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Simcoe County District School Board Character trait of the month.

Courage

We do the right thing, even when it's difficult

Give Thanks - November 9th



Remembrance Day Service

In our Gym
Friday, November 9, 2018
10:30 AM
Parents are welcome!

Our ceremony will consist of readings and presentations from students.
This ceremony will be for all students in the school
All parents are welcome to share in this special ceremony with our students.
Ceremony will begin at 10:30 AM : Kindergarten to Grade 8

Book Fair

Thinking of buying a book as a Christmas present? Why not stop into the library during the student-led conferences in November and have a look around? The library will be hosting a book fair the week of Nov. 20-26th. Such a fun way to support the school and encourage the love of reading. Looking forward to seeing many of you there.

Visitors to Sir William Osler PS

For the safety of all of our students we are reminding **all parents/guardians** that our school and board policy insists that all visitors (non-students) are obliged to sign in at the school office when entering the school for any purpose. We ask that consideration be given to not disrupting students and teachers during their instructional time. Our teachers would be glad to speak to you over the phone or arrange a personal appointment. Messages for students should be kept to emergencies and left with Mrs. Jamieson in the office.

Canadian Tire Money

Sir William Osler School is continuing to accept donations of Canadian tire money. Funds raised help to support replenishing the athletic teams' first aid kits that are used when our extra-curricular teams participate in offsite games and tournaments.

Please forward any donations of Canadian Tire money to the school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Working Towards a Scent-Reduced Environment

In order to protect those individuals with fragrance sensitivities and those who have respiratory issues, the Board is asking for voluntary cooperation towards a scent-reduced environment. Staff, students and all other persons who are invited to or who work on Board property are strongly encouraged to avoid or reduce the use of fragranced products, and to replace them with unscented alternatives. This is a request to voluntarily reduce the use of chemical-based scented products. Thank you for your consideration.

Please No Nuts!

We request your understanding and co-operation in our need to continue to make our school safe in order to assist students who have a potentially fatal allergy to nuts. Please send lunches and snacks with students that are nut free. Thank you for your co-operation.

Bus Cancellation Information Reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at

www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca. Our school is in the *South* zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted.

The Consortium and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled in the morning will not run at the end of the day.

You can follow the Consortium on Twitter @SCSTC_SchoolBus for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/>

High School Information Nights For Grade 8 Students

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information nights happen this fall and winter. This event gives an overview of what's new, what to expect, as well as a chance to check out the school and ask questions. More information about our local high school information night to come.

Treaties Recognition Week takes place Nov. 5 to 9

Did you know we are ALL treaty people? Treaties Recognition Week is the first week of November every year - this year it's Nov. 5 to 9. The Simcoe County District School Board is located on territory covered by several pre-confederation treaties - Treaty 5, 16, 18, 19 and 82, as well as the 1923 William's Treaty.

Treaties Recognition Week was introduced in 2016 to honour the importance of treaties and to help Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and treaty relationships. Take some time this week to learn about the treaty in your area. To learn more about the treaties and how we can honour them, visit www.ontario.ca/page/treaties.

Safe Water In Our School

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit, along with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, works with local school boards in their efforts to ensure children are protected from unnecessary exposure to lead from drinking water. All schools are required to flush their plumbing regularly and sample their water to test for lead. Samples must be collected at every tap that provides drinking water or that is used to prepare food or drink for children under the age of 18. Schools are required to test both standing (water that has been sitting in the distribution lines) and flushed water (water which has run through the lines) for lead on a regular basis (e.g. annually). Flushing has been shown to reduce lead levels in water and is a recognized lead reduction strategy. If a school's drinking water test result is above the provincial drinking water standard for lead, the schools communicate these results to the local Medical Officer of Health and the Ministry of the Environment Conservation and Parks to ensure corrective actions are carried out and the problem is resolved.

Information provided by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

Health Matters

Support your child to recognize their personal strengths and role model an accepting, positive attitude for people of all shapes and sizes. Children and teens may feel insecure about their appearance, size, physical skills and strength.

Fuel: Make it easy for your child to fuel their bodies by making healthy foods easily available when they are hungry. Focus on whole grains, vegetables and fruits, lean meats and low-fat milk products. Limit processed foods by preparing meals and snacks at home. Eat together as a family as much as possible.

Activity: Encourage your child to be doing something active every day. It can be as simple as going for a walk. Being active helps them to have energy, cope with stress, and sleep better.

Sleep: Children and teens need 9-10 hours of sleep, as their bodies and minds are growing. Turning off technology early in the evening will help ensure a good night's sleep.

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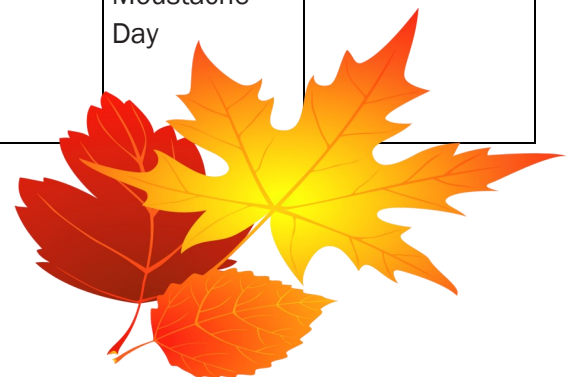


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Cookie Dough Fundraiser	2	3
4	5	6	7	8 Poinsettia Fundraiser	9 Remembrance Day Service 10:30 AM	10
11	12 Cookie Dough Orders Due	13	14 World Diabetes Day Wear Blue & Donations are Accepted	15	16 Gr. 1-8 Progress Reports JK – SK Communication of Learning Go Home	17
18	19 Student/ Parent/ Conferences	20 Book Fair Starts Picture	21	22	23	24
25	26 Book Fair Ends School Council Meeting 5:15 pm	27 Poinsettia Orders Due	28	29	30 Spirit Moustache Day	



Upcoming Dates

Dec 12—Seasonal Concert 2:05 PM

Dec 13—Seasonal Concert (Snow Date) 2:05 PM

Dec 24– Jan 4—Winter Break