Grade 3/4 October News Room 109

Dear Grade 3 and 4 families,

Happy Fall!! I cannot believe that it is already October. I feel that the month of September has just flown right by. Thank-you for a fantastic start to the school year. It was great meeting you all at our parent-teacher BBQ a few weeks and thank-you to those who donated money towards our Terry Fox fundraiser. This event was a huge success.

Now that the cold weather is on its way, please ensure your child has appropriate boots/ shoes and clothing to wear when playing outside. Your child will need to have a pair of indoor shoes to leave here at the school to change into after recesses.

Upcoming Events;

<u>Tues. October $3^{rd} \rightarrow P.D.$ Day – No school for students.</u>

<u>Thurs. October 5th</u> \rightarrow Grade 4 students to Simcoe Fair. Please return permission form ASAP. Payment for the trip is due online. Grade 3 students will be going to grade 5 for the day.

Mon. October 9th → Thanksgiving Monday. No school for students.

<u>Tues. October 10th</u> → Picture Day!

<u>Tues. October $31^{st} \rightarrow$ Halloween Party. More information will follow at a later date.</u>

What are we learning about in Grade 3/4?

Math → We are continuing to practice counting forwards and backwards by 2's, 3's, 5's, 10's to 200. We have just finished up our Number Sense where we were learning how to represent numbers to 1000 (Grade 3) and 10 000 (Grade 4). Final unit marks will be coming home next week. Our new math focus is on Patterning. We are looking at how a pattern repeats itself, finding the core of the pattern and determining the pattern rule when working with numbers.

Language → Our focus in Language will be on Re-tell, looking specifically at characters, setting, beginning, middle and end. In writing, we will be working towards adding descriptive details to our writing (use of adjectives) and learning how to write a short story. Students will be expected to create a setting, characters, problem and a solution.

Science → The grade 3 students are currently in the middle of learning about the importance of 'Plants and Soil.' In grade 4, their focus is on 'Animal Habitats'.

Social Studies → This subject will be starting sometime in November.

Health → Our focus is on 'Healthy Eating' and Canada's Food Guide.

