



### **Compliments of the Season to You and Your Family!**

We are very busy people trying to handle our health, our family, our careers and other responsibilities. Our lives tend to be quite hectic throughout the year. Sometimes it can be quite overwhelming. With the Christmas and Kwanza holidays rushing towards us, this time of the year is no different. Fortunately, the weather has been absolutely wonderful temperature wise. Hopefully it will continue. The days are shorter and the nights longer than any other time of the year. My advice for you this Christmas Season is to make

some time to sit back, take some time to relax, and reflect on what is most important – your health and spending time with your family and friends!

The Christmas spirit is alive and well at our Northeast Kings Education Centre campus and surrounding communities. We see examples of students showing goodwill to each other, each and every day. The Student's Council makes generous donations to the Food Bank and our Breakfast Program throughout the year. Here at Northeast Kings Education Centre we have many learning opportunities that we provide to our students to make their education here a positive and rewarding experience. The annual "Christmas Angel Tree" in Students' Services is very well supported, providing gifts to many girls and boys in our surrounding communities. Our Breakfast and Lunch Programs coordinated by both staff and student volunteers continues to provide nutritious food to many of our students daily. We are receiving wonderful donations from our students, staff and community members to support our school community. We are very fortunate to have such wonderful community citizens that recognize the various needs and supports that are necessary to make our school community feel welcome, safe and secure to our students. I personally want to thank you all for your great generosity that you have shown in many forms over the first four months of this school year.

December is just like any other month here at school with regards to trying to keep the communication lines open to our many families. We just had our parent-teacher interviews and had almost 400 families present! Thanks for taking such a vested interest in your child's education. It was great to hear from you all! We are always providing an opportunity for parents and guardians to gain information about their child at Northeast Kings. Access to the Parent Portal is another great way for you to track your child's grades and attendance. If you would like to contact us and request access we will need to meet with you to give you the password to gain access. We will need photo ID when we meet to give you the password. This is another way that school and home can be more informed about how each child is doing at our school. Our staff family is working very hard at providing a positive academic climate in which learning is a priority for all of our students.

We had a fantastic fifth Annual "Evening with the Arts" showcasing the many Fine Arts opportunities we provide for our students here at Northeast Kings. It was so wonderful to see our students shine as they performed for us! We had a great turnout of approximately 120 community members! All monies received at this event were donated to our Christmas Angel Tree program which was \$311.00! Thank you for your attendance and generosity

On another note, far too often our communities are hit with tragedy during this winter season involving motor vehicles. Please speak to your child about the dangers of driving on slippery roads, texting or drinking and driving or getting into a vehicle with someone under the influence of alcohol or drugs. One's decision based on poor judgment can result in a lifetime of heartache. Please keep this in mind as you relax and enjoy some good cheer with your family and friends during the holiday season.

On behalf of the students and staff at Northeast Kings Education Centre, please accept our sincere wishes of a Happy Holiday Season and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,

Kevin Veinot  
Principal