

October Newsletter, 2019

Dates to Remember

- October 4 Photo Day
- October 7-15 Funky Sock Drive – donate new socks in support of United Way and Nova Vita
- October 8 PA Day
- October 14 Thanksgiving Day
- October 23 Mrs. Dietrich's gr. 1, Mrs. Martyniuk's gr.1/2 and Mrs. Vanka's gr. 2/3 class to the Children's Safety Village
- October 23 Bus Evacuation Training
- October 24 Lockdown Practice
- October 31 Hallowe'en Parade-parents/family members can wait in the gym beginning at 9 am. The parade begins in Mrs. Herron's room at 8:50 am and will work its way through the classes, ending in the gym. **Please note: this is the correct information...not what I have on our school website.**

Principal's Message...

Thank you to our families for attending the Meet the Teacher night. It was great to see everyone. Thank you to the parents that signed up to volunteer with our young students doing the Strong Start language program. We also had 37 families sign up for the School Council email.

We've had some sporting events as well occurring in the month of September. Thanks to Ms. McGeein for taking our Jr. students to the 3 Pitch tournament, Mr. Neeb for taking our Intermediate boys to their tournament and to Mr. Nicholson for taking our Intermediate girls to their tournament.

The School Council Parent Group are having pizza days this year as their main fundraiser. The first pizza day will be announced soon. When we begin, the order will be displayed on the School Cashless Online site. Harvey's Nights are also starting soon. Please be patient as we work out the details.

On the PA day, the staff and I will look at our EQAO results, focus on improving our math teaching, and writing our school plan. We will analyze the EQAO results and identify our strengths and needs in math. We will make a plan for how we can improve our results this year using our school achievement plan. This plan will drive our work during staff meetings and PA days. We will also look at our Student Census results and discuss plans to meet any identified student needs.

This month, we will be contributing to the United Way. Grand Erie District School Board supports the United Way. Their goal is to have each school contribute to the United Way. We

will support the United Way through two initiatives in October. First, we will have an impromptu popcorn day where all sales will go towards the United Way. We are also having a “Funky” sock drive, collecting new socks from baby to adult sizes. These new socks will then be donated to Nova Vita-one organization supported by the United Way.

I thank all of you for your support and patience this month. It truly is appreciated.

Mrs. Brittain
Principal

From the Board of Education...

Please read the newsletter on “How to get Help with a Concern.”