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OCTOBER WENT BY IN A BLUR!



Terry Fox Day at Elgin

On Monday, October 3, students at Elgin gathered in the gym to hear about the life and accomplishments of Terry Fox. They heard how he has inspired and helped people around the world with his heroic efforts. Then our grade 3 and 4 teacher, Ms. Ashenden spoke about her battle with cancer last year. She explained how she benefitted from the advances in cancer treatment thanks to the work of organizations like the Terry Fox Foundation for Cancer Research.

Everyone then headed for the Elgin backyard and began their own Terry Fox Walk/Run in support of cancer research. It was uplifting to see over 200 staff and students participating together in Terry's name! Thanks to the contributions of our staff, students and families, we were able to raise almost \$3000 to further the work of the Terry Fox Fund for Cancer Research. Our goal was to raise at least \$500, and since we far surpassed that amount, students were able to take part in some spirited "pie throwing" at the faces of some brave teachers. Top fundraisers from each classroom got to "throw" plates of whipped cream into the faces of Mrs. Chwastiak, Mrs. Keast, Mrs. Sullivan and Ms. Ashenden. Check out the pictures in this newsletter to see how this fun was enjoyed by all!

This is the 19th year that Elgin has taken part in the Terry Fox School Run Day and Elgin has raised over \$14 000 through this work. Thanks to everyone for your support of this worthwhile cause. Terry would be proud of all of us!







UPCOMING IN NOVEMBER!

- 2nd Gr. 8 Day at SCS
- 7th Picture Retake Day
- 11th Remembrance Day
- 15th Parent Group 6-7pm
- 17th Parent/Teacher Interviews in pm
- 18th Parent/Teacher Interviews in am

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR INTERMIEDIATE STUDENTS FOR HELPING TO ORGANIZE OUR HOT LUNCHES THIS YEAR.

Pizza Tuesdays in combination with Domino's Pizza:

• November 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29th

Pita Thursdays in combination with The Pita Pit:

November 3, 10, 17, and 24th



Respect was the Character Trait for October. The Character Trait for November is Inclusiveness/Cooperation.

In Sports....

Sports Reminder

We are so lucky to have parents who are eager to watch their child participate on our various sports teams. Parents are welcome to watch games and tournaments. **Try-outs and practices are not open for "parent viewing"**. Thank you for supporting all of our students – we are proud of our Eagles!





A congratulations goes out to the intermediate soccer team for winning the Norfolk Division A Championship. They are pictured on the left and will travelling to Brantford on Monday, October 24th to play in the C.A.G.E tournament. We wish them luck! Thank you goes out to Mr. Found for volunteering his time and expertise. Also, thank you to all of our drivers that helped make this possible.

Cross Country (picture to the right) took place on Friday, October 14th at Memorial Park/Lynn Valley Trail. We had awesome weather and great participation from all. Riley Hunter placed 1st in his age category. Owen Found place 4th in his age category. Thank you goes out to Mrs. Walker and Ms. Bartlett for taking the time to train the athletes.

Intermediate volleyball tryouts have occurred and the team has been set. Practices will continue to run for those team members. Thank you goes out to Mrs. Sullivan and Mrs. Auld for running this sport.







FUN AT THE FAIR Young Canada Day October 4th





Parent/Teacher Interviews

Progress Reports will be coming home the week of November 14th. Please note that the information is based on the first 8 weeks of school and a lot of the content is review. November 17th (in the evening) and November 18th (in the morning) have been set aside for parent/teacher interviews. You will need to make an appointment through the paperwork that will come home with your child.

WE DAY – OCTOBER 19th

Celebrating the Everyday Change-Maker

"WE Day is a powerful, lifechanging experience with worldrenowned speakers and performers, mixed with real inspirational stories of change."

16 lucky students from grade 6-8 travelled to Toronto on Wednesday, October 19th during the evening and participated in an inspiring night with numerous guest speakers including: Chris Hadfield, Hedley and the cofounders of WE – Chris and Marc Keilburger. A huge thank you goes out to Madame Truman, Mrs. Keast, Mrs. Bartlett and Mrs. Ferguson for going with the students and to Ms. Jonker for organizing this event.





Reminder that we are a nut-aware school. All food brought into the school must be nut-free.

If families choose to send in food for a class party, Halloween etc., it MUST be store-purchased and indicate that it is nut-free.

Homemade treats, while delicious, are not to be brought in to be shared.

Thank-you for keeping the safety of all our students a priority.

"Students in Mrs. Richardson's room completing a S.T.E.M. challenge."



TAKE ME OUTSIDE DAY

OCTOBER 26TH

Students may be going outside for some learning time during this day. Look for pictures in next month's newspaper.

Introducing Your Students' Council Body for 2016-2017



Back Row (Left to Right)- Maggie S (Colour House Co-ordinator), Cierra P, Carley L (Social Convenors), Sihler B (President), Ben M (Class Rep), Riley H (Vice President)

Front Row (Left to Right) – Traytin W (Treasurer), Anderson A (Class Rep), Diana P (Colour House Coordinator), Maddy T (Class Rep), Carson K (Treasurer), Carson H (Class Rep)

<u>Upcoming Spirit Days for</u> <u>November:</u>

- 4th Elgin Day
- 11th Black and White Day with Poppies
- 25th Mustache Day

Elgin Students will be fundraising for our local United Way, by hosting Tuesday Toque Day. This will be held on Tuesday, November 8th, all students participating will pay \$1.00 to wear their toque.