

# Evangeline Middle School



## Dear Parents/ Guardians:

Happy Spring! As we gradually emerge from a winter that decided to have a late second wind we are very pleased to welcome and *welcome back* our student interns from Acadia University. We are fortunate to have 7 interns working with us this term, they are:

Interns	Teacher
Megan Cataford	Erin Gaudet
Nick Kaizer	Joann Greenough
Kathleen MacPhee	Jan Routledge
Jonathan Murphy	Rebecca Johnson
Robyn Peters	Tim Robertson
Anjuli Ripley	Al King
Samantha White	Freda Larade

Student teachers bring with them an energy and enthusiasm that is contagious and spreads throughout the building. Like the robins and the daffodils they herald the coming of spring and the beginning of the final term.

As always there has been a lot going on here at EMS and there is plenty more to come. Since the break, EMS students have participated in the regional science fair and taken a trip to NSCC Ivany Campus to take part in the Skills Competition. Last week we were fortunate to be able to host musician &

motivational speaker Mitch Dorge, an opportunity generously afforded us by The Cooperators and our local Rotary Club. Big thanks to Andrew White of The Cooperators and Greg White of Rotary for helping us pull this fantastic opportunity & experience together. This week we hosted Gerald Gloade, renowned artist and member of the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq. I continue to be proud of all of our students for their growing social awareness and their desire to make a difference. Finally, it was great to see everyone out for Student Led Conferences. It is inspiring to see students and their parents having positive sharing experiences and I always value the chance to chat with you all as we emerge from winter hibernation.

On the horizon we have our last batch of trip fundraisers. We will have ticket sales on a Mama Mia Halifax Weekend Extravaganza, a paint night in May and another 50/50 draw to finish off our major efforts. We are excited to be able to extend these various trip opportunities to our students and are looking forward to sharing those experiences with them.

Don't blink; this next part flies by quickly.

Matt Butler

Because we have been having regular and well-attended trip fundraising meetings we have had fewer home and school meetings. When we have received our staffing information and I have had the opportunity to do some work on next year's configuration I will set a meeting and share this information with the community.

## Children of Eden

Music and colour fill the air as the St. Joseph's Stage Prophets present *Children of Eden* in Wolfville. Stage Prophets 16<sup>th</sup> production brings this family-friendly storyline to life with universal themes and catchy music that has been performed by thousands of schools and theatre groups.

*Children of Eden* is a touching musical about parents and children. The show focuses on the challenges of making choices, forgiveness, letting go and the obvious good and evil that live within all of us. It's an inspiring story through music, costumes, acting and magnificent life-sized animal puppets. The production features cast from the Annapolis Valley and Halifax, many whom are returning to the stage from last year's production of "Anne & Gilbert"

There will be six performances of *Children of Eden* taking place from May 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> at Festival Theatre in Wolfville. Nightly performances start at 7pm with 1:30pm matinees on May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are

**PTSA - TBA**

\$20 and available at the following locations:  
Occasions Gifts and Décor,  
Kentville  
Box of Delights, Wolfville  
Acadia Box Office  
902-542-5500

### **Dates to Remember**

April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Grade 7 Immunization
April 27 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 7 Immunization (If not finished on 23 <sup>rd</sup> )
May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Early Dismissal 11:45am
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Newsletter
May 21 <sup>st</sup>	Victoria Day, no school
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6 Orientation (No School for this year's Grade 6 classes this day)
May 28 <sup>th</sup>	Grade 6 Parent Orientation 7pm (For next year's Grade 6's)