



Dog Pound Press

March, 2014 Newsletter

MARCH'S CHARACTER TRAIT IS FAIRNESS.



Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

With this winter's inconsistent weather and hopefully the last big cold spell behind us, February has drawn to a close. Spring must certainly be just around the corner. Although we may be changing seasons, one thing that remains the same is the wonderful learning opportunities that are happening both in and outside our classrooms.

This week our Grade 6's are headed off to Yearly Educational Centre where they will take part in a number of outdoor activities and acquire some new skills.

Recently there has been a great deal of excitement and eager anticipation in the building as we have learned about an upcoming demographic structure change at Scott Young. Commencing in September, 2014 SYPS will expand to become a Grade 4-8 school instead of the 5-8 model we are currently operating on. In this way we will have all of our Junior and Intermediate students housed in one building which will certainly be beneficial on a number of fronts. (More information can be found later in this newsletter)

As you are aware, this year's March Break runs the week of March 10th to the 14th. It is our hope that families have an opportunity to spend some fun time together and it would also be a great time to get in some **Reading!** I hope you enjoy a safe and relaxing March Break!

Please read on for important information. If you have any questions

or concerns, please call the school at 799-5133.

Sincerely,
R. Murray, Principal

Graduation



It's hard to believe that Graduation is less than 4 months away!

Please mark June 25th on your calendar for this year's Grade 8 Graduation.

March Break

March Break takes place from March 10th to 14th. School resumes on Monday, March 17th 2014.

Current House Points

Mustangs: 1558 points
Ravens: 1420 points
Golden Hawks: 1276 points
Gryphons: 1467 points

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Focus on Fairness

Fairness is solving problems so that everyone wins and that you don't prejudice,



ME to WE at Scott Young

First of all, thank you for your contributions to the school houses in the office. We continue to accept any change you can donate. One school house, if filled with \$20, will provide one brick to help build a school in a developing country. Please help us build a school with your change.

Thanks to all the students who purchased Candy-Grams for Valentine's Day. Approximately \$25 was raised and will go towards Me to We initiatives.

The Intermediate Valentine's Day dance was a great success! We raised \$78.50. Thank you to all the Intermediate students and staff for another awesome dance!!

As always, we appreciate all support for Me to We. Feel free to check out the following websites for more information and cool merchandise with proceeds going to support several international initiatives.

www.freethechildren.com

www.metowe.com

Our School is Growing!

Welcome grade 4 students! Starting in September, Scott Young Public School will become a grade 4 to grade 8 school. We are excited to have all the grades from the Junior Division in one building – this benefits both students and staff. The new grade 4 students will also be able to participate in junior level sports and extra-curricular activities. We want the best outcome for all our students for their achievement and well-being.

Pedal for Hope



This is the 10th anniversary of this annual ride promoting awareness and raising funds to help aid pediatric cancer research.

Last year the team hit the \$1,000,000 mark. Among other fund raising activities happening around Scott Young, the team is offering special 10 year anniversary T-shirts. (Special team logo on the front and the school's name on the back.) A sample shirt will be on display at the front of the school.

In order for the shirts to be ordered and ready for the tour, all order forms must be returned by Wednesday March 19th. Cheques should be made out to the Canadian Cancer Society. Come on Scott Young, let's paint the gym with a sea of yellow when the tour stops at Scott Young on May 1st.

Junior Garden Club

Every year on snowy days in February our thoughts turn longingly to warmer days, and we remind ourselves that "Gardening Season is coming!" For over 65 years the Omemee and District Horticultural Society



(O.D.H.S.) has sponsored the **Junior Garden Club**, providing an opportunity for many children to learn about taking care of the earth by planting, growing and caring for their own garden patch.

It is **now time to register** in the 2013 Junior G.C. Members receive vegetable and flower seeds to plant. What a boost of confidence they feel when they are responsible for the planting, weeding, watering and harvesting of their very own crops. They also have the fun of competing in the youth section of the O.D.H.S. August show for cash prizes and awards when they enter their vegetables, flowers, crafts and designs in their own age category. During August, the leaders are delighted to visit the children's gardens.

There is a **youth awards ceremony** on Mon. Aug. 19th at the Omemee Curling Rink.

The first get-together is on **Sat. May 11th** from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Coronation Hall. This involves a session of crafts and activities and getting seeds and plants to take home. The second get-together is in the fall. The date is to be determined.

The fee is \$5.00 per family and \$15.00 for the family, which includes the parents. **Registration forms** will be in your school office **after the March Break** with the final date to register on **Wed. May 1st. Pre-registration is required.** O.D.H.S. has **an award winning new website** where the Junior Garden Club registration forms and information will also be available. www.omemeeblooms.ca.

Contact Heather Grassie at 705-328-0342 or e-mail hgrassie@cogeco.ca

EMILY OMEMEE MINOR SOCCER CLUB REGISTRATION

Registration will be held on the following days:

Tues. March 25, Thurs. March 27 and Tues. April 1st

At Lady Eaton School in Omemee from 6:30pm-8:00pm

Limited space available after registration date.

Ages: Grade S.K to Grade 7 (ages 5-12)(age as of Jan 1st 2014)

Cost: \$40 (grades SK/Gr1 & Gr2/3) Tuesday night Games

\$45 (grades 4-7) Thursday night

Games

Season will run 11 weeks from May 13- July 24

For more info contact Lorri Florence @ 705-292-0578

or Email: EOMSC@persona.ca

Volunteer Coaches always Needed!

City of Kawartha Lakes Public Library

March Events – Omemee Library

March Break Activities

Cyber Camp for Kids

Age 7 – 11 yrs.

Advance registration required.

Thursday, March 14 at 4 pm or 5 pm

Drop In Craft

Saturday, March 16 between 11 am & 1 pm

For information call the Omemee Library at 705 799-5711.

Library Hours

Mondays & Saturdays 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Wednesdays & Thursdays 3:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Search the Library Catalogue at

www.city.kawarthalakes.on.ca/library

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