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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT
March 12, 2024

STAFF APPRECIATION

Special thanks to the parents of the Home and School for all their efforts in recognizing the amazing work our staff does for our community. Staff was spoiled with treats, gifts, and a delicious lunch during Staff Appreciation Week which was held between February 13-15.

Science Fair and Invention Convention

We were thrilled to once again host our annual Invention Convention for Secondary 1 students on February 14. Parents and students appreciated the event and the great work by our young entrepreneurs and scientists. The next day RWA hosted its Science Fair for students in Secondary 2-5. The judges were very impressed by our students' work. We were happy to host some of our elementary schools in the area during the public viewing session. Hopefully they will be inspired and will consider RWA in the future. Special thanks to all the science department staff and to our Science Fair Coordinator, Jennifer Pevec.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

RWA will host its second parent-teacher interviews of the year on March 14. This edition was held virtually. Parents are able to schedule short meetings with teachers, guidance counsellors, and our peer tutoring coordinator.

END OF YEAR EXAMS

We are in the process of finalizing this year's May/June Exam Schedule. Parents will be informed as soon as the dates are finalized. The last day of regular classes will be confirmed soon after consultation with the Governing Board. Exams will end on June 21, at the latest.

Plan de Rattrapage scolaire

The ministry has allocated approximately \$30,900 to RWA for students who are showing difficulty in Math/Science/ELA/History and français since the strike. The amount has been divided amongst the 5 departments who have identified students in need of additional remediation. The remediation will be done by teachers over and above their normal workload. Parents of those students will be

contacted by their child's teacher show this be recommended. The funds may be carried over to next school year, but it must be spent by December 2024.

Computer Fund

As a result of the generosity of RWA parents, RWA was able to upgrade one of its educational technology labs and provide students with new laptops in the library. The laptops in the library were several years old and were no longer reliable. The cost of this upgrade was approximately \$93,000. The laptop computers from the computer lab will be added to classrooms for use by students with special needs.