



Board Highlights

February 2012

February 1

N.J. Macpherson School
Kindergarten Info Night
KDS Circle Ceremony

February 2

Range Lake North School
Kindergarten Info Night
SJF Report Cards Go Home

February 3-5

High School B-Ball Tourney
Inuvik B-Ball Tourney

February 6

SJF Photo Retakes

February 6-8

SJF Grad 2012 Photos

February 6-10

NJM Drop the Pop Week

February 7

RLN Photo Retakes

February 8

MHS, KTW Photo Retakes
JHS Kindergarten Info Night

February 9

JHS Photo Retakes
RLN Valentines Dance

Message from the Board Chair

This past weekend, the Board of Trustees and District Office staff participated in our Annual Board Retreat. The Board Retreat provides an opportunity to generate meaningful discussion regarding issues and challenges facing the district, and determine practical and attainable solutions. A major point of discussion at the Retreat was the outcome of the Town Hall Meeting held January 25. This includes Reading, Writing and Mathematics; Bullying and Staff Professional Development. The Board of Trustees at YK1 takes these parental and stakeholder concerns very seriously and is working with central office administration to put in place strategies to address the following issues:

Reading, Writing, and Mathematics

- Add a link on the website to ECE (Education, Culture and Employment) for parents to access the curricular outcomes
- Post the report card outcomes on the website
- Post a brief explanation of assessments used in the district for reading and mathematics, on the website:
 - English - District Wide Write, Developmental Reading Assessment, Comprehensive Assessment Program (math in English and French Immersion)
 - French - Evaluation GB+ (reading, French Immersion), Modeles de rendements langagiers (writing, French Immersion)

Staff Professional Development

- Post the Professional Development provided by the District and ECE on the website
- Post In-Service provided to District staff on the website
- Provide explanations of each Professional Development and In-Service session, online and through direct communications with parents and stakeholders
- Provide an explanation of the importance of Professional Development and In-Service sessions to staff, and how it helps staff and, in turn, students

Bullying

Provide students with a tool-kit on how to respond to bullying by teaching them:

- What bullying is and what it looks like
- Appropriate ways to defend themselves
- How to react and respond to bullying

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February 10

NJM, WMS Photo Retakes

February 14

Regular Board Meeting, 7 pm

JHS Project Amour

SJF Music & Talent Show

February 15

SJF Grade 9 Info Night

February 17

WMS Heart Month

WMS Cager Dance, 7 pm

February 17-19

Junior Cager

February 20-24

Education Week

Grade 3 Games Camp

February 20-29

WMS Exploratories

KDS Snaring & Trapping Camp

February 24-26

Senior Cager

February 28

K-8 Report Cards Go Home

February 29

NJM Litterless Lunch

KTW EBS Assembly

Message from the Board Chair cont...

- What steps to take and who to talk to
- Provide staff with more resources on how to recognize and respond to bullying
- Develop a policy to address bullying and discrimination

The Board of Trustees and YK1 would like to take this opportunity to thank parents and stakeholders for providing us with this invaluable information. We appreciate and value your opinions and feedback, as it allows us to determine the best ways to provide our students with quality education in a safe environment.

Kindergarten Information Sessions

During the month of February, YK1 will be holding our Kindergarten Information Sessions. We encourage the community to attend and learn about all of the wonderful things YK1 schools have to offer. Meet our students and staff, find out what our kids are learning, enjoy a tour of our facilities, participate in various activities and register for one of our Kindergarten programs. YK1 is sure to provide everything your child needs to begin a successful academic career!

February 1-3, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Mildred Hall School

February 1, 7:00 pm - N.J. Macpherson School

February 2, 7:00 p.m. - Range Lake North School

February 8, 7:00 p.m. - École J.H. Sissons

Please note that Kindergarten registration is on-going. If you are unable to attend a Kindergarten Information Evening, please contact the schools to set up an appointment with the principal to learn more about Kindergarten at YK1.

Education Week

February 20-24 is Education Week in the Northwest Territories. During Education Week, YK1 encourages you to recognize school staff and thank them for their contributions to education! On behalf of the YK1 Board of Trustees, thank you to all YK1 staff for the incredible job you continue to do everyday!

*PAC
Corner*

February 8 - RLN • February 15 JHS

February 21 - ÉSJF, NJM

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