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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Families,

February has flown by at Park! It has been great to be back at school with all our students and staff. Students have been engaged in great learning. We celebrated Pink Shirt Day (Feb. 24th), to stand up for anti-bullying. Students and staff looked great in their pink! At Park, we promote the assertive response to bullying. Please contact me if you would like more information/support on anti-bullying.

I am very thankful for the excellent staff at Park. They have demonstrated tremendous dedication and care to our students, community and each other. Well done!

Have a wonderful March! Our Teams Meeting Student of the Month Assembly for March is on Friday, March 26th, 9:30 am. A reminder that our normal March Break has been pushed to April 12th-April 16th.

Take care!

Yours truly,

Mr. Shad



March Virtual School Council Meeting

EVERYONE IS
WELCOME!

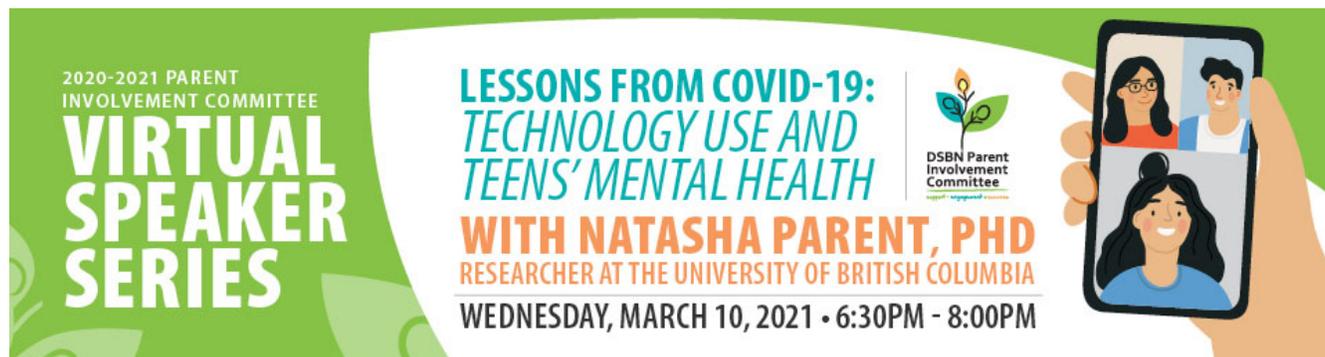
We had a great turn out for our virtual School Council Meeting on Tuesday, February 23rd. Thanks to everyone who participated. Our beautiful urns have held up wonderfully over the winter. We look forward to re-planting them when the weather warms up. Stay tuned for a Park Spirit Wear order, coming out soon! Please send me an email request if you would like to join our March meeting (date to be determined)

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The Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) is excited for March. The committee has a packed month, with 3 different presentations to look forward to in the PIC Virtual Speaker Series.

PIC kicks off March with Natasha Parent, a doctorate researcher from University of British Columbia, on Wednesday, March 10th at 6:30p.m. Natasha will explore how COVID-19 has impacted teens mental health, while highlighting the role of technology use and screen time in fostering their feelings of connection to others. Applying a developmental framework, we will discuss how using technology can help teens meet their social goals and contribute to their overall wellbeing, while also touching on how to identify those who may be at risk. In addition, this webinar will feature some useful tips on how to help teens navigate their screen time and discuss some of the cutting-edge work that's currently being done in the field.



Please go to <https://www.dsbm.org/pic/speakerseries.html> to register for this informative webinar. Stay tuned for upcoming presentations later in March!

**If your child was born in 2017,
or turns 4 in 2021, then they are
ready for Kindergarten!**

Go To: <https://www.dsbm.org/earlylearners/kickstart>





In alignment with Ontario's Education Equity Plan, the purpose of the student census survey is to better understand our students' identities as well as their experiences inside and outside of school.

The results will be used to inform board and school improvement planning to:

- identify, eliminate, and respond to systemic barriers to student success,
- create more equitable and inclusive school environments, and,
- further support student achievement and well-being in targeted and intentional ways

K-6 Parents/families to complete online at home April 6 to 30.