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PRINCIPALS' MESSAGE

Dear Parents/ Guardians,

Welcome to February. The days are getting a little longer, but it remains cold. Students should be prepared to go outside. A reminder that our entry bell rings at 8:45 am and students should be ready to begin the day by coming in at this time.

If you have a kindergarten-aged student, registration is open for September 2026. It is important that students get registered so that we can plan with accurate numbers for the fall.

The Olympics are running at Monck this month as well. Each homeroom is its own country, and each event will have a medal awarded. We will be competing in divisions of Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Intermediate.

A reminder that report cards go home on Feb 13th. Please make sure your child checks the lost and found to see if they have any missing items. Please reach out if you have any questions.

Todd Truax, Laura Clark, and
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We achieve excellence through effort and high expectations!

Kindergarten registration is open!

Do you have a child turning four in 2026?

If so, it's time to register them for Kindergarten.

Scan the QR code, visit tldsbc.ca/Kindergarten, or call your closest school.



Enrol by February 27, 2026



Save the Date!

March 2: Grad Photos (SK & 8)

April 16: Science Fair

June 23: Grade 8 Graduation

June 25: Last Day of School

Winter Activities

Winter activities are underway! Activities include; skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, snow tubing, skating, winter survival, and rocks to to rings curling.



Culture Days

Date: Ongoing

Share your country's flag and teach your classmates about its history and what it represents.

Mental Health Monthly

Spreading kindness helps us stay connected, regulate our emotions, and focus on what is important to us. Think of times when you were kind to others, or when other people were kind to you. What was the outcome of these interactions? How did it make you feel? How did others react?

Be part of spreading kindness this February!

Participate in one act of kindness each day (e.g., opening the door for someone, providing a compliment or helping to clean up).

Notice what spreading kindness does for your mental health.

SAFE Arrival

For pick-up and drop-off of students, please use the side of the school and use the “kiss and ride” model.

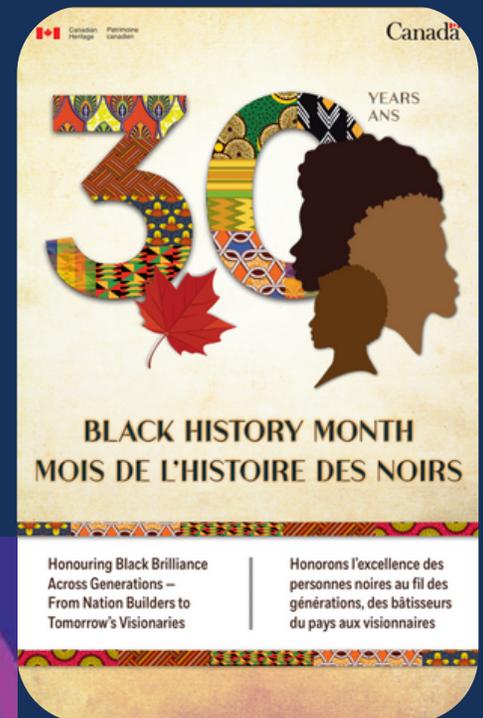
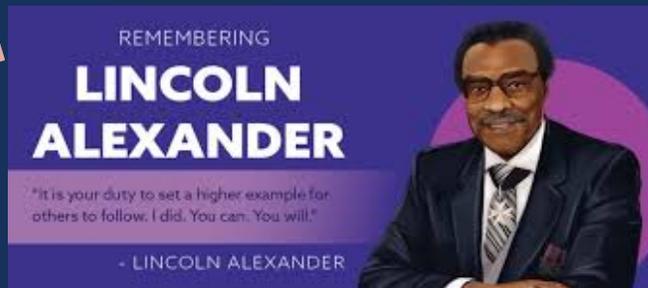
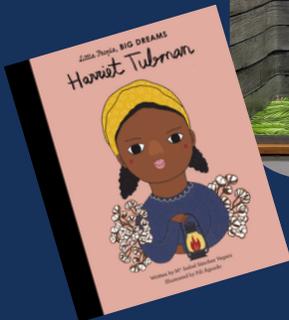
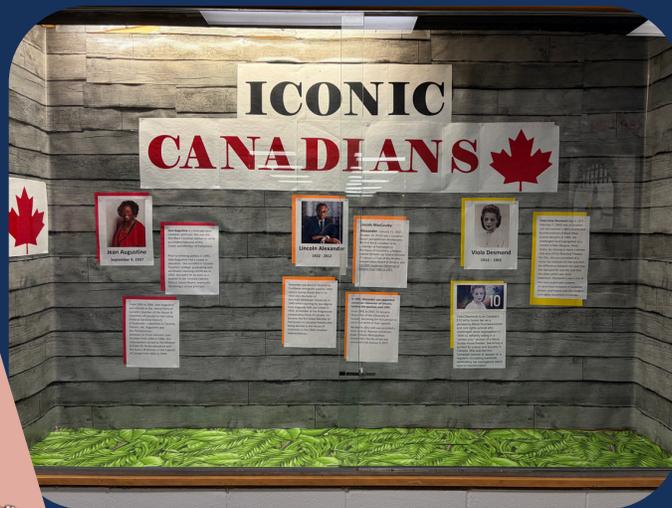
The rear of the school is for bus pick up and drop off ONLY.

