In January we focused on Cooperation as an important quality for success at school, at home, and in the community. Students demonstrate cooperation by working together to achieve common goals. The Character Attribute theme for the month of February is Caring - just in time for Valentine's Day! There are many ways that Fairview students demonstrate Caring on a daily basis: by showing kindness towards others, listening to and respecting the feelings of others, and taking care of their environment. We’re looking forward to a great month filled with many caring words and deeds!

February is also Black History Month, and the month in which we mark the Lunar New Year. Our Grade 1 – 5 Caring Recognition Assembly will take place on Friday Feb. 23rd at 9:30 a.m. Your child’s teacher will let you know in advance if they are to be recognized at the assembly, and the appropriate time to arrive at school, if you wish to attend.

Parents, please help us to keep your children safe by following our school safety rules and discussing them with your children.

- Please make use of our Kiss ‘n Ride circle to drop off your children in the morning
- Wait for a teacher to help your child exit your vehicle on the passenger side
- Parents, please do not exit the vehicle or park in the Kiss & Ride lane
- DO NOT STOP OR PARK ON JOAN DRIVE NORTH OF ELM ST.
- It's great to see so many families walk to and from school each day. Please remember to stay on sidewalks and follow instructions from the crossing guards at the crosswalks
- Parents and students who enter the school grounds using the Private Property at the back of the school are reminded that you use it at your own risk. Also, the lot will not receive any winter maintenance and may be muddy, icy and slippery
- The school parking lot will be closed to traffic from 8:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., and
again from 3:15 – 3:30 p.m., to ensure that students may safely exit the property. Please ensure that you are parked in a parking space marked by the yellow lines on the perimeter of the lot.

At any time, you can call 905-277-0281 and ask for Ms. McNeely or Mrs. Hatton if you have any questions or concerns regarding safety.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

We inspire success, confidence and hope in each student...and it all starts in kindergarten! If your child was born in 2014, he or she can start kindergarten in September 2018. **You can register your child at any time during regular school hours**—just visit the school he/she will be attending to register.

Peel schools will also hold a Kindergarten Registration Week from Jan. 29th to Feb. 2nd. You can also register at **Fairview from 5 to 8 p.m. on Feb. 1st**.

Please call Fairview at 905-277-0281, if you have any questions about Kindergarten Registration. You are also welcome to make an appointment with the Principal, Ms. McNeely, if you believe your child has any special needs or requirements entering Kindergarten.

**What you will need to bring to registration:**

**Proof of child’s age (one of the following)**
- Canadian birth certificate
- Canadian passport
- citizenship card/certificate
- Permanent Resident Card
- confirmation of permanent residence
- work permit
- refugee permit

**Proof of address (one of the following)**
- Ontario driver’s license
- utility bill
- bank statement/client slip (directly from financial institution)
- credit card statement
- federal government forms (e.g. Social Insurance Number, Service Canada documents)
- purchase agreement

**Proof of custody** – children must live with their parent(s) unless provided documentation supports an alternate living arrangement

**Proof of immunization** – proof that your child has been immunized/vaccinated

**WINTER RECESS EXPECTATIONS**

During winter weather, it is very important that students be dressed for safe outdoor play. Hats, scarves, boots, jackets, snowpants and mittens will help to keep children warm and dry. In order to be sure that students are ready to quickly return to class, and do not come in from recess cold and wet, the following expectations have been shared with every class:

- Students need to wear EVERYTHING they came to school with! *(Hat, Mittens, Scarves, Boots, Snowpants, Jacket)*
- Snow stays on the ground at all times
- Students need to wear SNOWPANTS and BOOTS to go on the field
  Otherwise, they will be expected to remain on the hardtop

Please review these winter recess expectations with your child, and help them to remember to bring all of their winter clothes to school every day! Students will be playing outside, unless the temperature (with or without wind chill) drops to -20 C. As the teachers and supervisors are outside, it will not be possible to make arrangements for individual children to remain inside during winter weather. As always, please inform your child’s teacher if you have any specific medical concerns to share about your child during the winter weather.
OFFENCE DECLARATION

At Fairview we welcome and encourage the participation of parents and community members, and are grateful for the hours our volunteers contribute throughout the school year. To volunteer at our school, you must complete a short interview and a criminal record check. A criminal record check is required for all school volunteers in Ontario. In many circumstances, even if you want to accompany your child on a field trip, you need this record check. Once you have completed the process, you are on file with the Peel District School Board as being a school volunteer. All returning volunteers will receive an Offence Declaration form that must be filled out and returned to the board office each year. Completing the Offence Declaration will ensure that you can continue volunteering in the next school year. Expect to receive the form in February.

