Has anyone seen September? No one around here knows where it went, and wherever it went, it sure went fast. 10% of the school year is already over. Teachers are working hard to teach the curriculum but, more importantly, to teach your children. There’s a big difference. Both are important, but children come first. An individual teacher can make a big difference in the life of a child, and an individual student can make a big difference in a classroom or even a school. Our “Big Idea” this year is “Unless someone like you…”. The quotation comes from the Dr. Suess story The Lorax: “Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, nothing is going to get better. It’s not.” Take a few minutes to discuss with your child what this means and how it might apply to life at school.

Meet the Teacher Night

Thanks for joining us on Meet the Teacher Night. The atmosphere was positive, and we saw many smiling faces – especially the faces belonging to students who were eating sundaes. If you didn’t get a chance to attend, please call the school and introduce yourself to your child’s teacher. Communication between parents and teachers is critical to a successful school experience.

Family Portrait Night

As a service to our school community, and as a school fundraiser, the School Council has booked Lifetouch Photography for Wednesday, October 10th from 6 pm to 8 pm in our school library. With Christmas on the horizon, this may be a service which interests you. Not only can you order portraits for grandparents and friends, but you can order Christmas cards too. Sorry – no pets. There is a sitting fee of $20 which goes directly to school fundraising. Once you pay this fee you are entitled to 6 poses and one COMPLIMENTARY 8X10 portrait. Please call 705-792-9603 OR 1866-299-7774 extension 27 to book your appointment.

Triple P Parenting

These seminars are for parents with 2 - 6 year old children. They are: Triple P: The Power of Positive Parenting: Monday, November 5, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Join us to learn how to help your child develop the skills they need to do their best at school, make friends, feel good about themselves and handle problems. Triple P: Raising Confident, Competent Children: Monday, November 12, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Create a foundation of success for school and life. Learn and explore how to help your child show respect, learn cooperation, build self-esteem, be successful in school, relate positively to others and solve problems. Triple P: Raising Resilient Children: Monday, November 19, 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Children need to learn to cope with everyday feelings, strong emotions and stressful situations and events. Examine 6 building blocks to help your child manage
emotions in a healthy way. Limited child care available for children ages 0 - 6. Registration for the series begins October 3 at 9:00 a.m. Ends October 26th. Please call the Centre at 905 775 3039, ext. 229 to register.

Dogs on the Property

Many of us at school are dog lovers, but schools are for fish and people, not dogs. Please leave dogs at home. Thank you.

Magazine Fundraiser

Our always successful magazine fundraiser is underway. You have until October 12 to complete your paper or online order. Buying magazines is a great way to encourage reading, and when you buy through QSP, you support the school too. Order magazines for your own family, or do some early Christmas shopping. A magazine subscription is a great Christmas gift – the receiver gets to open the “new” gift every month.

Fridge Magnet

Students will be bringing home a fridge magnet for your fridge or any magnetic surface everyone regularly sees. It is a reminder of our big idea this year “Unless someone like you…”, and also is a reminder to check out the school website regularly. The phone number is a reminder to call the school if your child is going to be absent.

Terry Fox

Our Terry Fox run generated $738.00 this year. Thank you to parents and students who donated money to help raise money for cancer research in honour of Terry Fox.

Field Trip Costs

If you require financial assistance for any field trip, please contact Mrs. Golding or Mr. Peck.

Parents (and others who visit the school)

For the safety of your child, it is imperative that all visiting adults, parents or otherwise, first check in at the office. Please do not walk to your child’s classroom; please do not come into your child’s classroom at the beginning of the day.

Pizza Sales and Toonie Tuesdays

Don’t forget to bring in a toonie per slice on Tuesdays. Pizza purchased on Tuesday is delivered a week later on Wednesday.

Some Important Upcoming Dates

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