

# THE BEACON

## February 2019

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January ended with extremely cold temperatures but with our Lunch Time activities, students were able to enjoy some fun! Students can choose from yoga, lego club, games club, choir, and drama club. We thank our parent volunteers for assisting us with these clubs!

Over 100 ROARY's have been awarded to Beacon Hill School students so far this year! When students demonstrate one of the 7 Leader in Me habits or have put in extra effort or support in their classroom, their teacher may recognize them with a ROARY. The next time you visit our school, please have a look at our ROARY bulletin board.

You may hear radio advertisements for Beacon Hill School on 93.3 Country- Addison in Grade 6 did a great job!

Look for information on our ECDP & Kindergarten Open Houses in this edition of The Beacon!

Our Announcements Leaders have been doing a great job with our morning news!

As always, please give our school a call if you have any questions or need information.

Mrs. Nancy Ball, Principal



# Leader in Me

## Leadership Roles at Home By: Dr. John and Jane Covey

Each month brings opportunities for academic growth and growth in all areas of development. Although children must be knowledgeable when they graduate, they must also be healthy, engaged, responsible, and caring people. One of the best ways to help your child realize his or her worth and leadership potential is to provide an opportunity to lead.

Most Leader in Me Schools offer student leadership roles as a way to teach:

- Responsibility
- Leadership
- Contribution

Leadership roles can also be used at home. To begin:

1. Talk with your child about the leadership role he or she might be interested in at home.
2. Discuss why he or she is interested in the role. Ask what leadership qualities your child has that will help. Ask how he or she will handle homework or other commitments with this new-role responsibility.
3. Together, discuss, write, and sign the paper detailing the leadership behavior and expectations of the role. Give your child a week or so to adjust and then discuss how it's going.

This may open a conversation on how to handle things that are too easy or too difficult. Express appreciation and celebrate success!

**Student for a Day - Gr 6 at Composite High School -**

By: Aaliyah, Addison, Eve & Hailey



On Tuesday January 29, 2019, the Grade 6 class of Beacon Hill School, and two other schools, got to go visit Composite High. Some kids who attended Composite took groups of kids in grade 6 on a little tour through the school. We also did all types of activities like, make ice cream rolls in Culinary. In Mechanics, we learned how to replace a tire, and some kids got to record a song in the music room. We also got to use watercolours in Art class.

“What was your favorite thing today?” Ms. Legge asked the kids.

“It was the best day ever!” said James.

“My favorite part was when we carved our names into a wooden plaque.”

Caden said, “It was fun to be a Mechanic for a day. It was also cool that I got to see my brother there.”

At lunch time, we got to have pizza! They had a DJ and the boys were dancing on the gym floor. We had a great first experience at Composite High School.

## Vista Ridge Skiing

The students in grades 4-6 have had two, totally awesome ski days at Vista Ridge this past month! Both days they were lucky enough to have sunny and crisp weather out on the hill. Students have been thrilled for the opportunity to learn from their caring and supportive instructors and a few beginner students even surprised themselves by making it down the “big” hills a few times! Everyone can’t wait to go back for the third day next week, if the weather permits! Fingers crossed!





## Early Childhood Development Program (ECDP)

Language Enriched Play  
A Safe & Caring Environment  
Meaningful Experiences  
Physical Activity  
Improved Literacy Skills  
Healthy Living  
FUN!



# Open House

March 7, 2019 5:00-7:00 PM  
March 8, 2019 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Parents can choose any Fort McMurray Public School offering ECDP.

\*Children must be 3 years old on or before December 31, 2018 to enter the program in September.

Beacon Hill Public School Christina  
Gordon Public School (R)  
Dave McNeilly Public School  
Dr. Clark Public School  
École Dickinsfield Public School (FI)  
Fort McMurray Christian School  
Fort McMurray Islamic School

Greely Road Public School  
Thickwood Heights School  
Timberlea Public School  
Walter & Gladys Hill Public School (R)  
Westview Public School

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# Kindergarten

Learning through play  
Building independence  
Problem-solving  
Creativity  
Making friends



## Open House

March 21, 2019 5:00-7:00 PM  
March 22, 2019 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Parents can choose any Fort McMurray Public School offering Kindergarten.  
Children must be 4 years old on or before March 1, 2019 to enter the program in September.

