

### Upcoming Events

**Sept. 13 :** P.D. Day (no school for students)

**Sept. 18:** Picture Day!

**Sept. 19:** Meet the Teacher Night!

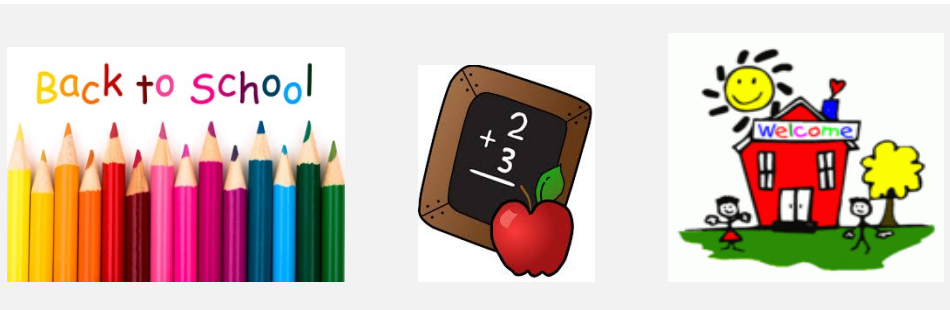
**Sept. 24:** Scholastic Book Orders due (preferred method of payment is through Parent Pay on the website, but I will accept cash or cheque as well).

**T.B.D.:** Terry Fox Run

# Grade 4/5 Newsletter

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### Welcome back!

Welcome to the beginning of another wonderful school year! I trust everyone had an amazing summer and managed to enjoy the beautiful days we had in a variety of fun ways- I know I sure did! As much as I'm sad summer has come to an end, I'm very much looking forward to this school year and hope you and your child are too!

### Agendas & Remind 101

Agendas are used daily in our classroom. This is the most direct form of communication from school to home (and vise-versa), so it is very important that students use this organizational tool. Agendas are \$5.00 which can be paid via school cash online. Some students wish to use their own personal agenda instead of the ones available from the school, and that is perfectly fine. ***I do ask that parents take a moment to initial their child's agenda nightly so that I know the agenda has been seen.*** I check for parent/guardian initials every morning. Thank you in advance for your help in ensuring the agendas are used ☺

Remind 101 is a free downloadable app that I use as secondary means of communication from school to home and vise-versa (agendas are the primary method). This is a great way to get important reminders sent directly to your cell phone or e-mail, or for you and I to have brief conversations in a private chat forum. Your phone number/private information (such as e-mail address or phone number) is not seen by myself, nor is mine available to be seen by you. Attached to this newsletter you will find instructions on how to subscribe to this fabulous communication tool. For more information, visit: [www.remind.com](http://www.remind.com).

### Newsletters

After this point, our monthly classroom newsletter will be solely posted on the JH website (sorry- no paper handouts will be sent home). Newsletters contain important dates & information and are usually posted by the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month (or close to). Parents are strongly encouraged to read it each month so that nothing important is accidentally missed.

### Notes & Reminders:

- Students need to have proper footwear at school for physical education classes. They may also change into gym clothes if they so wish (especially in pant/sweater season). If so, a small bag for their gym clothes and a deodorant stick (optional) would be beneficial. We have gym on Cycle days 3 & 5 (please refer to the GEDSB calendar for the days of the week that these cycle days will fall on- it changes with any holidays/PD Days).
- Refillable water bottles are **highly** recommended. Students will not be permitted to keep open canisters on their desks and leaving the room repeatedly for sips at the fountain can become disruptive to their learning.



**I have read and received the September newsletter with my child.**

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:**

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