

# Remembrance Day



Our School will be holding our Remembrance Day Service on **November 10**<sup>th</sup> **at 1:00 p.m.** in our gymnasium. All community members are welcome to attend.

## **Call Back System**

If your child will not be at school or will be late, please contact our office at 204-586-0327 or email marie.jowitt@7oaks.org or bonnie.pollreis@7oaks.org. The office is open for phone calls between 7:45 am and 3:30 pm, however parents may call at any time as we have a 24 hour answering machine. If your child is absent and we have not been notified, you will be contacted to ensure your child is safe.

## Phone Calls & Messages for Students

Calling students out of class for phone calls is very disruptive to the entire class. Unless it is an emergency, please make arrangements with your child before they come to school.

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# Report Cards & Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

Report cards will be available online through your Parent Connect account on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. If you do not have access to a computer or require a print copy, please contact your child's teacher to make this request.

You will be able to book an appointment online through Parent Connect beginning on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. This will be done on a first-come, first-served basis. If you do not have access to a computer, you can contact the classroom teacher to make your appointment.

Student-Parent-Teacher conferences will be held on Thursday, November 24<sup>th</sup> from 3:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. and on Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. We value conversations with students and parents about student learning and we are very much looking forward to this opportunity for sharing and dialogue. We are hoping for 100% participation from our families!

#### **Vision Screening...**

Vision screening will be carried out for all grade 7 students during the week of Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>. This screening is designed to uncover signs of any possible vision difficulty which may interfere with school progress. It is not intended to be a substitute for the vision examination performed by an Ophthalmologist/Optometrist. If you do not wish that your child participate in this no-cost vision screening, please contact the school.

Children who are currently wearing glasses will not be screened. Parents of children who wear glasses will be receiving a form to take or send to their Ophthalmologist or Optometrist to assist the school in the best programming for their child.

If you receive a notice from the school after the vision screening has been completed requesting that you refer your child for a professional eye examination, please follow-up by making an appointment with an eye doctor

(Ophthalmologist/Optometrist) of your choice. Ask the eye doctor to complete the form sent to you by the school and then return this completed form to the school.

If you require any further information, please contact Mrs. Kiva or Mrs. Khan at the school.

#### **Power Positif**

Power Positif is off to a great start this year. It is a peer leadership group made up of students and staff from the school. We focus on modeling positive behaviour and acceptance. We have been very busy, meeting weekly to learn and discuss social issues. Each month we have a different theme which is incorporated in the entire school. In October we were focussing on Body Awareness and in November will begin Mental Health Awareness. We also help organize school activities which include the Tree at the front of the school which will hold a leaf from each student



at the school.



Last month we went on a two day retreat to camp Manitou. This gave us a

chance to learn about being an effective peer leader and to get to know each other a little better. We also had fun activities planned like zip-lining, rock climbing, nature walks and minute to win it competitions.

We are very excited about the upcoming year.



James from the Bear Clan Patrol Inc., and Amber Nemeth are coming to talk to our classes the morning of Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. They will be sharing the importance of volunteering and helping to find lost loved ones on the streets of our society. They are coming in to promote student engagement in helping our society evolve into a safer, kinder and more thoughtful place to live. One way we are planning on helping is through "Be The Reason". We plan to contribute to this goal by putting together the care packages that Bear Clan Patrol then give to those in need that they encounter on the streets. In the care packages are important basics.



Items in Package are what you see in the picture. We will be collecting them or donations of money to buy items required to complete the package. We will also need large Ziploc bags as that is how packs are given out. Toques and mitts are also welcome this time of year. All donations can be brought to room 35.

Panty liners Cleansing cloth packets Juice box Granola Bar

Mini toothpaste Band aids Bottle of water Roll of Toilet Paper Toothbrush Dental Floss Comb Kleenex packet

Moisturizing lotion packets Rice Krispies squares

### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Our library is hosting a Book Fair:

Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday, November 25<sup>th</sup>

Students will have an opportunity to visit the fair with their classroom.

Also, the library will be open a little later on the book fair days (for students to visit/purchase books) and of course Thursday evening and Friday during the day to accommodate parent teacher visits.

I look forward to seeing you at the Scholastic Book Fair. Proceeds from this event will go directly towards putting more books on our library shelves.

Thank-you for your support!



## In the Gym...

#### **Physical Education Classes**

Throughout the month of October students completed a handball unit and an ultimate frisbee unit as well as a number of fitness theme classes.

Also, gym classes will continue to take place outdoors, so please help remind your child to bring gym clothes that are suitable for the cold weather.

#### **Special Olympics**

The Special Olympic program has been working on basketball over the past few weeks. On Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, our Special O team will be heading over to Bruce Middle School for activities and games.

#### Extracurricular

Volleyball season is in full swing.
Teams have been practicing in
preparation for their upcoming
tournaments and games. They are
all off to a wonderful start and are
representing ESOMS well!
Continue to check to board and the
school website calendar for
practices and game times!

