



King Albert Public School

Sharing respect responsibility and caring

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:

January ended with some news that has shaken our school community and has given some families reason to be concerned about the safety and well being of their children while in our care. While I can certainly appreciate how such news may cause concern, I also want to take the opportunity to remind families that the safety of our students is always our first priority. While details of the situation can not be disclosed, I want to reassure that the teacher involved is not currently, nor have they been, working at the school since the allegation first came forward. When there is suspicion or disclosure of information about the potential of abuse or assault of a student, the CAS are called to investigate. The Kawartha Lakes Police are also contacted to investigate. I have heard from parents who wished that we would have informed our community sooner about this allegation or revealed the name of the teacher. While I can appreciate where these concerns come from, we have an obligation to allow this process to unfold without impediment, including breaches of confidentiality.

This news has been challenging for families to hear, and I can assure you it is equally as difficult for the staff who are working together to move our school forward past this incident. When things like this happen, children often turn to adults for guidance and direction in how to process and understand what they are hearing about their school. As adults, we need to model a calm reaction, try not to feed into the hype that surrounds a story like this, and remind our children that the first pillar of the Knights Code is **"We Keep Each Other Safe"**. We are fortunate that we have great community supports who work with us to provide great supports and services to our students, we have the Knight's Code which unites us behind a common vision and set of values, and we have a newly developed school song which students have been in the process of learning. We gather every Monday morning as a school to celebrate the successes of each other and remind ourselves of who we are and what King Albert represents. These are the stories we should be, and with the help of the Kawartha Lakes This Week and our own social media, will be telling in the coming days.

To help our school community plan a way to focus on a message of unity and building community together, we invite interested parents and community members to attend our next Parent Council meeting here at the school on Thursday, February 7 at 3:20pm.



JANUARY EXECUTIVE FUNCTION AWARD WINNERS!

Congratulations to our Executive Function award winners for the month of January! These students demonstrated growth throughout the month in the development and use of skills around the executive function of Emotional Control. We'll be working on developing skills in supporting the executive function of Flexibility throughout the month of February!

BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION

Supervision at school begins at **8:35**. Please ensure children are sent/dropped off no earlier than 8:35 in the morning. Thanks for your assistance in keeping our kids safe.

REPORT CARDS

A reminder - report cards will go home on **Friday, February 15th**. Please take the opportunity to review this important communication with your children. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher for further information or to set up a time to meet to review evidence of your child's learning.



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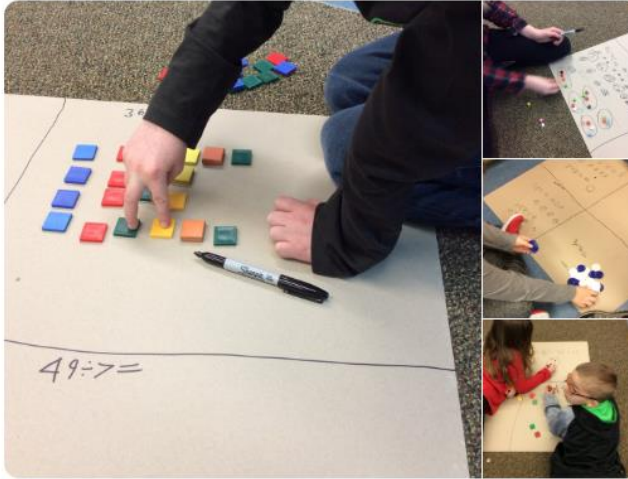
A Reminder – Please make sure that when you are picking up or dropping off students to not block the handicapped parking spot at the front of the school. This spot must be accessible for those who need it. **Municipal By-Law Enforcement will be on site to ensure cars are not stopping in no parking zones at the front of the school during entry and dismissal times.**

CELEBRATE, CELEBRATE, CELEBRATE!

Check us out on Facebook & Twitter @KingAlbertPS and our website at [kap.tldsbc.on.ca!](http://kap.tldsbc.on.ca)

King Albert PS Retweeted
Shealaine.Richardson @ShealaineR · 14h
Knights were hard at work this morning as they worked in pairs to answer these division questions! We set high goals and achieve them!

@KingAlbertPS @tldsbc #tldsblearns #math #division #sharedthinking #fundamentalsofmath



King Albert PS Retweeted
Lindsay Jr. A Muskies @LindsayMuskies · Jan 24
#GoodGuysAlert #Muskies out in the community. The #Muskies went to visit the Students at @KingAlbertPS today and played a few games of floor hockey. The Fish had a blast. These are students that came to our November 27th Student Game.
#MuskiesHockey



Team Teel @TeelTeam · Jan 28
Extreme concentration learning notes on a staff and applying it to a glockenspiel! @KingAlbertPS



King Albert PS @KingAlbertPS · Jan 11
@KingAlbertPS we've aligned our resources to ensure students in our large Grade 5/6 class have every opportunity to receive quality responsive instruction and feedback to close gaps in their Mathematical thinking. #tldsbc #tldsbcmath

