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## Message from the Principal

We are almost through October, but it still feels like early September with this beautiful weather we are having! Congratulations to all of our students who participated in orienteering at the beginning of the month. It takes real dedication to be out in the rain and wind like they did. Also, congratulations to our cross country runners who participated in their first meet last week! Our grade three team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, our grade 4 team finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and our grade 8 team finished 2<sup>nd</sup>. We also had many of our students finish in the top 10, including Miranda Belk who finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in her race and Wyatt Salzer who finished 1st in his race.

Coming up in November, we will be having our October Awards assembly and Colour House Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. We love seeing everyone in their colour house colours on these special spirit days! We also have our Remembrance Day assembly and our annual Harvest Meal on November 10<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to our wonderful School Council and volunteers for making this happen again!

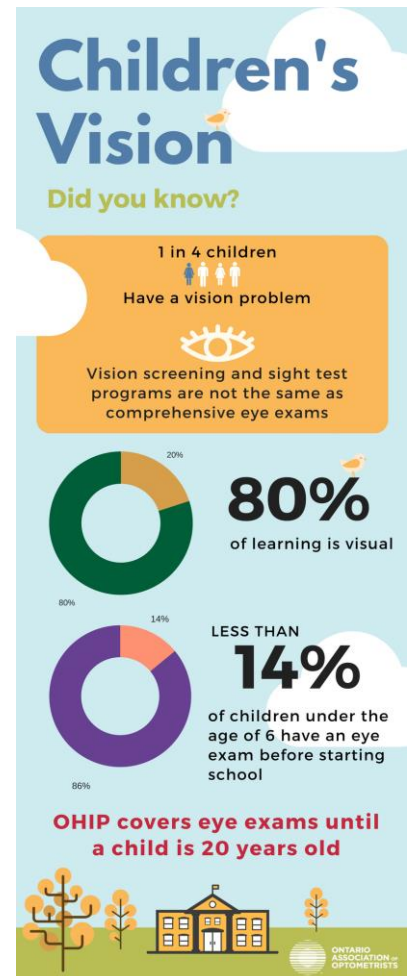
Progress reports will be going home the week of November 13<sup>th</sup> and parent/teacher interviews will be happening on the evening of the 16<sup>th</sup> and the morning of the 17<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to seeing you all and sharing in the progress of your child.

Thank you to everyone who has registered for our cashless banking system! We have 87% of our students signed up, but we haven't been able to give away a pizza party yet! We have 2 classes that just need one more student to sign up. Please let us know at the office if you need help getting signed up.

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### Reminders to Parents

- Please make every effort to email, phone or use the agenda to communicate with your child's teacher, rather than trying to speak with them before class or at dismissal.
- Call the school before 8:40 to report your child's absence
- Call in before 2:30 for end of day changes and requests.
- All bus changes must be made in writing, in order for the office to issue a bus pass. Also, we need notes from both sets of parents involved.
- Parents/guardians must report to the office to sign-in or sign-out students.
- Parents are asked to wait by the front entrance while a staff member gets their child for them, rather than going down the hall yourself.
- No parking or stopping in the driveway when picking up or dropping off students. This is an emergency fire route and must be kept clear at all times.



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## A is for... Attendance



Every school day counts. A child's regular attendance at school sets the stage for academic success and frequent absences can have a significant impact on a child's educational experience.

Students need to be present and engaged in order to learn. Missing two and a half days of school each month equates to students missing one full month of instruction!

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