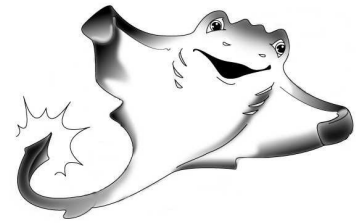


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March 17, 2010

Dear Parents / Guardians:

RE: **Student Led Conferences**

Report card time is quickly approaching. We will be sending report cards home on **Friday, March 19**. This will be followed by student led conferences for **all students** and parents on **Tuesday, March 23 or Thursday, March 25**.

Student led conferences are a valuable experience for children and it is also an opportunity for each child to do some curriculum activities with their parents. Activities will be set up in each classroom for parents and students to work through. Parents will be able to see how their child does in some core subject activities, what kind of learner their child is and what kind of work habits their child has. This will help parents have a better understanding of how their child learns, what frustrates them and what makes them feel successful. These conferences are designed to give parents a rare view into their child(ren)'s day. We encourage all parents to come out and celebrate their child's education. Let your child show you what they can do!

The student-led conference is a very special and exciting time for students. Your child will depend on your undivided and personal attention for the entire conference. Please note that there will be several student-led conferences conducted in the classroom at the same time. It is important that all conferences have the opportunity to be conducted without distractions. For this reason, we ask that siblings not accompany you to the conference. School-aged siblings may read or engage in a quiet activity in the hall while they await their own conference. As well, we ask for cell phones to be set on vibrate. We thank you for your cooperation in helping to ensure all parents can enjoy this important time with their child.

Here is a brief overview of all of our roles that evening.

Student	Parent	Teachers
<p>Lead the conference by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Completing the activities at the centres and explaining what they are doing• Keeping track of centres visited on conference sheet• Answering your questions politely and thoroughly	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Listen attentively to your child• Ask questions (some suggestions for things to discuss will be at each centre)• Give positive feedback about his/her work	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aid and assist students if need be• Observe• Take notes for future conferences• Answer questions

Please fill out the attached form and send back to your child's teacher no later than Friday, March 19th, so that we can anticipate the number of participants in each time frame. We will send a confirmation of your time home with your child on Monday, March 22nd.

We are excited about sharing this special event with you and anticipate its success. Please do not hesitate to contact us by e-mail or in the agenda if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Ms. K. Wilhauk
Principal

Student Led Conference Time Request

_____ would like to request the following student led
(Parent Name- please print)

conference time.

(Name of student)

Teacher

******Please indicate your first, second and third choice** for the time frame that works best for you and send back to your child's teacher no later than Friday, March 19th. On Monday, March 22nd we will send a confirmation of your time home with your child.

Tuesday, March 23th

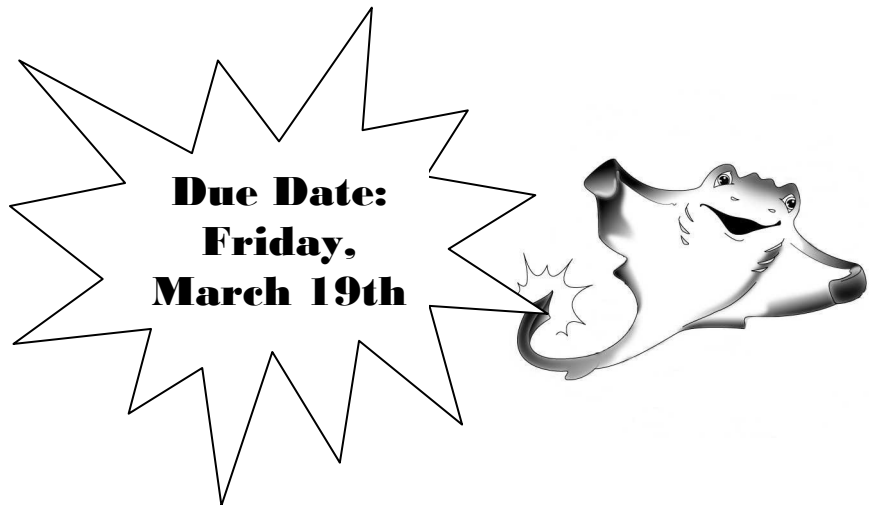
_____ 3:30 – 5:00

_____ 6:00 – 7:30

Thursday, March 25th

_____ 3:30 – 5:00

_____ 6:00 – 7:30



*NOTE: if for some reason your scheduled time doesn't work for you after you receive your confirmation, please feel free to inform your child's teacher and drop in during one of the other times.