



Eagles Nest

David Cameron Elementary School

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Dates to Remember

October 2015

Friday, October 28th

- PAC Hot Lunch

Monday, November 7th

- Photo Retake day

Thursday, November 10th

- Remembrance Day Assembly (10:45 am)

Friday, November 11th

- Remembrance Day (School not in session)

Thursday, November 24th

- 3 hours Early Dismissal (students dismissed at 11:53)

Friday, November 25th

- Non-Instructional day (School not in session)

Message from the Principal

Dear DC Families,

It is difficult to believe that we are nearly two months into the current school year. I wanted to say thank you to those of you who were able to come and meet with us during our recent parent-teacher interview evening that we hosted at the school. If you were unable to get in and would like to connect with your child's teacher please contact them directly to set up a time that works for all of you. Maintaining open communication between school and home is extremely important so we thank you for your efforts in connecting with us here at David Cameron. When we work together to support students we can accomplish remarkable things. On that note I wanted to thank all of you for your incredible support during our recent Terry Fox Run. We had a goal of raising \$400 as a school and I am thrilled to inform you that we raised \$463.25. This money will be sent to the Terry Fox Foundation to support cancer research.

Once again your efforts at home to support student learning are greatly appreciated. Getting students to talk about their learning or to demonstrate what they are learning at school are good ways to have them share what is being presented at school. I am looking forward to another incredible month here at DC and would like to remind all of you that my door is always open so please do not hesitate to come in and chat with me if you have questions or concerns about what is taking place at school.

Thanks so much

Scott Manning

WITS, LEADS, and Halloween Safety



On October 17th, Students attended presentations on WITS and LEADS problem solving models presented by our school liaison officer, Constable McKinney.

On October 24th, all students will attend an assembly featuring Halloween Safety to ensure that all of our students will have a safe Halloween. This important information is also presented by Constable McKinney.



Halloween @ DC

On Monday, October 31st, we will be celebrating Halloween at David Cameron. Students and staff are welcome to come to school in costume. We will be hosting a costume parade as well as a Halloween dance. The PAC will be holding their annual pumpkin carving contest and families are encouraged to bring in pre-carved pumpkins to display. Students who have masks as part of their costumes will be able to wear them during our parade but will be asked to remove their masks for the duration of the day. Also please keep all weapons that may be associated with your child's costume at home. We are looking forward to what should be a spooktacular day here at David Cameron.



Cross Country



We wrapped up a very successful cross country season on Wednesday, October 5th with a record number of grade 1 to 5 David Cameron students participating. Students practiced enthusiastically on a daily basis leading up the races at JDF and then ran with determination and effort on September 28th and October 5th. Thank you very to the PAC for providing a bus to transport students to the meets. Thank you very much to staff who volunteered their time to supervise during the practices and to help organize the students at the meets.

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Home Reading Program

We have already had numerous students recognized for 25 nights of home reading at our assemblies. It is never too late to start the program; ask your child's teacher for the 25 night sheet and you will be on your way to helping your child develop a joy for reading as well as building skills and knowledge needed to become a proficient reader. Just twenty minutes a night is all that is needed to help build a lifelong joy for books and reading.



Handball

Handball season is starting for grades four and five with practices for boys on Tuesday at lunch and girls on Wednesday at lunch. Interschool play will begin in the week of October 24th with the season ending in November with a jamboree.

Monitors

We have many very enthusiastic and responsible students who have been monitoring diligently everyday in the primary classrooms during the lunch eating time and in the office.

Having our senior students in the classrooms helps to provide a safe and calm environment for eating lunches. Activity monitors will begin their training this month after which they will be able to provide fun recess activities such as skipping, tag games, wall ball, hopscotch, and four-square.

Lost and Found

The number of items in our lost and found bin continues to grow. We have put these items on display in the main foyer and ask that families please take some time to view these items and claim any missing items. Items that are not claimed by Friday, November 4th will be donated to a local charity.



Picking up students early

If you are picking up your child early from school we would ask that you please check in with the office before heading directly to your child's classroom. Also please make sure that you sign your child out at the office before leaving for the day. Thanks so much for your help with this.