



October 2017

The 'DRAGON'

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St. George-German School

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October Greetings

As the autumn leaves turn and cooler temperatures usher in fall, we can reflect back to an excellent start for the school year and look ahead to what lies ahead for October. We have had baseball teams compete very well for St. George at tournaments, the School Council first meeting, Book Fair, Photo Day, Meet The Teacher, 'Me To We' Day and start up to our Student Leadership Group. October brings Thanksgiving, Cross Country and Hallowe'en at the end of the month.

We would also like to invite everyone to visit our Facebook Page again this year for updates on school events and happenings. While the current website is in development but still accessible, we want to connect with parents and our community to share all of the great things happening at our school. that students, staff and our community do this year. See us at: <https://www.facebook.com/St-George-German-Public-School-499676590213100/timeline/> Have a great month!

Mr. T. Zebroski, Principal

School Council

The next meeting for this year will be Tuesday October 17th at 6:30 pm. This meeting will include discussion about possible fundraising. Please come out if you are interested or would like to be involved.

Important Dates to Remember

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| Tuesday October 3 | - PD Day |
| Friday October 6 | - Terry Fox Run |
| Monday October 9 | - Thanksgiving Day Holiday |
| Tuesday October 17 | - School Council Meeting |
| Tuesday October 31 | - Hallowe'en Parade |



Baseball Updates

Congratulations to the Intermediate Boys Three Pitch Team which won the Championship in Paris. The team went undefeated for the whole tournament beating Glen Morris 7 to 1 in the final finishing first out of 28 schools. The team displayed excellent teamwork, skill and sporting behavior. Congratulations Dargons: Tyler L, Patrick W, Ryan K, Jacob S, Will W, Reuben N, Max A, Jacob A, Luke B and Ethan k.

The intermediate girls 3-pitch team played in their tournament at Green Lanes in Paris. The girls went undefeated in their pool, defeating Burford, North Ward and Mt. Pleasant with their consistent offense and solid defense. The girls continued their strong play in the semi-finals against Greenbrier, defeating them 11-6. In the finals, the girls demonstrated grit and persistence, but fell to a very strong hitting J.C. Hill. Our team consistently showed heart, sportsmanship, excellent skill and made St. George-German extremely proud! Members of our team were: Jordan M, Brooke P, Hannah R, Katelyn V, Mekenzie D, Kara W, Ava H, Abby T, Olivia W, Stacy R, Grace W, Serena G & Ella A. A special thank you to Aislinn B for her outstanding pitching! Congratulations girls!!!

More Baseball News

Congratulations to the Jr. Co-ed 3 Pitch team who recently claimed the throne as BCESAA champs. The day started off at Green Lane, where they were placed in a pool with Cobblestone and Emily C. General. The Dragons were able to defeat Cobblestone easily, with a score of 10-5. However, the next game, against EC General, proved to be much more difficult. St. George narrowly won this game 5-4. In the quarter finals, St. George played against Burford, who had also won all of their pool play games. The previous matches had prepared the dragons well, as they dominated the quarter finals 14-5. To see who would be crowned the morning champs, St. George played against Oliver M. Smith. Despite a last inning rally by O M Smith, St. George maintained their composure to win that game 11-7. The ever flexible Dragons then had to wait an entire week to play Branlyn in the finals, but when the day finally arrived the "Home Team" came out swinging! St. George did not allow a single run until the 4th inning, while crushing singles, doubles, triples and even a couple homeruns when they were up to bat. With a landslide victory, the St. George Dragons beat the Branlyn Bulldogs 12-4.

Special shout outs to team members Ty P, Madeline H, Pyper M, Sam S and Rowan W for their spectacular extra base hits; Owen and Carter L, Nathan W, Chloe A and Jadenn H for their strong defensive play; Rhys M and Lauren M for delivering consistent, beautiful strikes.

