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### School Closures

April 10—20

May 18

June 25 is our Last Day

## Mark Your Calendar!

- \* April 9th – Last day of School before Easter Holidays & Principal's PJ Party!

## Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you so much for showing your children that their education is important to you. We appreciate the time you took to get here and we know that arranging work and family schedules can be difficult. Please continue to take the time to keep in touch with your child's teacher as we work toward year's end.

## No Scents & No Nuts.....

For those of you that make the extra effort to follow our Nut and Scent restrictions we say thank you. Your efforts ensure that our students with respiratory issues and life threatening allergies are protected.

## Teacher Web Pages

Several teachers are working on class web pages this year and we want you to check them out. Log onto [matthewelementary.nl.ca](http://matthewelementary.nl.ca) and select the hyperlink Teacher Web Pages. This can be an excellent way for parents to gather information about their child's class.

## Teacher Communications

We are very pleased with the communication our teachers are receiving from parents. Please keep your child's teacher informed about any concerns you might have as they arise. If the situation is one which requires immediate attention we ask that you not depend on email. Our teachers do not have the time or resources in their classrooms to have constant email access. Another challenge is if you have not spoken to the teacher about communicating through email, they may not have set their email options to allow email from you. And, for all of you who realize there are two sides to every story, we say hooray!!! We always say to Kinderstart parents that we will only believe half of what they tell us about home, if you will believe only half of what they tell you about school!!! :)

Kinder Start Session Coming Up On  
April 6th—Bring Your Sneakers!!

## Parking!!

We say thank you once again to all of our parents who work to follow our parking policy. You demonstrate every day that you understand how dangerous it is to stop on our road ways to let your child out, and that letting your child walk through a bus loading zone is not something you are prepared to do. You deserve a medal, and we appreciate your efforts!!

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## Seat Belts Work!!

We ask all parents to review the seat belt laws as it pertains to their particular situation. Seat belts work and can save a child from serious injury, even in town. Over the last couple of weeks we have witnessed some situations that are extremely dangerous. Young children sitting in the front seat; two children sitting in the front seat with no seat belt; young children with no booster seat; and, children standing up between the two bucket seats in an extended cab pickup. We are not police officers, and we do not intend to start looking for seat belt infractions, but the situation has been common enough to make us concerned. The other issue is that if you do not make them wear their seat belt now, they won't wear it when they are seventeen!

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## Apple Day!!!

Apple Day was fabulous!!! Thank you so much for the Apples you sent to school and a very big thank you to the parents who organized and prepared things for that day. Nutrition is an important part of good learning, and this is just one way we support a healthy and active school!!!

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The Principal's PJ Party  
is Coming!!

We would like to thank those parents who take the stand to prevent their child from bringing cell phones and similar electronic equipment to school. Reducing distractions to learning, and teaching children that there is a healthy time and place to use such equipment is an important role for parents to play!!

We are with you and support you!! You know what is right!!

Heritage Fair  
Is Scheduled for May 1.  
Start Thinking about  
Your project!!!

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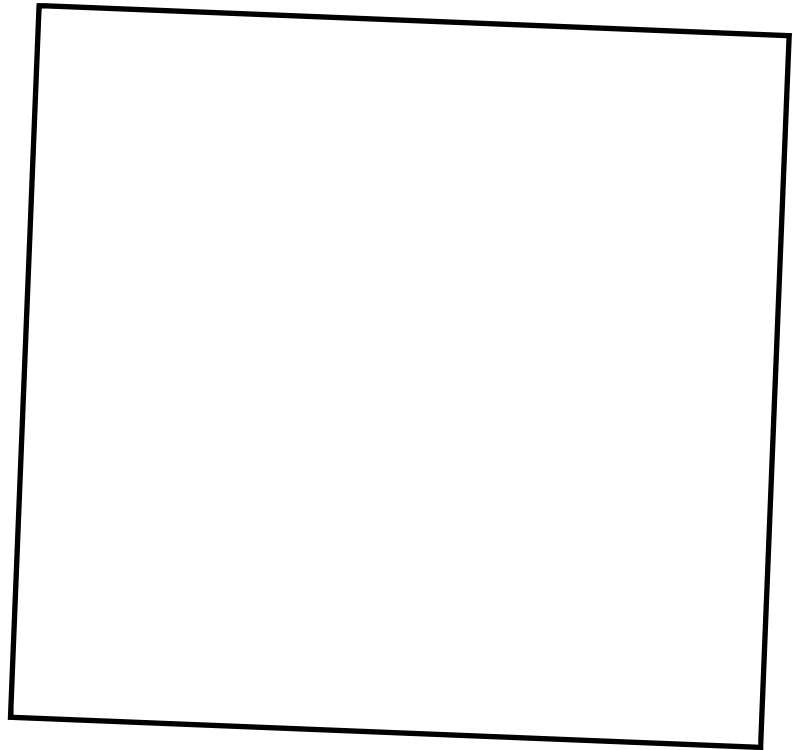
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## Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small, you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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