

ELMDALE SCHOOL

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Mr. Campbell's Principal's Message

We have had a wonderful start to the school year. The students, staff, and families have been very welcoming to me as we begin our journey together, and I am truly grateful for the kind words and introductions.

This past month we have participated in strong connects, celebrated the life of Terry Fox, and kicked off our grade 1 reading program. Strong connections was extremely successful for teachers as they were able to spend valuable time building relationships with their students, as well as incorporate some assessment practices during the day.

We celebrated Terry Fox's life by challenging our students to fill Terry's bucket with money. Students met this challenge by raising \$565.00 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Thank you to all our families for supporting our students in this challenge.

Our Grade 1 reading program is an exciting time for students, parents and teachers. These are the early moments when children take their first steps in learning how to read. We thank you in advance for the collaboration that is needed for such a program to be successful to the children.

Have a great October!

Summer Reading

This summer 88 students completed the summer reading challenge. That is 40 more students than last year! Way to go, Elmdale. These students had lunch with Mr. Campbell provided by Boston Pizza. Thank you, Boston Pizza. You've been a generous supporter of our reading program.

Costume Parade

A costume parade will be held at Elmdale School at 2:30 pm on Oct. 30th. Please avoid scary costumes so that all children can have fun.

School Photo Day—Wednesday, Oct. 7

All students recently received their Picture Day order forms. To order pictures, please return your order form and payment to the school with your child on picture day. Orders can also be placed online at mylife-

touch.ca using the school ID code found on the brochure. Orders may be placed up to 48 hours after Picture Day online. All students will be photographed for the school database.



Parent Advisory Council News

The next Parent Advisory Council meeting along with the Annual General Meeting will be on **October 15 at 7:00 pm**. New members are welcome.

Soup's On" School Lunches

"Soup's On" provides daily school lunches to families in need. It can be started and stopped as needed. Email Ms. Marge Thiessen (mthiessen@hsd.ca) or call the school office (204-326-3325) to register your child.



Hearing Screening—Oct. 5-8

All students in Kindergarten and Grade One will have their hearing screened. Let your classroom teacher know if you want your Grade 2-4 child screened.

Skating

Skating is a required part of our Phys.Ed program and will begin in a few weeks for grades 2-4. Class schedules will be sent home in the agenda. Parents (with completed vol-



unteer checks) are needed to help tie skates as well as transport skates. We encourage students to have their own skates & hockey helmets to promote physical activity. Skates can be purchased at the MCC Thrift Store. They also can be borrowed from the school if needed.

Princi-pal Awards

Congratulations to the following September Princi-pal Award recipients for the theme of building empathy:

Brycen B. 2F Hannah D. 3T Ryder W. 2T Sophie H. 4M Corina F. 4D Jonah D. 2R Rylen F. 3G Teryl N. 1J

Emily T. 1E Marvin H. 3B Sara D. 1M