Terry Fox Run

It was **37 years ago** that a young man from British Columbia captivated Canadians with his determination, commitment and energy to find a cure for cancer. **His name was Terry Fox**. This year our school will be holding an event to commemorate Terry's inspirational "*Marathon of Hope*". All students and staff will be gathering on the soccer field and participating in a half hour walk/run within the school premises. Millions of students are expected to participate across Canada. The event will take place on **Friday October 6, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.** Parents /Guardians are welcome to join us for this very special occasion.

Since Terry's Marathon of Hope in 1980, 36 annual Terry Fox Runs have contributed more than \$500 million for cancer research. In order to support the Terry Fox foundation and ongoing cancer research, every participant is *encouraged* (every student will participate no matter if they bring a toonie or not) to donate two dollars. We are calling it "**Toonies for Terry**".

"Even though I am not running anymore, we still have to try to find a cure for cancer. Other people should go ahead and try to do their own thing now." (Terry Fox, September 2, 1980)

Mrs. Sellar, Mme. Chaplin and the Student Leadership Team

Student Leadership Team

We received an overwhelming amount of applications for the Student Leadership Team from Grade 7-8 students this year, which is a sign that it is going to be a great year! Eight lucky students from the executive membership will be attending We Day in Toronto on September 28th, where they will be inspired by speakers and artists (such as Hedley, Vanessa Hudgens, George Takei and Andre Degraesse!) to create positive change in the world -- both locally and globally. Stay tuned to learn more about Me to We, We Day and the impact that this event had on our intermediate leaders.

If your (Gr. 4-8) child is interested in local and global issues, school spirit and/or special events, encourage him or her to get involved in our SLT. Our class reps will be chosen by the end of September and we will meet every other Tuesday, starting in October. We are already looking forward to helping Mrs. Sellar organize the Terry Fox Run on October 6th and are sure to need lots of help organizing other worthwhile events this year!

Ukulele Orchestra

A beginner ukulele orchestra will start the week of October 23rd. Registration is the week of October 16th. We will meet every week on day 3 during second nutrition break, and every Monday after school from 3:10 pm to 4:00 pm. The club is limited to 20 grade 3 students (for now). There is a fee of \$5 to cover the maintenance of the instruments. Teachers in charge will be, Mme Rochette, Mrs McMullen & Mr Haggith.

School Safety Reminders

Please be reminded to continue crossing at the corner of College Street with the crossing guard at the beginning and end of the school day as it is the safest way to come and go from the school in that direction. We are also asking not to bring or send glass containers onto the property with students as fragments are dangerous when containers break. By working together we will all benefit from safe practices and a safe environment at the school. Thanks!

School Council News...Thank You!

After a number of fantastic years as Chair of School Council we say goodbye and thank you to Darielle Clayton-Thomas. New adventures are just down the road for her and with this change comes new Co-Chairs. We welcome Shelley Beatty and Lisa Lee into this role.

We also have a number of wonderful parents on our committee and we want to say thank you to each of them for all of your dedication to helping to make this school a great place for our children! We look forward to working with you this school year!

We would also like to welcome any and all parents who have an interest in joining us...

Ever wonder what School Council does?

*We plan and organize fundraising events and decide where and how our fundraising dollars are spent.

*We work with the school's principal, vice-principal and teachers, discussing issues and problems that arise in the school year and we work together to reach a reasonable solution.

*We plan educational entertainment for our students, whether it is through fundraising or grants.

Come and join us if you want to contribute to your child's school, if you want to provide input on certain issues or if you want to find out why things are done the way they are. Our council meetings are typically the 1st Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm in the Staff Room at the front of the school. If you are unable to make meetings but still are able to participate in other ways please let us know as we would still enjoy having you on council!

Due to the PA Day this month's School Council meeting is Tuesday

October 17th at 6:30pm

Come join us all are welcome!!

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the Meet the Teacher BBQ and to Lions Club and FoodTown for their donations and hard work to help make this event a great one!