



December 2013



LANGTON LINK

<http://lps.tlidsb.on.ca/>

School Trustee: John Byrne

Safe Arrival Line 887-2005

Principal: Joan Harpell

“We Help Each Other”

Vice-Principal: Jennifer Johnston

For the month of December we will be highlighting *COMPASSION* as our Character Education trait. Compassion is being understanding and caring. We can show empathy by wanting to help, listen and say kind words.

| Looks like: | Sounds like: | Feels like: |
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| All children included in a group. | “You look lonely, would you like to join us?” | Caring |
| Forgiving someone who made a mistake. | Why don't we try again? | Being included. |
| Caring about others' needs and feelings. | I care about you. | Understanding someone's need for a fresh start. |
| | I know how you feel. How can I help? | Recognizing the humanity of others. |

'THE SCOOP' ON SNOW DAYS!

The snow and ice will soon be arriving! Keep in mind that, if buses are cancelled, there will be notification on BOB 91.9FM, 105.9FM, The Wolf 101.5FM, CBC Radio One 98.7FM, and Country 105.1FM. Cancellations are also posted on the TLDSB website at www.tlidsb.ca. We would really appreciate it if you would check these sources before phoning the school as our phone lines are needed to monitor the safe arrival of our staff and students.

SCHOOL COUNCIL/FUNDRAISING NEWS

The School Council would like to thank all families and friends who sent in holiday plant orders. Just a reminder that the nursery will be dropping off all of the plants on **December 3rd** and all orders are to be picked up between 3:30 - 6:00pm. The fundraiser was a terrific success and a great way to usher in the holiday season!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Join us for Langton's Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 11th at 7:00 p.m.
Admission: Food donation



PHILIPPINE TYPHOON FUNDRAISING DAY

Friday December 6 is Philippine Typhoon Fundraising Day! Ms. Jepma's grade 5/6 class is organizing the following events:

- Bake sale with items ranging in price from \$0.50-\$2.00.
- Hat Day where students can wear a hat for \$1.00
- Hot chocolate will be sold to students for \$1.00 a cup!
- Students are also encouraged to wear red, blue, yellow and white to honour the Philippino people (these colours represent the colours on their flag.)

All proceeds are going directly to the Philippines through Kids International Ministries where 100% of the money goes to providing needed supplies such as food, water, materials for building shelters etc.

If you are interested in donating, you can go to <http://www.stayclassy.org/fundraise?fcid=289087>
Together we can make a difference in lives of those who have lost so much!

ME TO WE NEWS

On December 19th during middle block, the Me To We group will be holding their fourth annual Christmas Movie Day. The cost of the movie will be \$1.00. Snacks will be sold before the movie, priced from \$0.50-\$3.00. As always, the movie shown will be kept a secret. All proceeds will go to our schools Brick by Brick initiative to help build a school in Kenya.

MOVIE NIGHT: FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2013

Langton is still hosting monthly movie nights. The movie being shown Dec. 6 is *Planes*. Ticket sales will start at 6:30pm. The cost is \$3.00 per person or 2 tickets for \$5.00. Snacks are also on sale. Come on out and enjoy a fun, family viewing experience.

THINK OF ME (T.O.M.) PROJECT:

This year the City of Kawartha Lakes OPP and the Kawartha Lakes PS have teamed up with the LCBO and Trillium Lakelands District School Board to once again promote safety this holiday season. Students in grades 4-8 will decorate LCBO bags related to this year's theme "Keep our community safe - don't drink and drive". The students will use pictures and slogans to deliver the safety message and the bags will be given out with purchases made at the LCBO stores throughout the City of Kawartha Lakes. Each time a person makes a purchase, the bag's message will remind the purchaser that road safety is in his or her hands!



