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****Reminder Tuesday, October 3rd is a PD Day****

Message from the Principal

October is a wonderful month to celebrate and be thankful! At Walpole, we are very thankful for our wonderful staff who work very hard to provide excellent classroom experiences for our students as well as co-curricular activities. This month, Kindergarten and Grade 1's are working together on STEM projects, some Intermediate students are becoming involved in a coding/robotics technology club, and Junior and Intermediate students are participating in soccer, cross country, and orienteering. We are looking forward to a wonderful Harvest Dinner on Oct. 6th and are also very thankful for our parent community who support such great events for our students.

School Council

Our first School Council Meeting was held on Sept. 25th. Thank you to the parents who came out to get us off to a great start. Watch for the minutes of the meeting to be posted on the school website under School Council. Our next meeting will be on October 23rd at 6:00PM. Please join us. School Council is a great way to find out what's happening at the school, meet new friends, and make a difference for the students.

Nutrition Program

The Nutrition Program begins on Oct. 3rd. Students will receive a nutritious snack from two food groups on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings, every week. Thanks to the parents for volunteering to prepare and deliver the snacks. We are still in need of parent volunteers to help out once or twice per month for about 40 minutes in the morning. Please call the school to let us know if you can help.

Harvest Dinner

Our Harvest Dinner will take place on Friday, Oct. 6th at approximately 12:30pm. Thank you to parent volunteers who have already offered to help out. If you can help out for an hour or two, please contact the office. All students please remember to bring your own utensils and non-breakable plate. Make sure you have returned the Harvest Dinner form, and pay the \$7 on CashOnline.

Drive4Playground with Heaslip Ford

A huge thank you to Heaslip Ford and Ford Canada for supporting us in our recent Drive4Playground event. Lots of parents, staff, and friends came out and took a Ford for a test drive. 149 test drives! That's \$2980! We also received some generous donations from individuals that night, bringing our total raised to \$3400! Thanks to everyone for your support as we begin to make plans for our new playground.

Safety Patrol Program

Safety patrols were trained last Friday. Thanks to the students for volunteering and for Mrs. Cecchin for being the Safety Patrol Champion Teacher. All students need to be aware that bus patrols help keep us safe. Students must listen to their instructions and stay safe on the bus.

Go Wildcats!

The Junior and Intermediate Soccer, Orienteering and Cross Country teams are working hard to prepare for their tournaments. Junior Soccer takes place on Oct. 4th and Intermediate is on Oct. 5th, coached by Mr. Harris. The Cross Country Meet takes place on Oct. 19th, coached by Mrs. Parsons and Orienteering takes place on October 11th with Mr. Schmidt. Go Wildcats!

Fire Drills

During October we will conduct 3 fire drills. Students will learn the routines of evacuating the building safely. Teachers will practice with them in advance.

Peanut and Nut-Safe School

We are a nut-aware school. Please check your child's lunch to be sure that any peanut, nut, or "may contain" products are not brought to school. We have students with life-threatening allergies. Thanks for your ongoing support to keep our school safe.

Lice

Please be sure to check your child's hair for lice and nits. We will check classes as needed at the school. If you are aware of lice, please let us know so we can do our part to keep it from spreading.

Halloween activities

Once again Walpole will have their annual school parade on Monday, October 31st for all grades beginning at 11:45AM. Families are welcome to join us for this portion of the day.

Other spooky plans include classroom activities and dancing in the gym. Grades 6-8 classes will hold a dance during the last block.

Please do not send homemade baked goods for treats.

Any treats must be packaged and labelled as nut-free.

Do not send treats that say "may contain nuts or peanuts". Thanks for checking.

Ensure that your child's costume does not include a mask or any costume "weapons" such as hatchets, swords, etc.

Walpole North Star Assembly

Academic: Owen B., Claire D., Ayden L., Jillian V., Brooklyn M., Lucy D., Mackenzie R., Kaitlyn H. & Indy R.

Junior French: Cassidy D.

Intermediate French: Eliza M.

Character Attribute- Responsibility: Charlotte G., Olivia G., Olivia M., Lucas L., Avery M., Hailey L., Ayden P., Jayden P., Skarlett W., Amelia M. & Bella F.

Walpole North Star Student Leaders: Kane S., Margan P., Alexis B., Jayden M., Emma H., Olivia M., Isabelle H., Logan L., Noah M. & Valerie B.

Lunchable Movie Pass Winner: Ryan F.

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