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Gordon Public School (R)  
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## **Science Fair 2018/2019**

This year science fair will be open to Grades 4-6 as it aligns well with their curriculum. The school fair will take place on March 28, 2019 at 9 am. All students in Grades 4-6 are encouraged to enter the fair. Participation is not mandatory. The selected project will go to the Wood Buffalo Regional Science Fair to be held at The Shell Place on April 5th and 6th. The contact person for Science Fair will be Ms. Jeelani. Please email her if you have any questions - [uzma.jeelani@fmprsd.ab.ca](mailto:uzma.jeelani@fmprsd.ab.ca). Check out the website: <http://wbrsf.ca/> for more pertinent information about the fair.

## **Parents Visiting our School**

Parents and guardians - please go to the office to check-in first prior to entering the halls or classrooms. To ensure the safety of all students, you are being reminded to check in/sign in at the office first and speak to Mrs. Saxton.

## **Heating of food procedures**

Kindly note that our microwave policy at Beacon Hill Public School is that staff is not allowed to heat food for students. Please consider sending lunch options that don't require heating. Thank you.

## After School & Lunchtime Extra Curricular Activities Pictures







## Welcome to our School!

Please join the Staff at Beacon Hill P.S. in welcoming Mrs. Haines-Reid who has accepted the Grade 4 full-time teacher position. Ms. Saba Kanwal who has accepted the Kindergarten EA position and Jenith Piesinger who has accepted the day custodian position. Students and staff are very excited to have all of the above become a part of our school community.

## Open house for ECDP/K

Open House for ECDP/K will be held on March 8th and March 22nd. As a result of this - ECDP, Kindergarten and KEEP classes will be cancelled on Friday, March 8th and Friday March 22nd.



## Beacon Hill School 'Bear Wear' Clothing

If you are curious about the 'Bear Wear' sizes, please visit the school office as sample sizes have arrived.



## January Roary Winners



## **Beacon Hill School Council**

All Beacon Hill School parents and guardians are welcome and encouraged to attend the monthly School Council meetings. The meetings are held every second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 in the Community Room. This is a great way to find out what is happening at the school, letting your voice be heard, meeting other Beacon Hill School parents and supporting your child in their education.

Beacon Hill School Council would like to thank the staff for all the amazing after school activities that take place to enhance our children's education experience.

Please join us at the next School Council meeting on Tuesday February 12th at 6:30pm in the community room.

## **Parents Plus Advisory Association**

Hello everybody. We have survived January, the longest, coldest month - YAY! Now, as long as the groundhog doesn't see his shadow, we should have smooth sailing to spring!

I know many of you wonder "What is Parents Plus?". Parents Plus is the parent group that does the fundraising side of things for our school. We fundraise to provide things like Alien Inline, Turkey Day, and the school musical for Beacon Hill School.

I'd like to re-introduce our board executive to you. We are:

Shauna Clarke - Chairperson

Lana Hill - Vice Chairperson

Jenny Ridley - Treasurer

Andrea Popejoy - Secretary

Nola Nippard & Solange Maher - Communications/Volunteer Co-ordinators

Melissa Nicol & Suzy Gerendi - Hot Lunch Co-ordinators

January has been fairly quiet for Parents Plus, but stay tuned for upcoming events and fundraisers.

March hot lunch orders are due February 24th.

Our next meeting date is February 21st at 6:30 in the Community Room. You do not need to be a member of the executive to attend the meetings. All parents/guardians belong to Parents Plus, and all of you are welcome at the meetings. We love hearing new ideas and getting feedback from you. If you cannot make the meetings but have something to share, please e-mail me at [shauleigh@yahoo.ca](mailto:shauleigh@yahoo.ca) and I will bring it forward. By Shauna Clarke



# **Valentine's Family Dance**

**Friday, February 15, 2019**

**Beacon Hill School Gymnasium**

**6-8pm**

**All Beacon Hill Families are Welcome to Attend!!**

**Refreshments \* Door Prizes \* Spotlight Dances \* Photo Booth and More....**





## Calendar of Events

### February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Family Movie Night	2
3	4 Skiing 4-6 Ukulele Robotics	5  Archery	6  Basketball	7  Basketball	8 District Day No school	9 Learning Bridge
10	11  Ukulele Robotics	12  Archery	13  Basketball	14  Basketball	15 Family Valentine's Day Dance	16
17	18 Family Day No school	19 Heritage Park Gr.3  Archery	20 Heritage Park Gr.3	21 Heritage Park Gr.3	22 Heritage Park Gr.3	23 Learning Bridge  Basketball Tourney
24 Hot lunch orders due	25 Winter Break	26 Winter Break	27 Winter Break	28 Winter Break		