ERIC WALTERS

On Friday November 15 Eric Walters came to our school to make a presentation to the grade 4- 8's. I enjoyed when he shared his inspirations for each book, as well as the journeys and places he went. He climbed Mount Kilimanjaro with his son, describing how he felt climbing the ever so high mountain. Eric Walters also talked about one of his friends who had a bear named Bo Bo, along with many other animals he lived with including tigers. My favourite part of the presentation was when Mr. Walters talked about an orphanage he founded in Kenya. Some of the children in the orphanage had no idea how old they were or when they were born. Eric Walters goes to his orphanage every summer to visit with all the children. I liked hearing not only about his books, but also about all the adventures he had been on tied into his books. I also liked when he was still teaching some of his main characters were his students disguised by a different name. It was a great experience getting to hear Eric Walters' presentation, and knowing that any dream you have can come true.

By: Marissa Taylor

of his Tiger books that he talked about had a fascinating tale to them. To promote these books he took a tiger to a school and it played in the kindergarten area. Eric Walters was extremely funny. He chose two individuals from the audience, and he used them to create a short funny story and showed how easy it was to quickly create a story. I love how Eric Walters wasn't shy with the crowd and made lots of jokes and had hilarious story's to tell. I would love for another author to visit us.

By: Autumn White

On Friday, November 15, 2013 Eric Walters came to our school and gave a presentation about himself, his life, and his books. Every book he wrote has a story that is personal to him. All of his novels reflect a time in his life when he experienced something worth writing about. Eric was very funny and kept his audience entertained and happy throughout the entire presentation. I was amazed at the things he has done in his life including climbing Mount Kilimanjaro, hiking across a desert, and spending time with tigers, bears, monkeys, and more amazing animals. Another thing that Mr. Walters said which caught my attention was the incredible amount of work he does for an orphanage in Kenya, Africa. He gives these kids a life that they could only hope for by supplying them with clothes, food, books, and their own birthday parties for those children who don't know how old they are or when they were born. It takes little things like this to make children feel better and what he does for these kids is truly touching and amazing. Overall, I felt that Eric Walters did a fantastic job at the presentation. He is a kind, thoughtful man who I really enjoyed meeting.

By Jillian Buykes

On Friday, November 15th 2013, Eric Walters came to my school. He talked about his books, and where he was, or what inspired him when he wrote the book. My favorite books that he shared were the Tiger series. All

**Susan DeNure Sports Program
Steve Nash Basketball**

Location: Langton Public School

Day: Mondays starting January 20, 2014

- JK to Grade 2 from 6:00-7:00pm
- Grades 3 to 4 from 7:00-8:00pm
- Grades 5 to 8 from 8:00-9:00pm

Cost: \$30 per person for 8 weeks including Tournament March 1, 2014 in Lindsay (Minimum Registration Required)



Boys & Girls Clubs
of Kawartha Lakes
A good place to be

***Financial Assistance** options available for all participants—contact Trevor Tompkins or Joshua Williams

Registration: Register now at Boys & Girls Club at 107 Lindsay Street South or online at www.bgckl.com/register or at Langton Public School Monday, January 13, 2014 from 6:00-8:00pm. **Note:** Children **must** be registered before they can attend program which includes completed registration form, program selection form and payment.

For **Registration** inquiries please contact our office staff at 705-324-4493 & press 0.

For **Program** information please contact Trevor Tompkins @ 705-324-4493 ext. 217 (ttompkins@bgckl.com) or Joshua Williams @ 705-324-4493 ext. 211 (jwilliams@bgckl.com).



A WORD FROM YOUR TRUSTEE

It's been a busy year so far at Langton PS. However, fall has all but left us and we're now facing winter head on and entering the holiday season. As 2013 comes to an end on behalf of the Board of Trustees I would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy and Healthy New Year.

John Byrne - TLDSB School Trustee - Wards 2, 3, 6 & 7
"Character may be manifested in the great moments, but it is made in the small ones" *Phillip Brooks*



Looking for a smart Christmas idea?

Order a magazine subscription for someone special this holiday season!

*Simply go to www.qsp.ca, enter our Group Code **9895** and order your magazines.*

Our school will continue to earn the profit on every on-line sale received between now and June, 2014.

Remember, you can order a magazine for anyone who lives in Canada. It's cheaper than wrapping and mailing a gift and it lasts all year long!



Happy holidays from the Langton Public School Staff!