Our safe arrival number is 705-645-9986. Please help us keep your children safe. Use this number when your child is absent so the school knows they are safe.

**** Parents of children who walk to school - please remember to call the Safe Arrival Line when your child is staying home on a Bus Cancellation Day.**

Black History MONTH

We are celebrating Black History Month at Monck with a spotlight on influential black individuals throughout history on our daily morning announcements. We also have a bulletin board highlighting iconic Black Canadians. So far, students have learned about Dr. Mae Jemison, Jackie Robinson, Amanda Gorman, and Viola Desmond. We encourage you to ask your child(ren) about what they have learned and continue the conversation at home.



Honouring Black Brilliance
Across Generations –
From Nation Builders to
Tomorrow's Visionaries

Honors l'excellence des
personnes noires au fil des
générations, des bâtisseurs
du pays aux visionnaires

ATHLETICS NEWS

Reminders from the Gym!

Students must have clean indoor running shoes in order to participate in indoor Phys.Ed classes. Students in Grade 4-8 are encouraged to bring a change of clothes for Phys.Ed classes. If you need support obtaining indoor shoes or clothing for Phys. Ed please reach out to crystal.steinberg@tlds.on.ca and we can help with this!

If your child has an injury or illness and needs to be excused from physical activity or requires accommodations, please send a note or email to their P.E. Teacher.

LOST and FOUND

Our collection of lost and found has grown very large. Please remind your child to check for any lost items. We will be bagging it up and donating all items that have not been claimed on **Feb 13th**.



FAMILY MATH CHALLENGE

You are helping bake cookies for a Monck PS event. The recipe calls for 2 cups of flour to make a dozen cookies.

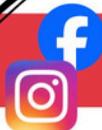
How many cups of flour do you need to make 24 cookies? What about 36 cookies? If you only have 3 cups of flour left in your pantry, how many cookies can you make in total? How do you know?
(if you want to check your answer, visit <https://mon.tlds.on.ca/>)

2026 February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3 Gr 6/7/8 Horeshoe Valley	4 	5 	6 Gr 4/5 Skating	7
8	9 Monck Winter Olympics Opening Ceremonies	10 	11 	12 	13 Gr 4/5 Skating Report Cards	14
15	16 HAPPY <i>family</i> DAY	17 Gr 6/7/8 Horeshoe Valley	18 Gr 4/5 Skating Pinsonneault/ Giguere to Morrison Meadows 	19 Buie/ Fidler to Morrison Meadows 	20	21
22	23	24 	25 Pink Shirt Day  	26 	27 PD DAY	28
MARCH	2 Grade 8 & SK Grad Photos					

PARENT COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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UPDATES FROM PARENT COUNCIL

Our most recent Parent Council meeting went very well and was held virtually due to weather – thank you to everyone who joined us!

