# Clearspring Middle School Newsletter

June 2016

### **Principal's Message**

June is an exciting time in school. It is the month of Track Meets, warmer weather, a few learning trips and looking ahead to summer. We will be saying farewell to our Grade 8 students, and wishing them well as they go on to high school. Our Grade 8 farewell event will be a trip to Fun Mountain on June 28.

While we know this is a month of farewells, we plan to work hard to the last day. Teachers will plan for learning right to the end of the month, and our students know we will continue to expect them to have a strong finish to the year. Parents can support this by encouraging your child(ren) to keep a positive attitude and a strong work ethic right through to the end of June.

One highlight event that has become a tradition is our Family Barbeque to be held on June 24<sup>th</sup> this year. This is a fun day to come to school, eat lunch as a family, and support our AMAZING Parent Advisory Council. If you wish to bring your own picnic lunch and share it with your family at school, please do. For those who wish to buy lunch, notes will be sent home later in June to order hot dogs, chips, and drinks for lunch. This year, Red River Co-op Speedway will be sending a car and a driver or two. Students will have a chance to get up close to the car and talk with a driver.

June is also the month that Steinbach celebrates Summer in the City. Sometimes, parents want their children to attend an afternoon concert that involves a friend or family member. If you wish for your child(ren) to attend, please make arrangements to <u>pick</u> <u>them up at school</u>.

I want to thank all those parents who participated in Thought Exchange last week. While we have not seen the results yet, I know that getting information from parents about what we are doing well and what we can do to improve will be very helpful to us as we seek to be the best school we can be.

While June can be filled with anticipation, it can also be a time of anxiety for students. Some students worry about completing their coursework, and some worry about what next year will bring. We want to remember these students as well, and work with ALL students and parents to ensure that we finish the year with strength.

## CMS Website - Your New Location for CMS news

Check out <u>www.cms.hsd.ca</u> to keep up to date with what is happening at CMS!

- Principal's Blog about Learning at CMS
- Canteen menu and prices
- PAC news
- Athletics and Music Information
- CMS Student Handbook

- Important CMS Calendar dates
- Daily Announcements
- CMS Twitter Feed
- Bus Schedules
- A link to the HSD Website

Principal: Ed Neufeld

Vice Principal: Merrilee Plett

Secretaries: Marcie Friesen Lucy Martens

#### **Bus Delays**

Any bus that will be late due to weather or mechanical issues is listed on the HSD website in the bus delay area.

Go to: www.hsd.ca (there is a link on the CMS website)

Then go to: drop down menu of Departments/ Transportation

Thank you for checking these options before calling HSD Transportation Department.

If you have other bus related questions, please phone 204-320-2347.

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#### **Band Concert Finale**

Our year end Band Concert is on June 16, at 7:00 p.m. Come and support our students as they showcase their talents and hard work from this year! We hope to see you there!

Students should be at the school at 6:30 p.m.

### Save the Date!

Meet the Teacher Night: Tuesday, September 6 4:30-6:00 p.m.

First Day of Classes: Wednesday, September 7

#### **Staffing News**

Leaving our school: Mr. Dave Thiessen Ms. Meg Loewen Ms. Karli Davidson Mr. Russ Bergen

Joining our school: Mr. Scott Johnson (Gr. 8) Ms. Peiki Loay (Gr. 8) Mr. Neil Downie (Industrial Arts)

Hiring is not yet complete.

## **PAC Family BBQ**

Friday, June 24 11:30 a.m. -12:45 p.m.

You are all invited to come and spend the lunch hour with us!

Food order forms will be sent home in the week prior to the event.



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#### **Upcoming Events**

June 7	Gr 5 & 6 Track and Field
	(at SMS)
June 10	Gr 7 & 8 Track and Field
	(at SMS)
June 13	6KM at Toround Creek
June 14	Incoming Gr. 5's at CMS
June 16	Band Concert
June 16/17	Gr. 6 Learning Trip
June 20	Gr. 7 & 8 Soccer Tournament
June 23	Gr. 7 at Swimming and Park
June 24	PAC Family BBQ
June 24	Gr. 6's at Flippers Gymnastics
June 24	Gr. 5 Science Presentations
June 28	Gr 8 Farewell at Fun Mountain