

F.J. Rutland Review

Mr. S. Enns, Principal

Dear Parents,

Term 2 Reports are fresh off the FJ Rutland Press and have recently gone home with your child. Please take some time to review this important summative report of your child's academic and social performance.

In particular, pay close attention to the learning skills comments and marks. Typically,



students who demonstrate good work habits and social skills also do well academically. One important learning skill is goal setting. We encourage our students to set goals each term in order to focus on a specific area for improvement.

Consistent, positive support from both home and school will help children achieve dramatic results!

Together, we will make a difference for our students!

School Council



Your School Council is excited to offer another community event – A Family Pot

Luck Dinner for Tuesday, April 27 at River View. We will be celebrating our rich multicultural heritage with a musical presentation from our River View students and great food from our kitchens. More information about this fun family evening will be sent home during the week of April 12.

Welcome Miss Campbell

We are excited to have Miss Campbell back on the F.J. Rutland staff. Miss Campbell will be taking over the duties for Miss Kimpinski for the remainder of this school year as she is off for her maternity leave.

Wonderful Extracurricular Activities...

Chess Club

Congratulations to this year's chess club for an exciting season. Over twenty-five players from various grades attended regularly during the second nutrition break to play chess. Chess is a game that develops strategy and problem-solving skills while encouraging sportsmanship with a hand shake at the end of each game. Fourteen of our students were invited to the Regional Chess Tournament held at Prince Philip School to compete with the top players from six other schools. The following students are commended for representing our school proudly at this tournament: James McGaw, A.J. Kelly, Nikki Mathes, Benny Kelly, Jacob Manels,

Quinn Moody, Luke King, Kyle Hewitt, Kennedy Knezevich, Aaron Millward, Calum Holt, Destin Kirby, Braden Sargeson and Nick Henry. Thank you to parents who volunteered to drive these chess students to and from the tournament.

Further congratulations go out to James, Benny and Kyle who received the most points in their "pool" at the tournament. They were each awarded a medallion and moved on to the next level, the DSBN Chess Tournament held on Thursday, April 1. We thank Ms Lenc for all of her hard work training our players to improve their skills.

Connect Four Club

We thank student teachers Mr. Lingard, Mr. Pellerin and Mr. Pellingrini, for running a very fun club for our students who enjoy matching their skills against other students. The game "Connect 4" teaches students to become better problem solvers and to utilize a variety of strategies.

Rutland Gives Back Club

Our students are giving back to our school community through this fun and exciting new club that has been started by our student teachers: Mrs. Thorpe, Miss Pierre, Miss Flett, Miss Johnson, and Mr. Pellerin. Members of this club meet to talk about ideas that will improve our school community. They have already completed some projects and they have an excellent display in the student stairwell.

Sewing Club

Miss Cressman is having a lot of fun with the members in the sewing club as they learn to develop this important skill. Members are busy creating their own pencil case as a culminating project.

Computer Club

Mr. Sirett has been running a fun computer club for students who would like to learn more about designing things such as a websites and learning about different software programs. The Club continues to be a popular choice for our technologically engaged students!

Recycling Team

Our dedicated group of recyclers continues to do an awesome job of looking after both paper and container recycling. Their efforts are greatly appreciated! We can all do our part by helping to support their efforts. Well Done Recycling Team!

Athletics

Our Junior Boys and Girls basketball teams are off to a positive start to their seasons. We thank our boys' coach Mr. Shad; and our girls' coaches Coach Jay and Coach Paul who have demonstrated a terrific level of dedication. Students are working hard to learn new skills and the rules of the game while emphasizing the importance of good sportsmanship and teamwork.

Thank you to our parents who support our students by volunteer driving and cheering in the stands!

The Fun Fair is Coming!

Mark **June 10th** on your calendars now! Mrs. Musgrave and Miss Lenc are planning F.J. Rutland's fourth annual family fun fair. Our fun fair will run from 4pm to 7:30pm. We're going to have great raffles, a huge dunk tank, featuring Mr. Enns and Mr. Gienow, giant inflatables, fun games with cool prizes, cotton candy, snow cones....We'll be sending home information sheets shortly requesting parent volunteers and baked goods for our bake sale that night. Stay tuned!

Grade 8 Ottawa Trip Update

Mrs. Flachs and the intermediate division have done a wonderful job of coordinating this fun trip that has been scheduled for April 14 to 16. Thanks to Mrs. Flachs, students have been provided with fund raising opportunities to help pay down the cost of the trip. Recently, students who are going on this trip brought home a final itinerary and other pertinent information.

Students of the Month

Each month, the staff at FJ Rutland takes time to recognize students who demonstrate excellence in a particular area. Our last recognition assembly was held on the March 31. Recipients for the month of March are as follows: Rielly Cooper, John

Cousineau, Jakeim Currie, Megan Pelletier, Brandon Harper, Breezanne Sloan, A.J. Kelly, Harry Grewal, Zach Toth, Rosie Prior, Amy Wheeler, Brandon Williamson, Justin Vandeneede, Kris Williams, Gus Lagerquist, D.J. Manwaring, William Todd, and Tyler Nemeth.

Stamford Connections

Stamford students continue to do a lot of volunteer work at our school. So far this year, we have had over thirty students visit our school to help with school beautification and our student activities.

Riding Bikes to School

Now that the nicer weather is here to stay we see that several students are choosing to ride their bikes. We strongly urge all parents to have their children wear a proper helmet. All bikes should be secured to the bike stand with a reliable lock, as this area is not supervised while classes are in session. Students have done an excellent job of remembering to walk their bikes once they arrive on school property.

Absences / Lates

Parents are reminded to call the school prior to 8:40am if your son/daughter will be absent or has an appointment first thing in the morning!

Newsletter Draw

Congratulations to our lucky winners of our March Newsletter draw. Don't forget to return the slip for April's draw.

NEWSLETTER DRAW:

Please sign and return this section to indicate that you have read the *F.J. Rutland Review*. Three returned slips will be chosen randomly. Those students will win a free hot lunch!

The _____ family has read the *F.J. Rutland Review*

Student(s) Names

Teacher

Parent Signature: _____

Please return this slip by Friday, April 9th, 2010