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Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians;

Autumn festivities are now in full swing around the school. Many of our classrooms have been busy going on seasonal field trips over the last couple of weeks. It's nice to see so many parents volunteering; many of our field trips would not be possible without you so thank you for your efforts! The autumn season has also brought colder weather and rain. A reminder that students should be coming to school in warm clothing and jackets. It is also advisable for your son or daughter to bring an umbrella on rainy days as our entrances don't have overhangs. As well, we try to get outside as much as possible during recess and lunch, even in light to moderate rain.

We have a few important dates coming up:

- Oct 25th** PAC Halloween Bake Sale
- Oct 26th** Books for Bed Time, 6-7pm
- Oct 27th** School Assembly, 9am
- Oct 30th** Student Photo Retakes
- Oct 30th** PAC Pumpkin Carving Contest
- Oct 31st** Halloween Costume Walk & Assembly, 1pm
- Nov 8th** Remembrance Day Assembly, 1pm
- Nov 10th** Early Dismissal Day
- Nov 20th** Formal Report Cards Go Home
- Nov 21st-23rd** Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thanks,
Shane Sliziak, Principal

Cherry Hill Newsletters

Our newsletters are now fully 'paperless'. For the rest of the year they will be emailed, posted to the school website, and PAC facebook page. If you or someone you know did not receive this newsletter by email, that means we do not have an updated email address on file. Our secretary can update your email account so that you will receive our newsletters when they are sent out.

School Cash Online

Another reminder that Mission Public School District is using School Cash Online for school purchases. Please visit our school website (www.cherryhill.mpsd.ca) to register your son or daughter. It is very important to enter registration information (student name, birth date, email, etc.) in the exact

same way it was reported on our school registration form. For technical assistance, please use the School Cash Online Help Line as this will be the quickest way to resolve any registration issues. At the moment we are in a transitional phase, but eventually we would like to shift all school payments to the online system. With this in mind, the sooner you start using School Cash Online, the smoother the transition period will be for you and everyone.

PAC Halloween Bake Sale

We are happy to announce that Cherry Hill's PAC will be running a Halloween bake sale on Oct 25th. Donations can be dropped off at the PAC kitchen in the morning. Classes will be allowed to purchase items for break times. The price of items will range from \$0.25 to \$1.00.

Books for Bed Time

Books for Bed Time is quickly approaching. The event will be held on **October 26th, from 6-7pm** (please note there was a typo in our last newsletter regarding the date). Pre-school to Grade 2 children and their parents are welcome to attend. We will have many activities this year including crafts, stories, math for kids and much more! Children are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes.

Student Picture Retake Day

Please note **student picture retake day is October 30th**. First take order forms were sent home last week. Order forms can be dropped off at the office with our secretary.

Halloween Festivities (Oct. 30th-31st)

This year PAC will run another pumpkin carving contest on the 30th at the front entrance of the school. Participants are asked to bring pumpkins they have carved at home and leave them at the show table for the day. Each pumpkin will be judged throughout the day with winners announced later in the afternoon. Winning pumpkins will receive great prizes! The following day, October 31st, students are encouraged to wear their Halloween costumes to school (rules outlining appropriate costumes will be communicated in a letter next week). In the afternoon we will have a costume parade around the school followed by an assembly in the gym. Parents are encouraged to attend to cheer on their children during the parade.

School Recycling Program Reminder

There still seems to be a bit of confusion surrounding recycling and garbage disposal methods in each division. This

year our school is participating in an enhanced recycling program. Participating classrooms will be responsible for recycling food waste, paper/cardboard, glass, metals and hard/soft plastics. As this is a large endeavor, some divisions have chosen not to participate. Because we can be fined if we do not dispose of our waste appropriately, divisions that chose not to participate must pack their waste in and out of the school. If your son or daughter packs their waste home at the end of the day, this means their teacher has chosen not to participate in the program. If you have any further questions regarding this, please speak with your child's teacher or the school principal.

First Formal Report Cards

The first set of formal report cards will go home on November 20th. Mission Public School District has developed a new report card format that will be used for the first time this reporting period.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent teacher interviews will run between November 21st and 23rd. The format for the parent teacher interview is typically unique to each division. As we get nearer the date, information will be sent home from your son or daughter's teacher regarding the interview. We strongly encourage parents to take advantage of the parent teacher interview as it is a great way to become an active partner in your son or daughter's education.

Cherry Hill PAC Facebook Page Reminder

We would like to remind parents that our PAC has a facebook page. The name of the page is 'Cherry Hill PAC'. It is a closed group so you will need to request to 'join' the page. Once you have been accepted you will have access to regular school and PAC updates.

Great Things Happening at Cherry Hill Elementary



Ms. Kaszonyi using hands on learning in her classroom. Students learn how to make slime!



Division 2 and 4 learned experimental design and hypothesis testing through an exploration of our local water system.



Sean from Snack Pack dropping off food donations for our school. The Snack Pack program used local monetary donations to buy food for schools which is used to feed students that are hungry at school. The program just started at our school but is already having a huge impact helping students that need more nutrition at recess and lunch.



Students in Division 3 learn Newton's Laws of Motion through experimental design and hands on measurement.