# **Coronation PS Newsletter #16**



# Week of January 6th – 10th

Coronation's 5A's - Academics, Athletics, Arts, Attitude and Allyship

We value We	-BEING LEADERSHIP	<b>EQUITY</b>	ENGAGEMENT	INNOVATION
	value We value	We value	We value	We value
	ou feel. how you grow.	who you are.	your involvement.	forward thinking.

#### Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> – Day 2

-Happy New Year and welcome back to all of our students and families

-grade 8's going to Eastdale – a reminder of the tour for grade 8's going to Eastdale that will take place tomorrow – parents please send back permission forms or a written note indicating that your child is allowed to attend tomorrow

-students begin 5 Days of Well Being in their classrooms – community circles, discussions, journal reflections and activities

#### Tuesday, January 7th – Day 3

-5 Days of Well Being cont'd
-Grade 8's going to Eastdale CVI – tour today from 12:00-2:45 p.m. (permission forms needed)
-O'Neill at our school today to do a sample grade 9 English lesson for our grade 8's attending O'Neill
-Wok box hot lunch today (order through healthy hunger) – www.healthyhunger.ca

Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> – Day 4 -5 Days of Well Being cont'd



#### Thursday, January 9<sup>th</sup> – Day 5

-5 Days of Well Being cont'd -hotdog lunch today (order through healthy hunger) – <u>www.healthyhunger.ca</u> -grade 8 Parents information evening at Eastdale CVI (for those students attending Eastdale) – 6:15 p.m.- 8:00 p.m. – learn more about course selections and career planning with staff at Eastdale -SCC meeting today at 6:30 p.m. – school library

#### Friday, January 10th- Day 1

-5 Days of Well Being cont'd -booster juice today (order through healthy hunger) – <u>www.healthyhunger.ca</u>

Important Dates for January (these are all posted on our newly designed website):

https://coronation.ddsb.ca/en/index.aspx

- a) Follow us on Twitter or Instagram: @CoronationPS for updates on student learning
- b) O'Neill CVI Grade 8 Parent Information Evening (for parents of grade 8 students attending O'Neill) – January 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. (O'Neill Auditorium)
- c) Junior Kindergarten Registration begins on January 13<sup>th</sup> online

## **Information Items**



#### **Kindergarten Registration**

Junior Kindergarten registration begins on January 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. The first portion of the registration is done online and then individual meetings by our administrative staff to gather all of the necessary documentation needed to complete the registration.

#### **Reporting Student Absences**

A reminder to families that when reporting student absences, please follow the procedures below:

You can report an absence by: • Calling 1-844-350-2646 • Online or on your smartphone through the SchoolMessenger app

#### Create a SchoolMessenger account

To create your account:
1. Go to the SchoolMessenger website;
2. Use the same email address we have on record for you (use the Parent Portal if you're not sure what contact information we have or to update it);
3. Create a password; and
4. Check your email and verify your account.

#### **School Parking Lot**

We have very few parking spaces for staff, **NO PARKING** in the school parking lot but instead drop off students at our school kiss n ride or walk your child to school. Our student and staff safety is important to us.

#### Signing out Your Child and After School Arrangements

At the end of the day, the office is extremely busy. If your child must be signed out early for an appointment, please sign them <u>out before 3:30 p.m.</u> We will **NOT** be signing out students after 3:30 p.m. If you need to communicate special pick up arrangements with your child's teacher, please write a note in your child's agenda for the teacher or call the school before noon. It is not possible for our



office staff to communicate all the special arrangements with each teacher at the end of the day. It is also very disruptive to classes.

#### **Inclement Weather – Bus Cancellations**

Please refer to the Durham Transportation website for any updates on bus cancellations: <u>https://www.dsts.on.ca/inclement-weather</u>

#### Kiss N Ride and Yard Duty Supervision (before school)

Thank you to all our parents who are using our Kiss N Ride. It continues to flow safely when families wait for school staff to assist your child out of your vehicle. A reminder that our Kiss N Ride and school yard do not have anybody on duty until 8:55 a.m. It is best to drop your child off between **8:55-9:10 a.m**. in the morning.

#### **Music News**

We're looking forward to great things for our Music students in 2020!

First, good luck to our Grade 8 students who will be auditioning to O'Neill's Performing Arts Program later this month. Remember to schedule extra-help sessions with Mrs. Cameron as you prepare your scales & audition repertoire.

Thank you to all of our students for their outstanding involvement in our choirs, bands, and ensembles throughout the first part of our school year. Many of our choirs & ensembles will be taking a break as we head into the New Year. Stay tuned for an invitation to a "thank you & celebration" in the Music Room for all students in the coming weeks (notice to be sent home).

