



MAPLE LEAFLET

Maple Leaf International School

A Canadian International Program

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

February 27-1st March	Carnival and Ash Wed.-School closed
March 3rd	Secondary Month End Reports
March 6-10th	Inspector's Visit
March 8th	PTA Executive Meeting
March 14th	Parent Rep Meeting-8:00 a.m.
March 17th	Elementary Report Cards
March 29th	Ontario Sec. School Literacy Test
March 30th	Holiday
April 3rd	Secondary Midterm Reports



TIPS

Wrap celery in aluminum foil when putting in the refrigerator and it will keep for weeks.

Candles will last a lot longer if placed in the freezer for at least 3 hours prior to burning.

INSPECTOR'S VISIT

MARCH 06-10, 2006

As an Ontario Secondary School we are inspected to ensure that our programs meet the requirements of the Ministry of Education of Ontario, Canada. The inspector, June Merkley, will be reviewing school policies, record keeping and inspecting the teachers' curriculum planning, classroom instruction and assessment of student work. We are confident we are in good shape and look forward to sharing our programs with the inspector. With a successful inspection report, the school is granted the authority to grant Ontario Secondary School Credits and the Ontario Secondary School Diploma upon a student's graduation.

COMMUNICATIONS

Parents are encouraged to speak directly to the teacher if you have questions or concerns about the classroom program or your child's progress. Teachers are more than willing to spend the time needed to help you fully understand their program. You may call the school and leave a message or ask the teacher to call to arrange a convenient time to meet. If you feel that your concerns are not addressed to your satisfaction, we invite you to take the next step, which is to speak to the Principal or Vice Principal. It is our goal as educators to work closely with parents to provide the best educational experience possible for each student.

Ants, Ants, Ants. Draw a line of chalk wherever ants tend to march. They won't cross the line.

Crayon marks on walls? This worked wonderfully! A damp rag, dipped in baking soda. Comes off with little effort.

SCHOOL FEES

If your school fees are being paid late, please send in a note to the account's department.

"Life affords no greater responsibility, no greater privilege, than the raising of the next generation."

ONTARIO SECONDARY SCHOOL LITERACY TEST

On March 29th all our grade 10 students will be writing the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test. As well, any students who have joined Maple Leaf in grade 11 or 12 this year will also write this test. It is one of the requirements for graduation from an Ontario Secondary School.

The purpose of the [Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test](#) (OSSLT) is to ensure that students

have acquired the essential reading and writing skills that apply to all subject areas in the provincial curriculum up to the end of Grade 9. All students in public and private schools who are working toward an Ontario Secondary School Diploma are required to write the OSSLT in Grade 10.

During Semester On, our grade 10 teachers designed, instructed and assessed practice exercises with their classes. We have been able to identify those grade 10 students who require additional preparation for success in this test. Grade 11 and 12 students who need to do the test will be provided practice during March to ensure that they are ready to be successful. The EQAO website at www.eqao.com has further information for parents and students and practice test items for the students.

PTA KORNER Juliette Petit



THANKS TO YOU ALL. All those who cooked, all who ate, and all those who put a hand into the pot in one way or another. The feedback has been quite positive and we have managed to raise in excess of \$40,000.00. This would be a generous addition to our continued financial support for the improvement of our library. We are currently looking into accessing resource publications online. We think it may be a more financially sound way of keeping our information current.

On a more serious note, parents are expressing concern at the increasing numbers of misdemeanors occurring at our main campus. Come on parents, talk to your kids. Remember we also have to teach. Tell them to respect what is not theirs. To respect their surroundings.

The PTA thought that the kids could use a microwave to warm up their lunch, but unfortunately it was being used as a laboratory, so we definitely needed to rethink the arrangements. We are placing the microwaves in secured cages for student to be used at lunch time.

This year's the EMA—Environmental Management Authority—calendar, features illustrations and drawings, all of which were done by the students of Maple Leaf. There's one on display in the reception area. Have a look.

It's Carnival time. No long holiday like last year I'm afraid. Good luck to those participating in our Calypso Competition. I know the kids at the Junior Campus will have a great time with their jump up. Be safe. Enjoy.



LIBRARY NEWS

Just a reminder that JK to Grade 2 are allowed to borrow one library book at a time. Grade 3 - 8 are allowed 2 books and Grade 9-12 are allowed 3 books. When you are finished reading your book you can return it to the library for another one, at any time during the day in school hours. You do not have to hold the book until your next library period.

