

Dickens Annex Newsletter – March, 2019

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Important Dates to Remember:

- **March 7th** Hop and Nosh @ 6:30 pm
- **March 10th** Daylight Saving: Spring forward
- **March 11-14th** Scholastic Book Fair
- **March 13th** **Early Dismissal @ 2 pm**
- March 13th Student-Led Parent Conferences
- **March 14th** **Early Dismissal @ 2 pm**
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- March 15th Fieldtrip: Elephant and Piggie performance
- **March 15th** **Last day of school before Spring Break**
- **March 18-29th** **Spring Break**
- **April 1st** **First day back at school**



Student-Led Parent Conferences

Notices were sent out last Friday about our **Student -Led Parent Conferences on March 13 and 14th**. These are valuable times for you to see and hear about your child's progress at school. We ask that you be on time for your scheduled meeting and respect the closing time of 7 pm. In addition, if you are not able to make one of times listed, please contact your child's classroom teacher to make alternative arrangements.

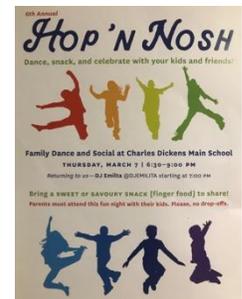


Hot Lunch Survey

Thank you to those who took the time to respond to the **Hot Lunch survey** that was sent out in early February. **New York Foods Ltd** will look at increasing their menu to include a little more variety over the next few months. We will continue to honor our contract with this food provider for the remainder of the school year and re-evaluate their service on a year-by-year basis.

Hop and Nosh

Be sure to mark your calendars for the annual Hop and Nosh, family dance and social, that will take place on **March 7th from 6:30 – 9:00 pm** and Dickens Elementary (main school). This is a great way to connect with other families in the community. Bring a sweet or savoury snack (finger food) to share. Parents must attend this fun night with their children. Please no drop offs.



Before and After School Supervision

We work hard to ensure that you children are safe every day. There is school supervision before school from 8:40 – 8:55 am in the undercover area. Please make sure your child arrives on time and is ready to start school at 9:00 am.



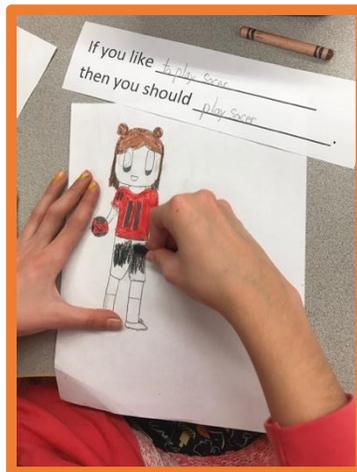
In addition, we have a teacher on supervision every day after school from 3:00 – 3:20 pm. Children are to remain on the blacktop area with the supervising teacher until they are safely picked up. If an adult has not made it to school by 3:20, your child will be taken inside to wait in the office until you arrive. Please let the office know if you are running late.

Pink Day - Group Language

February 27 was Pink Shirt day, a day dedicated to raising awareness of the importance of speaking up when someone is being treated unkindly or unfairly. In Group Language, we talked about how sometimes people are teased for not following the “rules” for being a girl or a boy. Like the boy who was teased for wearing a pink shirt, until the students who began Pink Day stood up for that boy. Or, like the boy in the picture book we shared who was teased for loving ballet, until people learned to appreciate his skills. Our students made new “rules” for being a kid which are now on display.



“If you like to sing, then you should sing”



“If you like to cook, then you should cook”

“If you like to wear pink, then you should wear pink”



“If you like to play rugby, they you should play rugby”