#### **Music Notes...**

The Band Program and SO Vocal Ensemble are selling Poinsettias as a fundraiser through Lacoste Garden Centre. Order forms and payments are due **Friday November 18**<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure you have a warm car to pick up the plants on **Tuesday December 6**<sup>th</sup> at **3pm**.

Our Grade 7 & 8 Winter Concert is on Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup> in the Centre Gym at Garden City Collegiate at 7pm. Band students are expected to arrive by 6:15pm, choir and fiddle students are expected to arrive by 6:30pm. As usual, concert dress is all black with a splash of colour. Please ensure you have made arrangements to get your child to Garden City. Every member of each ensemble plays an important role in the performance of the group and absences are strongly felt by present members.

Grade 8 Band and SO Vocal will be performing at ÉSOMS' Remembrance Day Ceremony November 10<sup>th</sup> at 12:15pm. All students are asked to wear their concert dress (all black) to school that day. Parents, family and friends are welcome to attend the ceremony to honour the men and women who gave their lives to protect our freedoms.

Grade 8 Jazz Band will be travelling to Brandon Jazz Festival March 16<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Information went home with students mid-October. Grade 8 Jazz Band members are asked to return their first deposit and permission form to Ms. Bouskill by November 14<sup>th</sup>.

Grade 8 Band and Choir will be travelling to Moose Jaw May 15<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Information went home with students mid-October. Grade 8 Band and Choir members are asked to return their first deposit and permission form to Ms. Abraham by November 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Fiddle news...

Grade eight students will be performing at the Forks on December 16<sup>th</sup> (Hall/Labossiere/Chrunyk) and December 19<sup>th</sup> (Persaud/Ruppenthal/Sherri), when we take our annual trip to the Forks for the day with all grade eight classes. After our performance from 10:00-10:30 a.m., students will be able to go skating, have lunch, and walk around the Forks. Please note: **Helmets MUST be worn while skating.** Skates may be brought or rented.

Incredibows 7 & 8 have been practicing since the middle of September, and will have performances throughout the year. The first one is at the Grade 7/8 Winter Concert on Wednesday November 3th, at 7 p.m., when they will perform along with the band and choir students in the Centre Gym at Garden City Collegiate.

#### **SOSD Divisional Fiddle Group**

Practices start up again on Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>, and continue every Thursday until mid-June, during school weeks. We meet at Maples Collegiate from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in Rooms 212 and 221 in the Maples Wing. Students may ride the bus from ÉSOMS to Maples at 3 p.m., but need to arrange their own transportation home at 6:00 p.m. See poster for details.





# DO YOU PLAY FIDDLE? COME JOIN US!

# SOSD DIVISIONAL FIDDLE GROUP

(FOR FIDDLERS IN GRADE 6 AND HIGHER WHO CAN ALREADY PLAY A FEW TUNES)

#### EVERY THURSDAY

(STARTING OCTOBER 20, 2016, AND RUNNING UNTIL MID-JUNE) 4:00-6:00 P.M.

# ROOMS 212 AND 221 (MAPLES WING) MAPLES COLLEGIATE

Music provided. Fiddle jam, plus new tunes to learn! Please bring your own fiddle, but if you don't have access to one, please call the number below, or email Karen Warner to make arrangements. Bring a snack if you like!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:
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# LA VIE ET L'APPRENTISSAGE

Ms. Koshelanyk's Class has been working on getting outside more often. Over the last few days, we made field journals, little notebooks for our discoveries, sketches and outdoor activities. We made these by collecting items from nature that had run their course and then bound together with a stick of our choosing. That's not all! We also made sit-upons, little pillows to sit on when we are outside to help protect us from the cold or wet grass. These are simple to make....just stuff a plastic bag with some newspaper, wrap it up, and seal it with some strong Duct-Tape. As a class, we believe that is important to be connected with nature as much as possible.



By Darina Lavrukhina





On Friday October 14<sup>th</sup> the Grade 6 Engineering & Design class went to Sustainable South Osborne Community Coop's permaculture garden. A permaculture believes in taking care of the earth, people and making sure everyone gets a fair share. We are going to be using what we learned and apply it to our city redesign project.

We were lucky to have such a beautiful day!



# NOVEMBER 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1 Day 4	2 Day 5	3 Day 6  Picture Re-takes	<b>4</b> Day 1	5
6	7 Day 2  ÉSOMS PD  No Classes	8 Day 3	9 Day 4	10 Day 5  Remembrance Day Assembly	Remembrance Day No Classes	12
13	<b>14</b> Day 6	<b>15</b> Day 1	16 Day 2	Student Reports available on-line	18 Day 4	19
20	<b>21</b> Day 5	<b>22</b> Day 6	23 Day 1	Parent Conferences 3 - 7:45 pm	Parent Conferences 8:30 am - 3 pm No Classes	26
27	<b>28</b> Day 4	<b>29</b> Day 5	Gr 7 & 8 Band/Fiddle/Choir Concert GCCI 7 pm			