Parent Council is finalizing their votes related to teacher requests. Teachers have requested support for: shovels for winter play, Yoto Mini readers, class trip assistance, and Reward stickers

We are also finalizing our Valentines Day Flower Fundraiser which closes on February 1, 2026. All proceeds go to the school to help with costs of trips, events and other activities.

FEBRUARY EVENTS



Coffee with Parent Council

February 20 at 8:30 am
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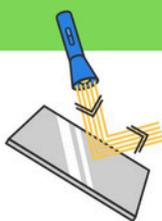
Flower Delivery

February 13 at 3:00 – 4:30
Front Doors at Monck

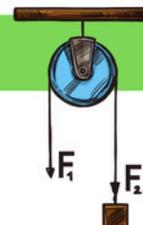
**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED**

SCIENCE FAIR

Planning is underway for this year's Science Fair!

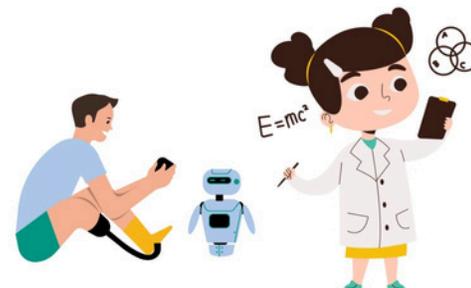


Student help sessions begin next week – students can drop in Tuesdays during 2nd break in the Book Room for questions or extra work time.



Important Dates:

- Mar 6 – Topic due
- Mar 11 – Boards handed out
- Apr 14 – Projects due
- Apr 16 – Science Fair Day



Volunteers & Business Support Needed:

We are looking for parent volunteers and local businesses interested in supporting the Science Fair through donations or sponsorship. If you can help, please reach out – your support makes this event possible!

FREE

FREE MEAL PROGRAM OPPORTUNITY

We have an opportunity to bring **FREE** healthy meals into our classrooms!

We have secured funding to be able to start a rotating hot lunch or breakfast or even smoothie days for the classrooms each week. If you have the ability to assist or want to get involved in this please email Parent Council!

END OF YEAR FUN FAIR



This year's End-of-Year Fun Fair is a multicultural celebration!



Get ready for music, games, activities, and food that celebrate the many cultures that make our school community so special.

Families can look forward to kid-friendly entertainment, tasty treats from around the world, and lots of fun activities as we celebrate an amazing school year together.

We want YOU involved! Whether as a volunteer, sharing a cultural tradition, or hosting a booth or activity we would love to hear from you.



Next planning meeting: Tuesday, February 3 at 3:45 p.m.



Email Parent Council to request the meeting link.



HOT LUNCH



Boston Pizza continues to serve up our hot lunches!

We heard you loud and clear! Families asked for more variety, so we've introduced a new rotating menu that will always include one gluten-friendly option plus two additional choices.

HELP WANTED

Volunteers needed!

HELP!

A few of our regular helpers have had to step away, and we still need parent volunteers to help distribute lunches on hot lunch days. Even occasional help makes a big difference.

BP HOT LUNCH	
FEBRUARY 10 HAMBURGER (NO CHEESE) \$6.35	FEBRUARY 24 CHICKEN FINGERS \$6.00
BUGS N CHEESE \$4.50	SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE \$4.50
GLUTEN FRIENDLY HAMBURGER (NO CHEESE) \$6.35	GLUTEN FRIENDLY FUSILLI ALFREDO \$10.00
ORDER THROUGH SCHOOL CASH ONLINE ORDERS DUE THE THURSDAY BEFORE	