Attention all visual artists in Grades 4-8! Did you know that you can help to create our promotional poster for our musical production of "The Lion King Jr."? Info and criteria have been posted in all Junior & Intermediate classrooms, as well as in "The Lion King" Google Classroom. Posters are due to Mrs. Cameron by Friday, January 10, 2020.

Lastly, our preparations for "The Lion King Jr." will be in full swing throughout the month of January. Students should check the bulletin board outside the Music Room, listen to announcements, and read posts in the Google Classroom for updates in regard to schedules being created. Our Chorus will continue to rehearse on Thursdays at lunch recess. There will also be scheduled times for cast member rehearsals, set & costume design / creation, and behind-the-scenes / tech crew meetings. It's going to be a busy time, but we know that the involvement of our students will make for a successful production. So get ready and save the date - April 15 & 16, 2020!

### **Equity - January**





#### January is Tamil Heritage Month

On June 12, 2012, the Legislative Assembly of Ontario had its first reading of Bill 111, an Act to proclaim the month of January Tamil Heritage Month. People of Tamil heritage have migrated to Ontario since the 1940s. Tamil Canadians have overcome obstacles while making significant contributions to Ontario's social, economic, political and cultural tapestry. Tamil Heritage Month presents an opportunity to reinforce the important history and contributions of Canadians of Tamil heritage. The month of January was chosen because the first month of the Tamil calendar – *Thai* begins in January. This month is also significant as Tamil Canadians recognize many cultural and artistic observances including the Tamil Harvest Festival – *Thai Pongal*.

#### January 15 – Birthday of Martin Luther King Jr.

The Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a Baptist minister and political activist who is arguably the most famous leader of the American Civil Rights Movement. King was named Man of the Year by Time Magazine in 1963, and won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964—then the youngest man ever to have received the award. He turned over the Nobel Prize money to further the Civil Rights Movement. King was assassinated in 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee, where he had planned to lead a march in sympathy with striking garbage workers. It was only 9 years later, in 1977, when he was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Jimmy Carter. In the United States, Martin Luther King Jr. Day is observed on the third Monday of January each year. The struggle to have this day recognized as a federal holiday involved Stevie Wonder's song "Happy Birthday," and a petition with 6 million signatures—the largest petition in US history. The day was observed first in 1986, and was finally observed in all states in 2000. For his promotion of non-violence and racial equality, King is considered a peacemaker and martyr by many people around the world.

#### January 15 - Martin Luther King Day

The idea of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as a holiday was promoted by labor unions in contract negotiations. After King's death, U.S. Representative John Conyers and U.S. Senator Edward Brooke introduced a bill in Congress to make King's birthday a national holiday. The bill first came to a vote in the U.S. House of Representatives in 1979. However, it fell five votes short of "My disability exists not because I use a wheelchair, but because the broader environment isn't accessible." Stella Youn the number needed for passage. Two of the main arguments mentioned by opponents were that a paid holiday for federal employees would be too expensive, and that a holiday to honor a private citizen would be contrary to longstanding tradition (King had never held public office). Only two other figures have national holidays in the U.S. honoring them: George Washington and Christopher Columbus.

#### January 15-18 Thai Pongal

In India, the holiday stretches across four full days, but in Sri Lanka, most only celebrate it for one or two days. Thai Pongal falls on the first day of the month of Thai on the Tamil traditional calendar, which normally lands in somewhere between January 13th and 16th on the Western calendar. The festival, which involves feasting, visiting relatives, and giving out gifts, is one of the most cherished of all Tamil holidays and has been celebrated for at least 1,000 years.

### **Success –** student practice questions

#### **Primary Question**

Three students make a game of pulling a tile from a bag.

- Raven wins if a tile with an R on it is pulled.
- Gina wins if a tile with a G on it is pulled.
- Bella wins if a tile with a B on it is pulled.

#### Here are 12 tiles for the bag.

G	G		В

Label the remaining tiles with an R, a G or a B so that the game is fair.

If there were only 7 tiles, could the game still be fair for the three students? Justify your answer.

Set high expectations and provide support to ensure all the statements of the statement of

#### Junior/Intermediate Question

The values of four points are given.



Plot and label these points on the number line.



Draw and label Point E on the number line so that it is between Point C and Point D.

What is the value of Point E?

### Innovation – Internet Safety Resources for Families



-guide: Be Internet Awesome – a Guide for Families

-Link to resources for families - https://beinternetawesome.withgoogle.com/en\_us/families