

WEST LYNN PUBLIC SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | October 2020

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Jim Cottam – Principal

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Upcoming Important Days

October 12 – Thanksgiving
Holiday

October 16 – West Lynn Spirit
Wear Day

October 31 – Halloween

**(more information will follow
soon regarding our plans for
Halloween)**



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October Greetings

Cooler mornings are here, but we've been lucky to have warm sunny days (for the most part) in September. The routines of classrooms are established, and teachers and students are well underway teaching and learning.

To say this year has been a unique start to the year is somewhat of an understatement. So many of the traditional activities associated with the start of school cannot happen in their normal ways. This has left a void and I know we all feel it. That said, the core business of learning is well underway. You may have questions about what learning looks like this year and how you can ensure your child has a safe and successful school year. As always, the classroom teacher is the best source of information for school-related questions and I encourage you to reach out if you want to know more about how to help and support the academic growth of your child or children.

Please remember to check your email regularly as that will be the primary way we reach out and communicate important information with families. As we have learned this year, some things change at a moment's notice.

Thank you for your attention to this short newsletter. I hope all West Lynn families have a safe and enjoyable Thanksgiving weekend. Hopefully, the weather stays nice for (at least) another month. 😊

Principal Jim Cottam

Terry Fox Event

We had a hugely successful Terry Fox Event on October 2. Thank you to Ms. Huffman's grade 8 students for planning and running a safe and active circuit for all West Lynn students to participate. The West Lynn community raised over \$1400 to support the Terry Fox Foundation! Many, many thanks for your generosity and support.



Transitioning Between Learning Modes

You can declare your intention to switch between learning modes (in-class to Virtual and vice versa) up until **October 13**. Please follow the link here:

<https://parentdec.granderie.ca/>.

Alternatively, you can call the school to make your declaration. If you do not wish your child to switch modes at this time, then there is no action required on your part.

COVID-19 School Screening

All staff and students must screen for COVID-19 every day before they go to school. Although optional the following screening tool at <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/> is easy to use and will provide you with clear information on the steps to follow based on the results of the screening.

This screening cannot diagnose. If you have medical questions about your child, please consult a health care provider or the Haldimand Norfolk Health Unit @ 519-426-6170.

Student Snack Program

We are pleased that our snack program will be up and running early in October. A variety of prepackaged healthy snacks will be available to students throughout the week. Many thanks to Mrs. Rigglesford and Mrs. Worth for their time and effort to make the Snack Program a success at West Lynn!

