** – November 10th. Presentation by Social Studies Department, students and a representative from Veteran Affairs.
3. **Positive School Wide Culture Committee** – met on November 26th to develop a school wide student survey in the next few weeks.
4. **Cure-a-Thon for Canadian Cancer Association** – The Cosmetology student and staff will be hosting this event all day on Thursday, December 2nd in Gym B.
5. **Red River Presentation** – Friday, December 3rd – Slot 1 for all interested Grade 12 students.
6. **Prodigy Performance on CBC Radio** this Friday, December 3rd a.m.
7. **Annual Holiday Craft and Bake Sale** – Saturday, December 4th at MMC 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Hosted by parents students and staff of MMC.
8. **Music Concerts** – December 8th and 9th at the Knowles Covenant Church.
9. **Key Club Christmas Dinner for the Homeless** – December 13th at Crossroads Church on Broadway.
10. **Seniors Christmas Dinner at MMC** – December 14th. All dinner donations from Safeway staff and company. John Black United Church provides all the dinner ware and cutlery and community businesses donate prizes. Entertainment provided by all MMC students. Both staff and parents help to prepare the meals with students acting as hosts and servers. Anna Siemens and Alanna Strembicki are this year's student leaders for the event.
11. **School Dance** – December 16th at MMC.

The Administration Report, provided by V. Laurie was as follows:

- May 24th – Mid Term Report Cards
- The Diary of Anne Frank – Nov. 23 – Nov. 25

- Craft Sale – Sat. Dec. 4th
- Cancer Cure-A-Thon – Thursday, Dec. 2
- RRC Presentation – Friday, Dec. 3
- Christmas Concerts – Wed. Dec. 8th and 9th
- Key Club Christmas Dinner – Crossways in Common Dec. 18th.
- Seniors' Christmas Dinner – Gym A, Dec. 14th
- Thursday, Dec. 16 – School Dance
- Last Day of Classes – Dec. 22nd 2:15 Dismissal
- First Day of 2011 –Thursday, Jan. 6th Day 1
- Standards Exams (January 2011)

January	10 – 13 English
	17 – 19 François
	24 PreCalc
	25 Consumer
	26 – 27 Applied

School Exams January 28, 31, February 1 – 3, 2011

Under New Business, Colleen Kuilman, Chair, spoke to the MAPC Annual Conference on May 7th. The guest speaker will be Mr. Barry McDonald, addressing the topic of “Boy Smarts”.

A tip sheet referencing “Raising a digital Generation” can be downloaded from:
www.media-awareness.ca

Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 25th
 Subject Transition to Post Secondary Schooling and Scholarships

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