



# Roland School Newsletter

## Principal's Message

It is hard to believe that 2007 has almost come to a close. All of us at Roland School would like to wish all students and their families a wonderful holiday break. Enjoy the together time with family; stay safe, healthy and active. We will be back in school on January 7, 2008 and it will be a Day 2.

Here are some announcements of upcoming changes and activities in January.

### Staff Changes

As you know, Noreen Gray is retiring as of December 31, 2007. We wish Noreen all the best in her retirement and thank her for the years of teaching at Roland School. Good luck, Noreen! Brenda Whitehead will be the substitute in the Kindergarten classroom and 20% time in grade 1/2 until January 25, 2008. Erin McIntosh has been hired as the new Kindergarten/Grade 1/2 teacher and she will be taking over this position on January 28, 2008. At this time Melissa Benner will be returning from her maternity leave to teach the grade  $\frac{3}{4}$  classroom. We welcome Melissa back and we are excited to have Erin stay on at our school.

## Skating/Curling

We will be skating every Friday at the Roland rink during the lunch hours. Make sure you have handed in your permission slip and letter. Parent helpers will be needed every Friday to help tie skates. We thank you for volunteering.

Grade  $\frac{3}{4}$  class and grade 5/6 class will be going curling in January. Keep posted for the dates after the break.

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### Upcoming Events in January

PAC Mtg. Jan. 14th 5:30

Early Dismissal—Jan.23

## Safe Driving

Safety note: There have been some concerns with drivers on our town streets near the school driving too fast. Students cross the street on Klondike Avenue and South Avenue on their way home from school. Thank you for your ongoing concern for our students safety.

Check our school wiki for updates and for some educational computer games and activities.

## Healthy Minds Breakfast

Thank-you to all parents who have made a donation to our Healthy Minds Breakfast program. Also, thank-you to Anita Peters for volunteering to serve breakfast once a week. We continue to take donations of jam, margarine, or fruit. Our Breakfast for Learning Grant application has been approved. We are receiving half of the amount that we requested, however, and we will need some donations to sustain the program until June. We also sell milk over the noon hour for \$1.00.

## Thank You to PAC

The staff at Roland School would like to extend a BIG thank-you to the Roland Parent Council for the Staff Appreciation lunch on Dec. 18/07. The staff was treated to a duty free delicious lunch decorated with tablecloths, music, and fantastic desserts! Thank you to all of the parents that helped put this lunch together.

### **Hot Dog/Pizza**

Hot dog and pizza days will continue on alternating Thursdays. Check the calendar for the dates.

### **T-shirt Order Form**

There is a T-shirt order form attached for anyone who wants to order a Roland School T-shirt.