



Jackson Elementary School

October Newsletter

Thank you for parking along the road, or in the front parking lot before and after school. Please remember the **back parking lot is ONLY for staff parking**, not dropping off or picking up students.

We would like to welcome Mr. Gordon Poole, our new teacher for Division 4. He begins Friday, October 6th. We would also like to thank Mrs. Leanne Gray for starting the classroom and teaching them routines, expectations and engaging lessons.

Student birthdays are acknowledged from the office with a certificate and pencil. Some teachers may also have a small item for students. Unfortunately, we are not able to celebrate class parties for birthdays as we have many diverse allergies. Families are welcome to send in a very small item, eg. Pencils, erasers, pencil toppers, for a child's birthday, but **food items are not permitted**.

Thank you for visiting us during "Meet the Teacher Night". We look forward to seeing everyone during **Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 18 and 19**. Teachers are setting up their schedules, so please connect with your child's teacher for further information.

Early dismissal will be at 11:56 on October 18 and October 19. Evening appointments are available from 4-7pm on October 19.

It was great to see families supporting the children running for Terry Fox. We **raised \$209.15 for Cancer Research!** Well done, Jackson!

It was also **wonderful to see so many Orange Shirts last week**. Teachers taught developmentally appropriate lessons about the reasons why we wear Orange on that day.

October is full of our Emergency Drill practices. Students will be coming home and sharing how well they did with evacuation and other drills.

Our PAC has already been busy planning fun activities for all our students and families. Please **check out School Cash Online to order Pizza and Popcorn this month.** We will also be having a Pumpkin fundraiser. More information will be coming from the PAC.

Hallowe'en costumes will be welcome on October 31st for our Hallowe'en Howl at 10:00. We will move around the school to music outside. The gates of our parking lot will be closed to ensure student safety. Families are welcome to participate. **Please only take photos of your child as we have many who do not given permission for their child's photo to be taken.** Children will be welcome to change out of their costume at recess and carry on with the rest of their day. **Feel free to send a change of clothes so your child is comfortable.**

Gory/scary costumes will not be permitted. Please keep weapons, blood, etc. at home.

Many classrooms are having a Pajama Day on November 1st. Please check with your classroom teacher. It's a fun way to learn, especially the day after Hallowe'en. 😊

We would sincerely like to thank our PAC for the delicious treats and coffee on World Teacher Day! We certainly felt appreciated and are grateful for such a supportive community.

Important Dates for October

Monday, October 9th: Thanksgiving: No School

Monday, October 16th: PAC Meeting in Library 8:45am Everyone welcome 😊

Wednesday, October 18th: Early Dismissal 11:56 and Parent Teacher Conferences

Thursday, October 19th: Early Dismissal 11:56 and Parent Teacher Conferences

- Evening conferences from 4-7pm

Friday, October 20: Professional Development for Staff: NO School

Thursday, October 26th: Photo retakes

Friday, October 27th: PAC Pumpkin Fundraiser

- Pizza Day

Tuesday, October 31st: Hallowe'en Howl @ 10:00 (costumes welcome)

- Popcorn Day

Wednesday, November 1st: Pajama Day