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STEVENSVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOL



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“Working to Learn - Learning to Work”

What a great September!

Welcome to the “Reading Rain Forest”

The Scholastic Book Fair proved to be a fantastic way to start the year off right at Stevensville School. Thank you to all of the students and parents who purchased items at the fair and made this venture such a marvelous success! We sold \$2400 in books and merchandise.

The winner of the Family Event Door Prize was Skyler Harrison. She won \$25 in books for her family and \$25 in books for Mrs. Krutschke’s class.

Thanks Mrs. Romita for organizing everything.

OPEN HOUSE

What a great turn out we had! It was great to see all the parents out with their children. We would like to thank Mr. Bright for his donation of Tim Horton’s Coffee and donuts and all the staff for their help throughout the evening.

Cross Country Team...

Mrs. Racey has been working with a fine group of children to represent Stevensville Public School at our cross country meets on Monday, Sept. 24th and Monday, Oct. 1st. They have been working really hard the last couple of weeks. We have around 15 students that are going on to the final meet on October 10th. Good luck, everyone.



Hot Lunch up and running...

We are still having hot lunch every Thursday with the maximum of four Thursdays a month. Please keep track of hot lunch dates.

Dates for October:

October 4 th	Pizza Day
October 11 th	Pizza Day
October 18 th	Sub Day
October 25 th	Pizza Day

We have a few wonderful parents coming out to help with hot lunch and we appreciate everything they do. Without them it wouldn't happen. If you want to be part of a fun team just call the school for more information. Please try to get your orders in on time. The parents usually count and organize the orders the day after they are due. Orders won't be accepted after that date. It is a lot of work to recount classes after to add students who are late. Your consideration is appreciated. Hope you enjoy!



Hallowe'en

Tuesday,, October 31st will be an exciting day at S.P.S. We will begin our festivities with our usual walk in the neighbourhood to show off our unique Hallowe'en costumes at 12:30 p.m. You are invited to come watch. Unicef envelopes will be placed in each classroom the week before Hallowe'en and donations will be greatly accepted.

Discovery.Toys...

Educational toys, books, games, puzzles and computer software for children of all ages.

Dear Parents,

Shop for the children in your lives and a percentage of sales will go toward supporting the Special Needs program.

All Discovery Toys' products are:

- #1 ranking educational toys
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- Unique - not sold in stores

- Winners of numerous toy and book awards!

This is a convenient service for you! Your orders will be delivered within three weeks of our "end" date! Stock up now for holidays, birthdays, and baby showers for the children in your life!

How you can support our school:

- a) Place on order before Monday November 5th
- b) Collect orders from friends and neighbors.
- c) Host a Discovery Toys Party in your home (School will receive a \$15 Gift Certificate for each party scheduled)

Your support is greatly appreciated and will ensure the best quality learning tools are available for your children.

For more info or to place an order:

Bonnie Appleton(905)401-5022, email:

educationalfuntoys@mac.com Or visit

www.discoverytoyslink.com/bonnieappleton. To view a catalogue just request a book and order form from your teacher if you are interested.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

On September 26th the School Council met in the school library and we had a tremendous turnout. We would like to extend the invitation to any interested parent to come and join us for discussion of items that interest parents and the wider school community. This month we talked about:

Meeting format: we agreed that we would have our meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month. We would only discuss items that have first been brought to the attention of the Chair, Tami McKnight (send items to Tami McKnight Stevensville School). We will also keep our meetings restricted to 1 hour and provide child care, if required.

Fundraising: we discussed the pros and cons of running 2 campaigns at once and decided, for this one year, to continue with both and re-evaluate next year.

Guest Speakers: we would like to offer an opportunity for parents to come and hear information that will support them at home with their children. Some topics we discussed are: cyber safety, bullying, literacy. We would love to hear what topics may interest you so please send your ideas to us.

This month's attendees: Tami McKnight, Sue Bright, Beth Lukacs, Trisha Hinks, Erin Fretz, Tracey Lemaire, Anne Burgess, Ruxandra Lipianu, Melissa Lee, and Paul O'Melia

SCHOOL FUNDRAISING

In our September newsletter we mentioned that our cheese fundraiser had ended and that we would be promoting magazine sales at Stevensville. Since that time we have had an alternative cheese source brought to our attention. In consultation with the Stevensville School Council, we have decided to run both campaigns at the same time. This would not normally happen but our magazine fundraiser has been scheduled to begin October 18th and the cheese order needs to begin if orders are to arrive in time for the holiday season.

Next year we will not run both campaigns at the same time. For this one year we would like to offer families the choice of which campaign they support. Please do not feel any pressure or obligation to participate in both. We appreciate the tremendous support this school community already provides.

MAGAZINE CAMPAIGN

One of our fundraisers will be the magazine campaign. Our kick off assembly will be on October 18th. New subscriptions, renewals, and gift orders will be available. More information will be provided that day.

CHEESE!

Cheese order forms will be going home with students October 15 and additional forms are available at the school office. All order forms are due back by November 5th. Delivery date will be November 29th and we advise that you be available to pick up your child at school on this day as they will have large, heavy packages to bring home.

An assembly will be held on October 15th to show students the prizes available to be won. Students from JK to grade 6 will get one ticket for every \$50.00 sold to put into the draw for prizes. Students in grades 7 & 8 will get a \$10.00 credit towards their trip to Ottawa for every \$50.00 sold. Prizes will not be awarded to any individual if their order has not been paid in full.

As in previous years, there will be a grand prize for the student who sells the most cheese. Siblings may combine their orders to generate a larger total. Grades 7 & 8 are not eligible for ANY prizes as they are receiving a cash value toward their trip. A pizza party will be awarded to the class (JK-8) that sells the most cheese.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Cindy Michael

Bottle Drive...

On November 4th the Stevensville/Black Creek Lions Club are collecting glass bottles from the liquor and beer stores to raise money for our school library and activities. Drop off will be at the Conservation Park on Ott and West Main.

Parking Lot Reminders...

For our children's safety we really need the flow of traffic going the same way at all times. Enter at the front of the school on East Ave. and exit by the primary playground on East Main St.

We also would like to ask that there be no parking along side the curb at the front of the school unless of course it's an emergency. We thank you for your continued cooperation