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Character Attribute for April

Inclusiveness

During the month of April, we are working on demonstrating Inclusiveness. Students are encouraged to help create an environment where everyone is welcome and included. Invite someone to play your game, listen to others' opinions, make friends with someone new!

Math at Walpole

Students have been making great gains in their risk-taking in problem-solving. In solving problems, classes are using "Math Talk" to discuss all of the many ways to think about numbers.

Try it at home. Which of these numbers doesn't belong? (hint: there may be more than one "right" answer.)

9	16
25	43

Mindfulness Day and Night

Mark your calendar for April 11th from 6:00-7:30 for a family evening of Mindfulness at Walpole North!

Paige Logan will be leading us in a Family Yoga Session in the gym. Bring a towel or yoga mat. This session will focus on, fun, movement, and finding a connection with our breath, uniting as one. You will be lead through a series of partner, as well as individual asanas (poses). Building strength, awareness, balance, and concentration on both the mind, and body.

Other sessions will be available in the classrooms. We are focusing on "being" in the moment using games and activities including:

*Zen Doodle * DIY Essential Oil Bracelets * DIY stress balls * Kid Meditation Apps * Reflexology for kids * Mind-Up breathing techniques.

Namaste.

Growing Excellence... Inspiring Success

Student Leadership Recognition

At the March Assembly, the following students were

 $recognized for their \, efforts: \\$

Academic: Addison M., Damian B., Olivia M., Zoey L., Shane J., Roryn V., Shelby A., Harper G., Jayden P.,

Daylon F., Lucas L.

Junior French: Rocco P.

Intermediate French: Leah M.

Character Attribute- Respect: Kenzie R., Bryce H., Summer S., Nathan T., Dana G., Zak S., Logan H., Laila W., Coletin H., Ravyn V., Justin V.

Walpole North Star Student Leaders: Tyson L., Moxie L., Charlee S., Lucas L, Avery M., Reid P., Molly D., Lindsay M., Cody Y.

School Council News

Thank you to our School Council volunteers. They have been busy making a difference at Walpole! Here is an update on our Playground Fundraising. Over the past few months we have received donations from parents and grandparents as well as funds from our Family Dance. We have also added \$5 000 from our School Chocolate Bar Fundraiser to the Playground Fund. It now stands at \$23 844.95! This is a huge amount to have raised in less than one year. Congratulations to the committee and thank you to our donors! Coming up we will be having a Car Wash and Cruise Night.

Currently, we are running our Spring Raffle. Be sure to get your ticket books back to the school and request more. The draw takes place on May 7th, just in time for Mother's Day. The grand prize is a \$600 gift card of your choice! Good luck in the draw. You can read the School Council minutes on the Walpole Website at

http://www.granderie.ca/schools/walpolenorth

ALLERGY ALERT!

Please remember that we have several students and staff with allergies to peanuts and all tree nuts. If your child is celebrating a birthday, please do not send homemade cake or cupcakes or treats from restaurants or stores that bake with nuts. Only store bought items, labelled "nut free" are permitted. Thanks for helping us stay safe.

EDUCATION WEEK May 7-11

Grandparent and V.I.P. Day – May 10th

Grandparents and VIP's are invited to Walpole North on May 10th. A VIP could be your child's grandparent, aunt, uncle, special friend or neighbour. Come out to meet the teachers, have fun with some activities, and have some refreshments. We are looking forward to meeting your Grandparent or Very Important Person!

Book Fair May 9th -11th

The Book Fair will be held in the library during Education Week. What better way is there to celebrate education than by reading a good book? Watch for the flyer coming home soon. All proceeds from the book fair go towards building our school library.

EQAO Dates

Mark your calendars for EQAO from May 22nd to June 1st. Students in Grades 3 and 6 will be participating in this assessment. Please don't schedule any medical appointments or trips if possible. More information will be sent home to parents of these two grades.

<u>Cruise Night</u>- Save the date for Tuesday June 5th! Cruise Night was so much fun last year we've decided to have it again. Classic cars, kid-cars, music, food, prizes. More information will follow soon. Start planning your kid-car now!

Upcoming Dates

April 10- Sanderson Trip for Primary classes

April 11- Mindfulness Day and Night

April 13- PD day- No school for students

April 19- Taquanyah trip for grades 2, 4, 6

April 23rd- Photos for Grade 8's and SK's

April 24th- Raptors-Birds of Prey at Walpole

April 27th- Walpole North Star Assembly

May 10th- Grandparents and VIP day

May 9th -11th- Bookfair

May 22nd -June 1st –EQAO

Track and Field Date TBA week of May 14th

June 5th- Cruise Night

June 6th –Supermeet

June 24th- Grade 8 Graduation