

# Langton Public School

At Langton We Help Each Other!



Dear Parents and Guardians,

October was an extremely busy and successful month for students and staff at Langton. Many great activities and events took place during the month. Please check the calendar on our web site for the most up to date collection of information about all happenings at Langton. Here is a quick synopsis of October.

## **Principal**

Jake Dobson

## **Vice-Principal**

Joanna Gibson

## **Head Secretary**

Connie Gonsalves

## **Secretary**

Colleen Lindsay

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### **Athletics**

Congratulations to our soccer teams who all performed very well at County Tournaments. The Senior Girls and Primary soccer teams won their tournaments. Amazing!

Cross Country runners raced at Ken Reid Conservation Area in Lindsay. The team did extremely well with the Senior Girls winning the overall championship.

Intramurals have begun with soccer being the first activity for the students to participate in.

### **Learning Outside of the Classroom**

Mr. Frame's and Ms. Millar's classes both visited Yearley Education Centre. The students learned about the outdoors and that it can snow in October!

The kindergarten and primary students visited the pumpkin patch. They learned about the growing cycle.

Thank you to our parent volunteers who attended these valuable community building opportunity with our students.

### **Professional Development Day**

On October 10<sup>th</sup> staff worked hard at developing our school improvement plan for the year. Our Academic focus is in math and particularly number sense and numeration. Our Safe and Accepting foci centre around building relationships, digital citizenship, healthy lifestyles, and mental wellness. A school improvement plan is a working document which means the direction taken to reach our goals may change throughout the year to meet our needs. To see the complete school improvement plan please check out our web site or our Facebook page.

### **Jimmy Chapman**

Throughout the month students had a chance to learn some new dance moves with Jimmy. I know the students had a great time and dancing is a great activity that increases physical activity.

### **Book Fair**

Thanks for supporting our Book Fair. The school library benefits by earning almost \$1000 worth of books and \$800 cash for additional library purchases. Thank you so much!

### **Magazine Sales**

Our campaign wrapped up at the beginning of the month. Nearly \$8000 of magazine sales gave us a profit of roughly \$4000. This money helps our school purchase a variety of equipment and helps us run extra programs for kids. Thank you for your support.

### **Journeyman Presentation**

Our intermediate classes walked to the high school to listen to Jamie McMillan who is a steel worker. Jamie discussed various trades and highlighted the benefits gained from learning a trade. When in high school students can enter a program called Specialist High Skills Major to beginning learning a trade.

### **Terry Fox Run**

I wish to thank all the students and staff that took part in Langton's 30th Annual Terry Fox Run on September 24th. The weather was perfect and everyone participated to the best of their abilities. A special thank you goes out the families that came out to support our runners and to be sure that all the students were safe when crossing the streets.

I'm proud to say that our Langton community never fails to astound me. We not only met our goal of \$3000, but surpassed it by \$200! On October 23rd a representative from the Terry Fox Foundation visited Langton to present us with our 30 year participation banner and to see Mr. Dobson and myself have buckets of ice cold water dumped on us. Brrrr!

Thank you again for keeping Terry's dream alive. Together miracles can happen.

Mary C Baker

### **Parent Communication – School Connects**

Would you like to receive information from the school by email? by text? by phone? by all three? We have a new system, School Connects, that gives us lots of different ways to communicate with you. Fill out your "School-Home Communication Form" and send it to the school office. Make sure to sign the "Canada Anti-Spam Legislation Consent" portion so that we can share information about upcoming school events, extra-curricular opportunities, yearbook purchases, fund raising initiatives, etc. Once you have sent in your form - text the word 'join' to 56360. For more information, call the school office.

### **Celebrate the Season with Us**

Thursday, December 4th – Primary Holiday Concert 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 11th – Winter Showcase 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. (including band)

### **Very Much Appreciated!**

Thank you to the Fenelon Falls United Church for their continued support in our Soup Label and Pop Tab collections. They bring us in loads of tabs and labels.

A BIG THANK YOU to our local Tim Horton's, the St. James Anglican Church, Immanuel Baptist Church, the Seniors Club of Fenelon Falls, and our local Fire Department for their generous donations for our Breakfast Program. The Breakfast Program is available every morning to all students and is so very important for their learning. Langton also provides fruit and snack bowls to every classroom each week.

## **Staying Connected**

We are very please to announce that all our tweets on Twitter and posts on Facebook will now appear on our school web site. We have been working hard to find a way to consolidate the various mediums we use to keep parents informed. Until now you would have to check the calendar on our web site, read our posts on Facebook and follow us on Twitter to get all the information about events and activities at Langton. Now there is one spot to find all this information – the Langton Public School web site – [lps.tdsb.on.ca](http://lps.tdsb.on.ca) Even though our web site will now have everything you need, it is still worthwhile to 'like' us on Facebook and 'follow' us on Twitter. By doing this you will receive notifications on your mobile device every time a post is added or a tweet is made. With so much going on, and new activities being added all the time, using social media and our web site is the only way to stay truly up to date.

## **School Council Update**

Thank you to everyone who showed up for the first school council meeting of the 2014/15 school year on October 6th. We were very pleased to see parents wishing to get involved. The following people have been elected as your School Council Executive Representatives for this school year:

Chair: Candice Musson

Vice Chair: Connie Ellery

Secretary: Nancy Saville

Treasurer: Sherry Semple

The next School Council meeting is scheduled for December 1 at 6:30 in the Langton library. All are welcome!

If you aren't able to attend meetings in person, you can still be an informed parent! You are able to sign up to receive important e- mail alerts about events happening at Langton by contacting the School Council at [langtonpc@hotmail.com](mailto:langtonpc@hotmail.com). Your e-mail address will be kept strictly confidential and will not be seen by other parents.

**MOVIE NIGHT: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, 2014**

Langton is still hosting movie nights and will be showing a family friendly movie on November 14th at 7:00pm in the gym. 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.

**BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: HOLIDAY PLANT FUNDRAISER**

School Council will be hosting the holiday plant fundraiser again this year. Additional information and order forms are being sent home with this newsletter. Orders will be available during the first week of December, just in time to —festivize your home for the holiday season.