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## *Newsletter #2 October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017*

### **Mrs. Scott's Scoop:**

I apologize for the lateness of this newsletter. I have been having so much fun at school that I forgot to do the October newsletter for the first Friday of this month. ☺ Bad principal!

We had a great time getting back into the swing of things for this school year. The soccer team has started to play games, and our players are doing an amazing job representing our school. We are undefeated so far. ☺ Thank you to Mr. Norton and Ms. Hooper for coaching this year.



### **Individual Student Photos:**

The photographer came to take pictures of our students and the proofs were handed to each student. The orders had to be into the office by Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>. Please note: If your child was absent for the original photos, or if you have chosen not to order from the first previews, there will be a retake day on Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

### **Book Fair:**

Thanks so much to everyone for your incredible support of our scholastic book fair. Even though it was a short three-day event, we were able to sell \$2446.05 worth of product, which translates into \$1592.38 of books for our school!! I was able to get some wonderful books for our 100-night Home Reading prizes as well as many books for the library! Thanks to all who came out and checked out the book fair. I am grateful for your support and I know the students of Bernard will enjoy reading brand new books. Congratulations to Tyler M. and Mrs. Smith who were our lucky winners of the Family Event Door Prize. Tyler won \$25 worth of books for himself AND \$25 worth of books for his teacher.



Gratefully, Mrs. Ens

### **Terry Fox:**

We are so proud of our students! We set a goal of \$450 for our Terry Fox Run, and they brought in over \$1600.00 😊 We would like to thank all of our families for your incredible support in helping to find a cure for all cancers. Mr. Hanson and I were “stuck to the gym wall” today with duct tape, and we thanked all of our students for supporting this wonderful cause.



### **Orange “Shirt” Day Acknowledgement:**

All students and parents in our community were encouraged to wear orange on September 29<sup>th</sup> in order to raise awareness of our shared history and in support of acknowledging what happened for Aboriginal Residential School students. We embrace diversity in our schools and we want to recognize that “every child matters”!

*“EVERY CHILD MATTERS - Truth & Reconciliation”*



### **Volunteer Orientation:**

Are you planning to volunteer in our school this year? If so, all you have to do is complete a volunteer orientation with Mrs. Scott, complete a criminal record form, and, if driving students on fieldtrips, fill in a driver’s insurance form. Every volunteer must participate in a volunteer orientation before helping out at the school. The volunteer orientations took place last month, but please contact Mrs. Scott at the school and she will arrange to meet with you at another time for your individual orientation.

### **Bike Auction:**

On October 21<sup>st</sup>, the Chilliwack Restorative Justice Association will be holding their annual bike auction at our school. The bike preview will start at 9:00 a.m. and the auction will start at 10:00 a.m. Hope to see you there. 😊

### **Cut and Carve/Costume Parade:**

On Tuesday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, we will be having our annual “Cut and Carve”. Students can bring in their carved pumpkins (vegetables, gourds, etc.) on the morning of Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>. Parents are allowed to “help” their children with this activity. Students will bring these home on the same day. Get your carving utensils

ready, Bernard families ☺! We can't wait to see your creations. Your child can wear a costume on this day. Costumes must be tasteful (nothing scary because of our little ones). Also, students must check with their teachers to see when they can change into their costumes at school. Some classes will be getting changed in the afternoon, and some may be wearing their costumes for the day. We will hold a costume parade in the afternoon.



**Remembrance Day Assembly:**

Our special assembly will take place on Friday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> (10:30). We would like to have as many parents as possible come and help us to remember the soldiers, and celebrate the fact that we live in a peaceful country. If you have a little one with you at this assembly, we ask that, if they act up, you take them out of the gym please. This is a serious assembly with many quiet moments, and we wouldn't want the distraction of a little one to impact the message we want to bring to our students. Thank you for your support of this.



**Ideas For Families:**

Last year, we started an "Attendance Matters" campaign in our school. We discovered that, with hard work, we were seeing fewer and fewer students getting to school late, or missing school on a regular basis. We are so proud of the efforts of all of our families to get their children to school on time. Just as a reminder about why we are spending so much time and energy on this, I have attached an article that discusses five things that you need to know about attendance at school. Poor attendance and being late for school can be heartbreaking for so many of our students, especially students who are struggling with their learning. Together, with hard work, we can change this. ☺

<http://www.sncdsb.on.ca/blog/5-things-you-must-know-about-school-attendance>

**Dates to Remember:**

- Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> K's go to the Pumpkin Patch 9:00 - 11:30
- Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> Professional Day - no school
- Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> Bike Auction - 9:00 a.m.
- Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> Picture Retakes

- Oct. 27<sup>th</sup> Hot Lunch - Subway ☺
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> Cut and Carve/Costume Parade
- Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> Mrs. Vogt/Mrs. Trasolini take their students bowling
- Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day Assembly at 10:30
- Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> No school

