

OUR COMMUNITY LEARNING TOGETHER



# At The Beech



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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

After that blast of summer it seems we are back to some more regular fall weather. Our grade 7/8 soccer team had a hot day at their tournament at Gostick park in Bracebridge. We have a big group of cross-country runners and they have enjoyed going to the running meets. The last run will be the Muskoka Mud Run on October 13th. Thank you to Ms. McIntosh, Ms. Durocher and Mr. Kamachi for coaching our Cross Country running team and Ms. Cutting and Ms. Terry for coaching the soccer team.

This month we are welcoming a new Assistant Secretary in the office. Carrie Lissets will be starting on October 10th and will be working to get to know our students and the Beechgrove Community.

Our Terry Fox walk and Fundraiser was again a great success over \$3500 was raised to support cancer research. In reaching our goal students will be celebrating with a variety of activities including the opportunity of putting a pie in the face of some of our staff!

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Please make sure you are labelling clothing so that it can be returned if lost. Our lost and found bin is already filling up 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.

Like us on Facebook for announcements and lots of fantastic pictures of all the great things going on at Beechgrove!

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

Paul Goldring



## PARENT COUNCIL

Our first Parent Council meeting was well attended. A group of parents has worked hard to get our Healthy Lunch program up and running and money was allocated to support busing for our students to attend three Cross Country meets.

Our Little Caesar's Pizza fundraiser has been sent home and orders are due back

on October 10th. Orders will be delivered on October 25th.

Our next meeting is Wednesday October 23rd at 3:30 pm All parents are welcome and free babysitting is provided for parents who require it.

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### Dates to Remember:

October 6th

PA Day

October 9th

Thanksgiving

October 13th

Muskoka Mud Run (Gr. 4-8)

October 20th

Picture Day

October 31st

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, damaged or stolen devices.**

## TERRY FOX WALK

On Thursday September 28th we held our annual Terry Fox walk. The walk took place at 11:45 and students in grades 1 to 8 met in front of the school for a picture before we started the walk. We collected \$3528.15 in pledges. Well done Beechgrove!

## OVERDRIVE FOR PARENTS

Exciting News!! TLDSB's OverDrive library is now available to parents in our board. You are able to access over 2500 free eBooks and audiobooks.

How parents can request an account:

- Go to <http://tldsb.ca/ereads>
- Click on Parents tab
- Complete the form with a valid email address
- This email address will be used when creating an account
- Technology Services will receive the request and will create the accounts as soon as possible
- Parents will be sent an email with OverDrive login account information once it is created

## SUMMER READING CELEBRATION

Our summer readers had a special Pizza Lunch to celebrate all the reading they did over the summer

## 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.

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.

## PICTURE DAY

Our school Picture Day is Friday, October 20th. All students will be getting their picture taken that day. Notices are being sent home that give details about the photo program being offered.

## FALL HARVEST

We have harvested tomatoes, corn, squash and will be picking pumpkins very soon! The kids have made squash soup and their own homemade salsa so far while learning about healthy eating. They are also learning about how the pioneers and indigenous peoples grew their own crops in order to survive. We will be preparing the garden for winter soon and look forward to growing another crop next spring. Thanks to those who donated their time and supplies to creating our improved garden area! Ms. Clubb's class.

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## EVAN LUKER RUN

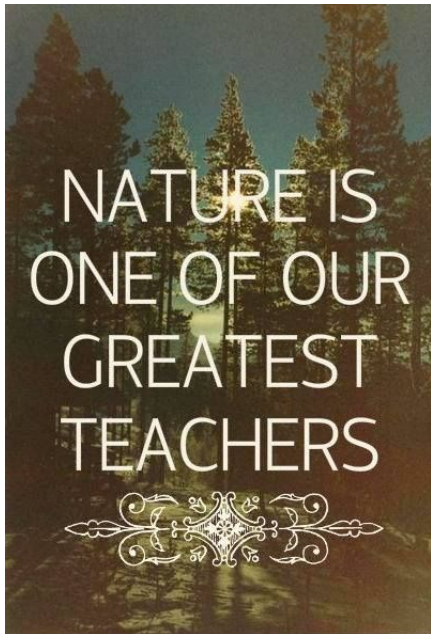
For almost 30 years, the annual Evan Luker Fun Run continues to draw more and more students each year as a memorial run with an emphasis on participation. Evan Luker was a student who attended both Macaulay and Muskoka Falls public schools. Tragically, he was killed in a car accident in 1985 when he was only nine years old. The run was started in memory of Evan, a good athlete who loved to run, no matter how well he placed.

## MUSKOKA MUD RUN

Good luck to our runners from grades 4-8 who will be travelling to the Muskoka Mud Run held at Morrison Meadows on October 13th. Should be a great day!

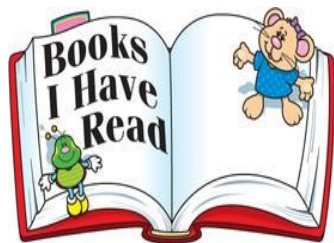
## TAKE ME OUTSIDE DAY

On October 25th Beechgrove will take our learning outside as we participate in Take Me Outside Day ([takemeoutside.ca](http://takemeoutside.ca))! Our staff and students are committing to (at least!) an hour of outdoor literacy, drama, art, and phys. ed. activities. We are excited to make use of some of our new outdoor learning spaces and take advantage of this opportunity to foster a love of nature in our community. This event will take place rain or shine, so please ensure to dress appropriately! For more information, or to get involved, please contact [Katie.Albisser@tidsb.net](mailto:Katie.Albisser@tidsb.net).



## LIBRARY DAYS

- Day 1 Ms. Richter, Ms. Coutts
- Day 2 Mr. Kamachi, Ms. Owens
- Day 3 Ms. Clubb
- Day 4 Ms. Smith, Ms. Watson
- Day 5 Ms. Ovell



## SOCCER TEAM NEWS

Congratulations to our Soccer Team who did a great job representing Beechgrove at our Soccer Tournament on September 26th held at Gostick Park in Bracebridge. The team played six games and lost a couple of very close games, tied one and also won a couple. Way to go team!



## SCHOOL DAY

Playground Supervision 8:20—8:45

**Morning Bell 8:45**

- P1 8:50—9:40
- P2 9:40—10:30
- 1st Recess 10:31—10:50
- 1st Nutrition Break **10:50—11:09**
- P3 11:10—11:40
- P4 11:40—12:10
- P5 12:10—12:40
- P6 12:40—1:09
- 2nd Recess 1:10—1:30
- 2nd Nutrition Break **1:30—1:50**
- P5 1:50—2:30
- P6 2:30—3:10

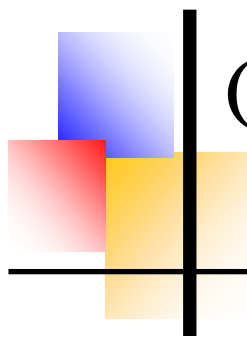
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## Character Education Theme PERSEVERANCE

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 	4 Bus Patroller Training Day	5 	6 PD Day No school for students	7
8	9 HAPPY  THANKSGIVING	10 	11	12 	13 Muskoka Mud Run	14
15	16	17 	18	19 	20 Picture Day	21
22	23 Parent Council Meeting 3:30	24 	25	26 	27 Black And Orange Day	28
29	30	31  				



Picture Day October 20



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