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**Ontario focuses on Accessibility**

Volunteers will require proof that they have watched the training video on Accessibility before participating in any school activities (see previous newsletters for info.)

The JLM October Assembly will also focus on how we make out school Inclusive for all, students and visitors.

October 2017

**Celebrating JLM connections this Remembrance Day**

Last year JLM started a collection project to gather stories, pictures and information from families who have had someone presently in the Canadian Forces or family members who have served with the Forces previously. Some of the people we have learned about served in the Second World War and others have been in Peace Keeping Missions much more recently.

Attached to this Newsletter, you will find a form you may wish to use to tell us about your relative. Many families have been able to attach a picture of the soldier over the poppy.

The sheets are then laminated and displayed with the forms we collected last year, to create a large display of those from the JLM family that we will remember.

**Thank you for participating in this project of Remembrance!**

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Welcome to our new **Grade 1 teacher, Ms. Laskey**. On Friday, October 6th we bid a sad farewell to Mrs. McKnight who has been covering for Mrs. Bevaart’s Maternity Leave. Ms. Laskey will be starting with us on Tuesday, October 10th and we look forward to having her work as a team member in the Primary Division. Welcome Ms. Laskey.

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**Student IEPs for 2017 will be sent home on October 16th**, as per Ministry of Education Guidelines. In the past, parents were sent another copy with the Progress Report and each Term Report. This year the Ministry has advised that we only need to send three IEPs: October 16th, and one with each Term Report Card.

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**Pita Days** return Monday, October 16th and **Pizza Days** start on Friday, October 13th. Order for both Pita and Pizza Days are on School Cash.

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**Need a Police Check updated?**

On Saturday, October 21, 2017, the Haldimand County OPP will be conducting Criminal Record Checks between 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. at their detachment located at

72 Haldimand Highway 54 in Cayuga. Criminal record checks will be completed while you wait. They can only be processed for residents of Haldimand County.

The blitz is being held on the weekend when the detachment office isn’t normally open to make it easier for people who are at work during their regular office hours. You will need:

* A letter from the school or another agency you are volunteering for requesting Vulnerable Sector (working with kids) Police Check
* Two pieces of ID as described on the back of the JLM letter

Contact Haldimand detachment for more info @ 905 772-3322.

**Important Dates to Remember**

October:

11 Orienteering

10 – 24 Mad Science continues on Tuesdays

19 Cross Country

20 Cross Country rain date

Lock Down and Fire Drills scheduled for October

November

1 Grade 1 /2 and 2 to Taquanyah

2 Grade 5 + Tech Class to Taquanyah

3 Grade 4 and 6 to Taquanyah

3 Picture Retake Day

15 – 17 Book Fair

16 & 17 Parent Teacher interviews

22 School Plays brought to us by SAC:

Jillian Jiggs (K and Primary) and Tree Boy (Jr and Int)

Thank you to the School Advisory Council and their massive crew of parents who worked on the **FALL FEAST.**

Parents set up tables and chairs for 340 people, served individual dinners, provided drinks and cupcakes for the entire school, and then tore down all the furniture so we could use the gym again!

Thank you to everyone who took a part and the SAC for overseeing all the details.

What a wonderful time we had. This is a day kids will remember well past their years in school.