

EVERGREEN ECHO

SOARING TO GREATER HEIGHTS

EVERGREEN IN THE COMMUNITY

Thank you to the grade 8 students and Parent Fundraising Committee for hosting an incredible spaghetti dinner! All proceeds will be donated to the grade 8 Toronto trip fund.

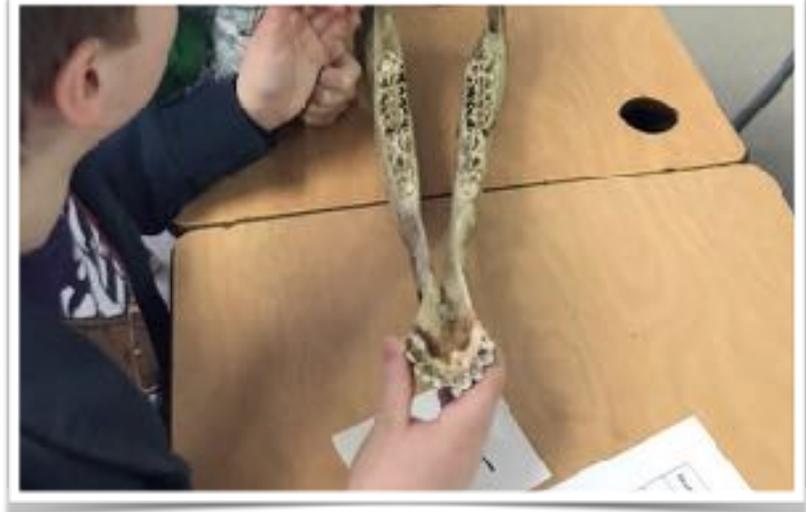
We thank April Marshall for planning, preparing and hosting this event. We thank all grade 8 parents who volunteered their time. We also thank the following community partners for their generous donations

Dinner Donations

- Georgian Bay Software
- Grade 8 parents
- Township of Perry (hall use)
- Hyundai of Muskoka
- Edmond's GM Huntsville
- Hope's Foodland
- Roy Macintosh

Silent Auction and Bake Sale

- Fetterley's Gas
- Marshall Lumber
- Gilroy's Tire
- Pine Hill Scrap and Metal
- Marshall Construction
- Kirk's Gas
- David Ferrante
- Susan Metland
- Sarah Kastor
- Burk's Falls Tim Horton's
- The Flower Garden
- Brian Culp
- Evelyn Dault
- Calhoun's Country Café
- Sarah's 31 Bags
- Home Depot Huntsville
- Mike O'Brien
- Erin Bido
- Julie Locke
- Cas Glass - Beyond Obstacles
- Burk's Falls Home Hardware
- Keith Larocque
- Marshall's Well Drilling
- Jason Fraser
- Winning Techniques
- Canadian Tire Huntsville



Principal's Message



January has come to an end, and with it we hope some of the fluctuating winter weather. Although we had many inclement weather days, we continued our learning here at Evergreen, diving into writing, open math explorations, cross-curricular inquiry and cross-country skiing for physical education (when the weather was warm enough), as well as interactive learning through a visit from the Georgian Bay Biosphere (see the above photo).

Looking ahead to February, we have many exciting upcoming learning and sporting events. Our cross-country ski team will represent Evergreen in the Muskoka Elementary School races on February 5th, and our intermediate basketball teams take to the courts on February 6th. Primary and Junior/Intermediate electives begin this month, and we welcome Science North for coding workshops in some of our classrooms. Term 1 report cards also come home on February 20th.

Have a wonderful February!

Pamela Marshall Gray, Principal

KEEPING OUR EAGLES SAFE

Safe Arrivals

Help us keep your child safe. Please call the Safe Arrivals phone line when your child is absent: **(705) 636-9023**. A message can be left 24 hours at this number.

Spotlight: One Kids Place

One Kids Place works collaborative with families, schools and other partners to help make a difference in the lives of children and youth with special needs in the Districts of Muskoka, Nipissing, and Parry Sound.

They offer a variety of interdisciplinary supports, services, and therapy, including occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, the Ontario Autism Program, social work, summer camp opportunities, and many more services to help kids reach their full potential and create a place of belonging in our communities.

You can reach One Kids Place online at www.onekidsplace.ca or by telephone at 705-789-9985 (Muskoka) or 705-476-5437 (North Bay).

Celebration of Learning at Evergreen!

Daily Math Workshop

During our daily math workshops, students think, talk and problem solve as young mathematicians.

Math workshop begins with a number talk or number string, specifically designed to build number sense and flexibility in student thinking. Students then engage in math investigations or worthwhile tasks that are relevant to them as learners and which reflect their life experiences or age-appropriate interests. During these investigations, tasks, and purposeful practice, the teacher confers with individual students, or provides small group instruction.

Math workshop includes a time of consolidation, which highlights student learning, visual representations, strategies, and mathematical processes centred around the big ideas of math learning.

During a recent bus cancellation day, students grades 5 to 8 worked together to problem solve an open fraction question.

The open nature of the problem promoted rich dialogue between the students, and necessitated that they build their math knowledge together in a collaborative manner.



Kindergarten Registration

For anyone in our area with children born in 2015:

Please come to Evergreen Heights Education Centre to register your child for Early Learning Kindergarten (ELK) Fall 2019! We will be holding events as the year progresses in order to ensure a smooth transition for both you and your child to our school. Please come see us and let's get started!

Sports, Electives and Outdoor Education at Evergreen

Junior Volleyball

Grades 5 and 6 students participated in both competitive and non-competitive volleyball tournaments during the month of January.

Evergreen Eagles demonstrated their skill, ability, and excellent sportsmanship on and off the court as they volleyed, bumped, and served. Both teams practiced with determination at Evergreen and their hard work paid off on tournament day. Congratulations, Eagles!



Cross-country ski Club

The cross-country ski club is well underway. Grades 4 to 8 students ski during the second recess break on days 2 and 5. Some of those students have joined the cross-country ski team, and will participate in the Muskoka Elementary Ski Race on February 5th at Arrowhead.

Those students who wish to use their own cross-country ski equipment are welcome to do so. Please ensure that all personal equipment is well marked with your child's name, and that you drop it off at the school as it cannot be transported on the school bus.

Intermediate Basketball

Intermediate Basketball begins this month with a mini-tournament in the Evergreen gymnasium on February 6th. Students will play again at Land of Lakes Public School on February 25th, with their final tournament being held on March 7th at AHSS.

Winter Electives

Winter electives are approaching! Students in ELK-grade 3 will go skating at the Burk's Falls Arena. Grades 4-8 students will have the option to choose from outdoor activities at Tawingo Outdoor Education Centre or remaining at the school and participating in arts activities. A letter with more information will be coming home within the next two weeks.

Primary Outdoor Education Day

On Friday, February 15th, students in ELK to the grades 2/3 class will participate in an Outdoor Education day between 9:00 a.m. and 12:25 p.m. Students will need to come dressed ready to be outside for the day!

FROM YOUR PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL (P.A.C.)

The next P.A.C. meeting will be held on February 12th at 7:00 p.m. You can always reach us by email at evergreenparentcouncil@gmail.com or visit us on our Facebook page!