



# At The Beech

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The students have been enjoying the warm fall weather and we have loads of great activities happening on the yard at recess. Students have been having a great time with soccer intramurals and our grade 7/8 soccer team had a great day at their tournament at Gostick park in Bracebridge. Thank you to Mr. Winger for organizing the intramurals and Ms. Cutting and Ms. Gardiner for coaching the soccer team.

I would like to thank all parents for your understanding during our class restructuring. This restructuring affected all of our Kdg to grade 6 students. We have added two new classrooms and as a result our class sizes are much more manageable. We would like to welcome Ms. Forrest who has been hired for our new grade 1 class, Mr. Kirkpatrick who has been hired for our new grade 6 class and Ms. Lee who is back again doing music at Beechgrove.

## PARENT COUNCIL

Our first Parent Council meeting was well attended. The new picnic tables purchased by the Council are being well used in the yard and several items are in the works for the Kindergarten yard.

The Parent Council will be cooking burgers and hot dogs prior to our Terry Fox walk. We are looking for parent volun-

Our Terry Fox Walk is taking place on October 1st at 1:50. Parents are welcome to come out and join us. Burgers and hot dogs will be sold prior to the walk. Please make sure pledge forms are returned to the office.

Please make sure you are labelling clothing so that it can be returned if lost. Our lost and found bin is already overflowing. You might want to stop by and check it out if you are missing any items at home.

Just a reminder that our morning yard supervision does not start until 8:20. Students should not be dropped off or be arriving at school before 8:20.

Please don't hesitate to drop by the office and see me if you have any questions or concerns.

Paul Goldring



teers to assist with this.

Our next meeting is Monday November 2nd at 3:30. All parents are welcome and free babysitting is provided for parents who require it.

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### Dates to Remember:

October 9h

PA DAY

October 12th

Thanksgiving

October 14th

Picture Day

October 30th

Halloween

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## CHARACTER EDUCATION THEME FOR OCTOBER

### Perseverance

Perseverance is being committed to your goals and overcoming obstacles. When you persevere you don't give up.

## CELL PHONES

Students are reminded that cell phones are not permitted for calls, photos, music or text messaging during the school day. Parents are encouraged to call the main office if they need to get in contact with their children during school hours. Any electronic devices that are brought to school are done so at the students' own risk.

**We will not be responsible for any lost or stolen devices.**

## JUNIOR GRYPHONS BAND

### FREE MUSIC LESSONS FOR GRADE 6,7 and 8 STUDENTS!

Help your child:

- in the transition to high school
- Make new friends
- Build team work skills
- Develop a life-long love of music



One hour band practice includes a rented instrument, free lessons, and community performance opportunities!

**First rehearsal: Tuesday Oct 6th**

Gravenhurst High School Music room  
For more information contact Leanne Edwards  
(705) 644-4458

## TERRY FOX WALK

On Thursday October 1st we are holding our annual Terry Fox walk. The walk will take place at 1:50 and students in grade 1 to 8 will meet in front of the school for a picture before we start the walk. Pledge sheets should be sent back to the school by Thursday.

To provide us with some extra energy for the walk our Parent Council will be selling barbecued hot dogs and burgers. Hot dogs will be \$1.00 and burgers will be \$2.00. Parents will be coming around to collect orders on Thursday morning.

Parents are welcome to come out and join us on the walk!

## PICTURE DAY

Our school Picture Day is October 14th All students will be getting their picture taken that day. Notices are being sent home that give details about the photo program being offered.

## HEAD LICE ALERT

It's the time of year to be extra vigilant with respect to head lice. "Head Checks" are conducted on a regular basis at the school by trained parent volunteers. Volunteers are needed, ideally we would like to have one parent volunteer per classroom. Helpful tips:

- Provide your child with his/her own brush.
- Ask your child to keep outdoor clothing on their own hooks.
- Put hats/mitts/scarves in their coat sleeves when hanging them up at school.
- "Inspect" your child's hair at home on a regular basis.

"Treatment", select one of the many products used in the treatment of head lice (consult your pharmacist or physician if in doubt). Follow the directions carefully.

Only after treatment and REMOVAL OF ALL NITS MAY THE STUDENT RETURN TO SCHOOL!!!

Please call the school to be sure there is someone available to re-check your child before they return to the classroom.

Dr. Moshe Ipp, from the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto, recommends the following treatment rather than one of the many products on the market :

- equal parts of mineral oil and vinegar massage into the hair.
- cover for 1 hour with a shower cap. Shampoo out with your regular family shampoo (not pediculosis shampoo)

This treatment can be repeated as often as needed; it suffocates live lice and makes for easy and smooth combing out of detached nits and dead lice.

# SKI & SNOWBOARD SALE

**HIDDEN VALLEY  
HIGHLANDS SKI AREA**

**GEAR DROP OFF**  
FRI OCT 9 6pm-8pm  
SAT OCT 10 9am-12pm

**SALE HOURS**  
SAT OCT 10 9am-4pm  
SUN OCT 11 10am-3pm





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*GR 1/2 Ms. Coutts*

*GR 2 Mrs. Cutting*

*GR 3 Mrs. Clubb*

*GR 3/4 Mr. Winger*

*GR 4/5 Mr. Gregory*

*GR 5 Mr. Hill*

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*GR 8 Ms. Durocher*

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### Head Secretary / Assistant Secretary

*Ms. Gliddon & Ms. Rumford*

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*Mr. Young, Ms. Barnes & Mrs. Sontag*

## SUMMER READING CELEBRATION

On Thursday, October 15th, students that met their summer reading goals will get to celebrate with pizza and a special treat in the library.

## THANK YOU!

We wish to thank the Ladies Invitational Golf Club for their generous donation to our Breakfast for Learning Program.

### Special Thanks to the Hole Sponsors

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## Character Education Theme PERSEVERANCE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 PA DAY	10
11	12 Thanksgiving	13	14 Picture Day Forms need to be returned	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 Halloween	31



Picture Day October 14



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