



## KCA PTA

Meeting Date: Thursday, January 28, 2016  
*\*re-scheduled from January 19, 2016*

Meeting Time: 6:00pm

**Regrets:** Cheryl Lake, Sylvia Berrey

<b>Welcome</b>	Kathy opened the meeting and welcomed everyone	
Lice Presentation	<p>Melissa White and Tracey Bartie made a presentation about lice.</p> <p>-Recommended product: Resultz shampoo found in the shampoo aisle</p> <p>School board policy: Nits: Can go to school; live lice = stay home</p> <p>The more we talk about it, the less the stigma exists</p> <p>KCA provides a lice kit and pamphlet to families in need. It would be nice to be able to provide volunteers who will go and help families deal with the lice.</p> <p>Recommended video: Is it Head Lice? To show you what the eggs/nits look like:</p>	



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	<p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UrScqdNuTpc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UrScqdNuTpc</a></p> <p>If anyone ever needs help or advice, please contact Tracey or Melissa: <a href="mailto:flyingnurse@shaw.ca">flyingnurse@shaw.ca</a></p> <p>Link to article on lice with tips on how to deal with it. Interviews with Melissa and Tracey included:  <a href="http://www.novanewsnow.com/Opinion/Columnists/2015-12-07/article-4367421/FAMILY-FUN-The-lowdown-on-lice:-Scratching-away-the-myths-about-lice/1">http://www.novanewsnow.com/Opinion/Columnists/2015-12-07/article-4367421/FAMILY-FUN-The-lowdown-on-lice:-Scratching-away-the-myths-about-lice/1</a></p>	
<p>Presentation by Christine Davis, KCA librarian</p>	<p>Thank you to everyone who baked cookies for the family literacy night.          Encourage families to participate in literacy events that are listed on the school website.          The family literacy night was a good experience for the children, and a great way to socialize. Some of the books were read in French and some in English.</p> <p><u>Upcoming Events</u>          Book Fair coming in February          Dr. Seuss party before March Break          The library, in combination with phys ed might be doing the Jump Rope for Heart fundraising campaign in May.          Parent volunteers will be needed.</p>	
<p>Proposal: Ros Gillan</p>	<p>Ros has been fortunate to have Celine Hambling come in</p>	<p>Ros Gillan</p>



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	<p>each week to do arts with the grade 4 class.</p> <p>A few years ago there was a full day called an arts blitz, where students could do 3 different art workshops. They took something home from each workshop.</p> <p>Celine is willing to head this up and connect with artists. Is the PTA willing to support the initiative through supplies and honourariums towards the artists.</p> <p>Possible date: MAY</p> <p>Cost: depends upon the artists who come and the supplies that are needed.</p> <p><b>Recommendation:</b> Come up with a formal plan to present to the PTA</p>	Celine Hambling
<b>Committee Reports</b>		
PTA Present	<p>We received a certificate from Rocky Mountain Christmas Tree for participating in the fundraising program.</p> <p>\$195 was raised through the Christmas tree program</p>	
Treasurer	<p>Danielle presented the financial report.</p> <p>We purchased folding tables for \$1379</p> <p>There is a line for the Christmas Card fundraiser. This money was initially given to the PTA and a cheque (not yet cashed) will go to the school to be divvied between</p>	Danielle



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	<p>the teachers who participated)</p> <p><b>Danielle</b> will check to see if the Credit Union has charges for non-profit organizations (especially for coin deposits)</p>	
Principal Report	<p><b>Photography Contract:</b> The Life Touch 3-year contract is coming to an end. There are 3 possible vendors that will come to PTA to present their plan. Some of them are Atlantic. The PTA will then decide which vendor to use. This will be arranged for the March PTA meeting (March 22)</p> <p>The school will offer a <b>tech night</b> with Ryan Hainstock. It will be educating students, families and staff. This is to help families manage the use of devices for constructive and positive use.</p>	
Town of Kentville: Andre Bouchard	<p>The <b>planters</b> that the public works built last year are available and are ready to go once they are lined with plastic, and can be used for school programming. The hope is to grow some pumpkins for the pumpkin drop.</p> <p><b>School Planning Committee:</b> A map has been developed. The CK Health Board awarded \$2000 for school travel planning. There will be drop off points where parents can drop their children and they can walk from those points. Signage would be installed along the routes to let the</p>	



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	<p>community know that kids are travelling that route to get to/from school. Maps will be distributed to new primary students, and signage should be up in September.</p> <p>It was suggested that a booth could be set up at <b>Spring Fling</b> to promote the program.</p> <p><u>Feedback</u>: results showed that if there was someone to walk/wheel with, then parents would be more willing to let their children walk to school.</p> <p><b>Please provide any feedback to the Town</b> on any ideas on the routes, concept especially in terms of safety and convenience.</p> <p>Emily LaGrand is running <b>Trailblazers</b> for the season. Funding was provided by a grant. Emily presented information about the program. The response to the program has been very positive. They are looking for ways for kids to play outside beyond Trailblazers and ways to reach out to the parents of the children enrolled in the program.</p>	
<b>Fundraising</b>	Value Village is coming to the February meeting to discuss joint fundraising activities. They will make a brief presentation at the beginning of the meeting.	
<b>Old Business</b>		
Refugee Family	The arrival date is still unknown.	



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	<p>ESL programming is ready.          Prayer space will be provided in the school          Teachers are being provided with resources.          Chris Davis has been investigating books for the library</p>	
<b>New Business</b>		
Family Movie Night	<p>Possible title: The Good Dinosaur (release date Feb 23)          March 1 6:00 for 6:30          Canteen on site; Free Will donation.  <b>Juli</b> get the movie  <b>Laura</b> to do the publicity  <b>Danielle and Anthony</b> to supervise the canteen with help</p>	<p>Juli          Laura          Danielle/Anthony</p>
A for Adventure	<p>Andre reported that the <b>A for Adventure team</b> from CBC are willing to come give a presentation/reading to the school if some books are purchased.</p>	
Joint PTA Meeting	<p>A Joint PTA meeting will be held with reps from different schools. This will happen in February with hopes of <b>Laura, Kathy and Anthony</b> attending.</p>	<p>Laura          Kathy          Anthony</p>
Next Meeting	February 16, 2016	
<b>Minutes completed by Laura Churchill-Duke</b>		