



Dog Pound Press

May, 2014 Newsletter

MAY'S CHARACTER TRAIT IS RESPECT



Principal's Message

While the level of activity significantly increased during the month of April, May and June promise to be even busier. Some of the important activities which are planned in the near future include Trent Enrichment Camp and a host of year end trips being planned. As many of these trips utilize parent volunteers I would like to take the opportunity to again remind everyone that completed criminal reference checks are required.

Academically, our grade 6 students are focusing on the upcoming EQAO assessments which will take place between May 26th and June 5th. In terms of athletics our attention is primarily focused on track and field as all of our students strive to achieve "personal bests" at our school track meet on Friday, May 16th.

As the warmer weather approaches, it is important to remind our students of the "School Dress Code" as outlined in the agenda. Students are asked to dress appropriately for the "business of education". The hotter weather also brings with it the potential for sunburns as a result of the harmful ultra violet rays so hats and sunscreen are also recommended. Parental support in assisting our students to make wise and suitable clothing choices is greatly appreciated.

Robert Murray
Principal

Graduation

Parents of graduating students, please mark Wednesday, June 25th on your calendar. Graduations ceremonies will begin in the gymnasium at 7:00 p.m.



EQAO Assessment

Education Quality and
Accountability Office



The Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics Primary Division (Grades 1–3) and Junior Division (Grades 4–6) are based on the reading, writing and mathematics expectations in The Ontario Curriculum, Grades 1–8. These assessments provide both individual and system data on students' achievement. The EQAO Assessment window for our grade sixes is from May 26th to June 5th, 2014.

Specific details regarding this assessment will be distributed to grade 6 parents.

House Points

Students earned House points this past month by participating in the Me to We Spirit Week, the camouflage spirit day and/or bringing in pop tabs.

Students will be able to earn House Points in May by participation in our Pedal for Hope Day on May 1st, school Track & Field day on May 16th and our Spirit Day on May 30th.

Current standings are:

Ravens: 1835
Mustangs: 1850
Gryphons: 1829
Golden Hawks: 1802

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"Respect is treating others with dignity and honouring the rules of our family, school and nation."



Junior Mixed Basketball



Congratulations to the junior mixed basketball team on placing 1st at the zone tournament on April 10th and placing

3rd at the county championship on April 17th.

At County, the Terriers opened up the tournament with a victory over Mariposa, who was the top team in the west 14 - 4.

The second game against Lady Mackenzie was won 19-3 in a balanced scoring / rebounding attack.

Parkview proved to be a challenge, but the Terriers won 21-12.

The final team in round robin play was the top team from the North, Bobcaygeon. In a thrilling come from behind victory, the Terriers won 24 - 22 in OT to advance to the final four as Division 1 champs.

Ultimately, the juniors lost to the eventual tournament champions from Leslie Frost. However, as Division 1 champs, they retained their spot on the podium with a 3rd place finish.

Overall, the juniors finished the season with an impressive 7-1 record.

Thank you to all the students and parents who made our season a success.

2013 / 2014 Junior Mixed Basketball Team:

Riley B., Jarrett D., Boston F., Austin E., Reice N., Devin Q., Michaela K., Beth W., Carissa B., Nadia W., Cameron M. and Alicia R..

Me to We

Many thanks to everyone who participated in Me to We's 5 Days of Freedom last month. It was our final Free the Children initiative this year and we are so proud of everyone who helped plan the events! Monday's Dodge Ball tournament turned into a very competitive game with different grade levels competing against each other! Congratulations to all of the participants! Tuesday's Talent Show was incredible! There was a variety of talent on stage. Well done to all who performed! Wednesday's movie was a great success, complete with students singing the songs! Thursday's Intermediate Dance had a beautifully decorated gym and lots of spot dances and prizes. Special thanks to Mr. Demers for the music. The whole school participated in the Community Clean Up following Easter Weekend. A lot of garbage bags were filled along the trail, in the school yard, and along Omemee streets. Great work Scott Young!

Special thanks go to all the Me to We members this year for their excellent participation, cooperation and collaboration on all the events we held: Food Drive, Canadian Tire money drive, Dances, Candy-grams, 5 Days of Freedom, and We Are Silent. You have proven yourselves to be true leaders in our school. A final tally of money raised for Me to We and Pedal for Hope will be available soon. Thank you to staff, students and parents for all of their support this year. We are proving that everyone, no matter what they do, can make a difference.

Girls Basketball



Congratulations to the Senior Girls' Basketball team for a successful season this year! These dedicated girls practiced every Tuesday and Thursday after school with coaches Mrs. Winger and Ms. Ridpath. They worked diligently on improving their basic skills and plays for their zone tournament held on April 10th. The girls played well, demonstrating fantastic skills and fabulous sportsmanship, placing third. Way to go Terriers!!

Scott Young Senior Girls' Basketball Team:

Kayla C.
Morgan B.
Jenna F.
Cheyanne Q.
Jordyn W.
Brandy T.
Melissa J.
Madison F.

City of Kawartha Lakes Public Library

May Events Omemee Library

Drop In Craft

Saturday, May 17th 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

COPS CORNER

A safety message from our police partners

Road safety includes being respectful of the many bicyclists who use our roadways. The OPP would like to remind motorists to "share the road" and move over whenever it is safe to do so.

Bicycle helmets are a vital part of safety and should be worn by all riders. Bicyclists up to the age of 18 are legally required to wear a helmet when on a roadway and failure to comply could result in a \$70 ticket. Parents or guardians who knowingly permit cyclists less than sixteen years of age to ride without a helmet may be fined as per section 104 of the Highway Traffic Act. Stay safe – wear a helmet!

For more information on bicycle safety visit www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/pubs/cycling/guide/ or www.hkpr.on.ca/infoSet/BabiesChildren/InjuryPrevention/HelmetSafety.aspx

Source: OPP Constable Carrie Lanning



Track & Field

The Scott Young Track and Field Day will take place on Friday May 16th, rain or shine! We will have Gatorade, water, and extra pizza available to be purchased that day.

Students that meet standards and qualify will attend County on June 11th.



Junior Garden Club

Students interested in joining the Omemee Junior Garden Club are reminded to bring your registration form to the office. The first meeting is on Sat. May 10th at Coronation Hall from 1:30 to 3:30.



Lost & Found

Please be sure to check the lost & found bin in front of the library. Unclaimed items will be donated to Goodwill.

TLDSB Boys' Writers Conference

Scott Young students are once again very excited to be invited to the 5th Annual Boys' Writers Conference to be held on Friday May 9th. Grade five students, Owen F., Hunter K., Aiden P. and Bradley M. will meet and listen to accomplished authors Ted Staunton, Dan Yashinsky, and Kevin Frank. Students will be able to talk to these professional writers and listen to them as they read their writing in small workshops. It will be an inspiring day for all our boys.