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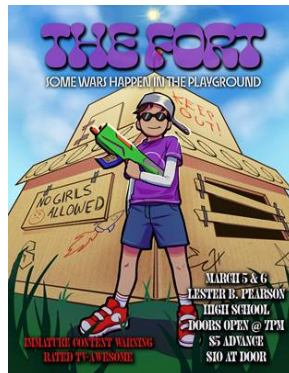
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Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – March 3, 2024

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

In this issue I wanted to make special note of thanks and appreciation to Ms. Cathy Gordon. She has been the first person you see at the front desk in the Main Office or the first voice on the phone for the past 12 years. To many of our students, she was their school mom. Ms. Gordon and the ladies in the Main office are a crucial part of our students' success alongside caretakers and our teachers. Ms. Gordon has accepted a position at James Fowler with newer challenges and also closer to home. Another one leaves the Pearson Family but Ms. Gordon's impact and her heart will be with us forever. It was also my birthday on Friday and I received more birthday wishes on this one-day than I have in all my other birthdays combined. (A First) It truly made my day. In a previous newsletter I share all the Firsts we accomplished this year. I have another first to add.

To find out read on:



Monday morning started with Vocal Jazz and their rendition of the classic Elvis Presley Tune from his movie, Blue Hawaii, "Falling in Love with you". It was beautiful. Save the date to see our next Drama Production, The Fort!!!



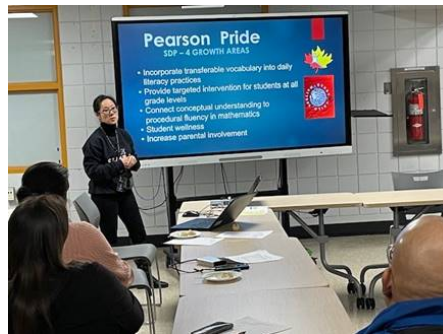


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At lunch PE 30 students, Chantel, Vikram, Dang and Justin planned, organized, executed and supervised a noon activity in the Main Gym. This is required for all PE 30 students to meet their PE 30 outcomes.



At School Parent Council, Ms. Pham provided an update on our School Development Plan. We had a great discussion about OBA. School Parent Council also purchased for the school 2 microwaves for culinary, a rack to house PA equipment, and for science department, beakers, Bunsen burner fuel and a temperature controlled water bath.





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It is a grand Pearson Athletic Tradition to recognize the graduating senior players at the last home game of the season. Last night was Seniors Day for the boys. They were victorious in match against Abe 94 – 54.

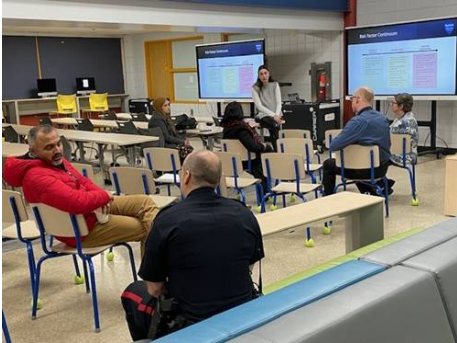


Michelle Fournier honored us with a presentation in Aboriginal Studies on Metis Culture and Traditions. I was most Interested about the significance of the Metis sash. Thanks to Ms. Hayden and Randy Jr. for arranging this lesson.



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A small but engaged group of parents and staff at the presentation by YouthLink on Youth Violence, Guns and Gangs.



Our outstanding graduating players in the Senior Girls Team; the match against SMP was a nail biter. We stayed strong and won 65 – 56.

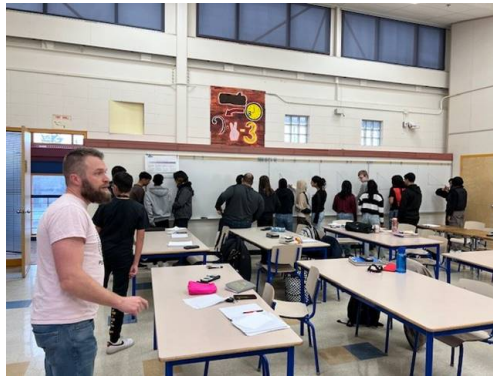


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The evening ended in a sweep with our Junior Team also defeating SMP. Go Patriots!!!



Ms. Brandstadt working with Ahmed and Tehzeeb and Students from Central at the Chief Superintendents' Student Advisory. They are continuing the work of student led wellness Initiatives. We got the chance to step in and see Vertical Math in Mr. Little's class. Gets the blood flowing!!!



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Our ACCESS and ALP students enjoyed being in the stands for the Special Olympics Winter Games. They had the best seats in the arena. Thank you to Ms. Collinge for driving the bus.





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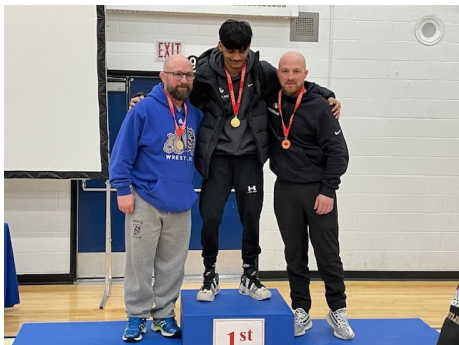
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The Wrestling City Championships was another banner year. Not only did we win the boy's City Championships for the third year in a row. Our team set a record for the most team points scored in CBE high school sports history. This was a culmination of dedication, hard work and lots of team spirit. Congratulations to Coaches Tardif, Kleinitz, Hayden our amazing trainers and our outstanding wrestlers.



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Dates:

- Tuesday, March 5th & Wednesday, March 6th: Drama Production – The Fort
- Monday, March 18th: School Parent Council
- Wednesday, March 13th: Booking System for Conferences will open at 6am
- Thursday, March 21st: Parent / Teacher Conferences – in person, 4:30pm to 8:30pm
- Friday, March 22nd: Parent / Teacher Conferences – in person, 10am to 2pm
- Friday, March 22nd: Non-Instructional Day – No School
- Monday, March 25th to Monday, April 1st: Spring Break – No School





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Athletics: **Basketball Playoffs**

- Monday, March 4th: Junior Girls Quarter Finals Home vs. FL at 5:30pm
- Tuesday, March 5th: Senior Boys Quarter Finals Home vs. BOB at 5:30pm
- Wednesday, March 6th: Junior Girls semi-finals TBD
- Thursday, March 7th: Senior Boys semi-finals at 5:30pm & Senior Girls advanced to semi-finals Basketball home at 7:30pm

Semester 2: Don't Forget

1. Most important – **attend, attend, attend!!!** Student academic success is directly related to your attendance.



Pearson Reads Challenge

The Challenge is extended to after Spring Break, Read a book, graphics novel, comic book or whatever interests you.

When you are done enter your name, title of the book, a short review of 3 sentences and post in the Student Services D2L Shell. Look for the Pearson Reads Discussion Blog. Tell us about your read and maybe this will encourage others to pick up the book too. There will be a draw for 4 \$25 gift certificates from Owls Nest Book Store for all that participate. If we hit 1000 reads there will be a draw for a BBQ Party for the class of your choice.



Good-bye Ms. Gordon, you will be missed ☹

Kenneth Chee
Principal