LOCKDOWN PRACTICE

Please be aware that all schools are required to practice a “lockdown” drill twice in each school year. We are planning for one on February 6th. Students and staff will be practicing what to do in case restriction of movement becomes necessary, in the case of a serious event on or around school property. Please call Ms. McNeely or Mrs. Hatton at the school office if you have any questions about this process.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

School Cash Online is an online parent portal that offers a safe, fast and convenient way to pay for school activity fees. The portal is customized to meet the school’s needs and allows parents to make payments, check account history, print/view receipts and receive notifications about upcoming events. With School Cash Online, you can pay all of your child’s fees with the click of a button from any location. Sending in money with your children will be a thing of the past. You will be able to pay with Visa, Mastercard, or directly from your account via e-check. Instructions for registration will be coming soon.

MOVE-A-THON 2018

Our fourth annual Fairview Move-a-thon is set to kick off soon! Students will attend a Pep Rally assembly, and pledge forms and information will follow shortly. This will be our one major Fund-Raiser this year. Our very own Mr. Wellman has taken on the role of D.J. this time, and we are looking forward to a fun time for all. The tentative date for our Move-a-Thon has been changed to Thursday, March 1st.

Don’t forget, items such as glow bracelets, cosmic rings and glow-in-the-dark glasses will be for sale at the Cosmic Store priced at 2

HOWDY PARTNER!! THE SCHOLASTIC WILD WEST BOOK FAIR IS COMING!

Dates:
February 5, 6, 7 & 8

Times:
School Hours for students
Before School for parents: 8:30-9:00 am (Wednesday & Thursday)
After School for parents: 3:20–6:00 pm (Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday)

SEE Y’ALL THERE!
dollars and up. We are really looking forward to rocking the day away! Thank you in advance for your support for our Move-A-Thon!

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH**

In December 1995, the House of Commons officially recognized February as Black History Month, following a motion introduced by the first black Canadian woman elected to Parliament, the Honourable Jean Augustine.

During Black History Month, students, staff and parents from across Peel will participate in a number of activities that promote the understanding of the many contributions made by black Canadians. At Fairview, the daily morning announcements, including the morning music will reflect Black History month. There will also be a special presentation at the February Awards and Sharing assembly. Please feel free to join us!

**WHAT TO DO IF YOUR CHILD HAS HEAD LICE**

Head lice are tiny insects that live on the scalp where they lay their eggs. They have three stages: the egg (nit), the nymph and the adult. Head lice do not spread diseases and cannot be spread between animals or pets and humans, only through direct contact between people.

Head lice spread easily, especially where people are in close contact. They are very common among school-aged children or children attending child care, where they spread through direct hair-to-hair contact or directly by sharing things like hats, combs, hairbrushes or headphones.

One of the first signs of head lice is an itchy scalp. However, children can have head lice for several weeks with no symptoms. If you think your child has head lice, check their hair for nits right away, then again after one week and after two weeks. Parents are advised to keep their child at home until they have been treated for lice. Students may only return to school if they are “nit-free.” If your child has live lice, ensure that they avoid head-to-head contact with other children until the lice are gone. Children should not share combs, hairbrushes, caps, hats or hair ornaments. You should also check all family members for head lice. Be sensitive to your child’s feelings and let them know that having head lice does not mean they are not clean.

Head lice can be treated with the following approved insecticides:

- pyrethrin (found in R&C Shampoo + Conditioner)
- permethrin (Nix Creme Rinse or Kwellada-P Creme Rinse)
- lindane (Hexit Shampoo or PMS-Lindane Shampoo).

**PARENT CONFERENCE**

The Peel District School Board is hosting its annual parent conference, co-presented by the Peel Elementary Teachers’ Local, on Saturday, March 24, 2018, at Mississauga Secondary School in Mississauga. The conference will focus on Empowering Modern Learners. Parents will have the opportunity to attend workshops on topics, including numeracy, literacy, special education, technology and science. This free learning event is open to Peel parents of students at all grade levels.

Our keynote presentation will be delivered by Dwayne Matthews, a life and education strategist, who converges and shares knowledge on modern learning, disruptive technology, and the evolution of work. Dwayne will present *Learning in the 21st century: Why it's different, why it matters and how to help children thrive in a rapidly evolving digital world.*

Registration opens Feb. 5, 2018
For more information, visit [www.peelschools.org/parents/conference](http://www.peelschools.org/parents/conference).
## Celebrating Faith and Culture

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