



May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians:

I would like to take a moment to express how very proud I am of our Cherry Hill Elementary school community, including our student body, staff, and families. We've hosted some pretty incredible events over the last couple of weeks including our PAC Carnival, School Board Meeting Presentation, and 'The Elders Are Watching' Art Show. The efforts of our staff, parents and student body have made these wonderful events possible!

Firstly, I would like to thank our PAC for their tireless efforts planning and organizing our PAC carnival. As well thank you to all of our parent, staff and student volunteers for pitching in. For a few of our new families, the carnival was their first introduction to the Cherry Hill community. Job well done everyone!

Next, I would like to acknowledge the work our librarian, Janet Kaszonyi, has done in the redesign of our library. Last week we hosted an open Board meeting and Ms. Kaszonyi and group of students presented on the learning commons space in our library, and the ADST learning technologies our students have been working with over the course of the year. Our district trustees learned how to green screen, build electrical circuits, and code robots. All were amazed with the 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning going on in our library. Well done Ms. Kaszonyi and her group presenting students!

Last but certainly not least, I would like to thank all parents/guardians and community members that found time in their busy schedules last week to either attend our "The Elders Are Watching" Art Show or pop by on Friday for a viewing. We were all very taken back by the beautiful artwork each and every one of our students created. It was a breathtaking experience having all 254 pieces in one space. It is important to recognize that none of this would have been possible without the ingenuity and hard work of Susan O'Soup, Aboriginal Liaison, and Anna Abbott, ISP teacher. My hat goes off to both of these amazing woman, who are such an

integral part of Cherry Hill's school community. I'd also like to recognize the efforts from our music program, Ms. Midzain and Divisions 3 and 7 performers. Thank you for a wonderful show! Our support staff also worked extra hours and made the coffee and snacks table possible at the event. A true team effort! Well done everyone.

Here are a few important dates coming up:

- May 31<sup>st</sup>** Month End Assembly 9:00am, gym
- May 31<sup>st</sup>-June 16<sup>th</sup>** Participation: Community Better Challenge
- June 6<sup>th</sup>** Young Entrepreneurs Fair 10:30am, gym
- June 7<sup>th</sup>** Sports Day, early dismissal 1:50pm
- June 13<sup>th</sup>** Community Better Schoolwide Dance, 10:30am
- June 18<sup>th</sup>** Cops for Cancer Assembly, 1:30pm
- June 20<sup>th</sup>** PAC Schoolwide Pizza Party
- June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Aboriginal Day
- June 25<sup>th</sup>** Month End Assembly (service awards), 1:00pm
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** Farewell Assembly, 1:00pm
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** Report Cards Go Home
- June 27<sup>th</sup>** Last Day of School

Thanks,  
Shane Sliziak, Principal

## May Month End Assembly

We would like to invite families to our May Month End Assembly on Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, at 9:00am. In our assembly we will honour students of the month for the sacred aboriginal teaching of Truth. We will also celebrate our 'Five Great Things' around Cherry Hill for the months of April and May.

## 'The Elders Are Watching' Student Canvasses

Our plan is to have students take their canvasses home with them on Friday should the weather not be rainy. Parents of students that walk home may want to pick up canvasses at the end of the day Friday so that they are not damaged on their walk home. These canvasses are all true works of art, and we hope they can be hung at home and enjoyed for many years to come. As a final way to connect this project to the underlying message of the book, we would like to make a small donation to

Camp Central, a school district summer camp designed to support local youth. For the beautiful canvasses that will soon brighten up your homes, we are asking parents to make a small donation of a ‘Twoonie’. All donations will go directly to Camp Central. Messaging around donations for student canvasses will be sent home in the coming days.

**Participation: Community Better Challenge & Hip Hop Dance Choreography at Cherry Hill**

The ParticipACTION, Community Better Challenge is right around the corner. The City of Mission is registered in the Canada wide challenge to track our activity minutes from May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 16<sup>th</sup>. Anyone can participate and track their physical activity minutes through the challenge app. Please see attached informational page for details and online links. The participating community with the most activity minutes will win \$150,000. Cherry Hill will be participating in hip hop dance choreography lessons, taught by professional dance instructor, Gina Janus. Students will participate in a total of 6 lessons to count towards our school’s activity minutes. As a final celebration of the Community Better Challenge, we will do a schoolwide choreographed hip hop dance on our back field on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. We are hoping to have a drone film the entire dance! Parents and community members are encouraged to join us on the June 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Cherry Hill Running Club**

As part of our Community Better Challenge efforts, Ms. Hodson will be starting a Cherry Hill Running Club from June 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:05 to 8:20. Students will meet in the mornings to run laps on our playing field. Activity minutes from the running club will count towards our Community Better Challenge activity minutes. Please keep a look in planners for more information regarding the running club.

**Young Entrepreneurs Fair**

Students from Divisions 2 and 3, under the leadership of Mr. Spencer and Mr. Lillbeck, have been hard at work for the last several months on a young entrepreneurs project. Students have learned about finance, design, planning, construction, and the marketing aspects of being an entrepreneur. All of our students from these divisions have created a business model and have a product to sell to our greater community. On June 6<sup>th</sup>, starting at 10:30am, these students will be selling their

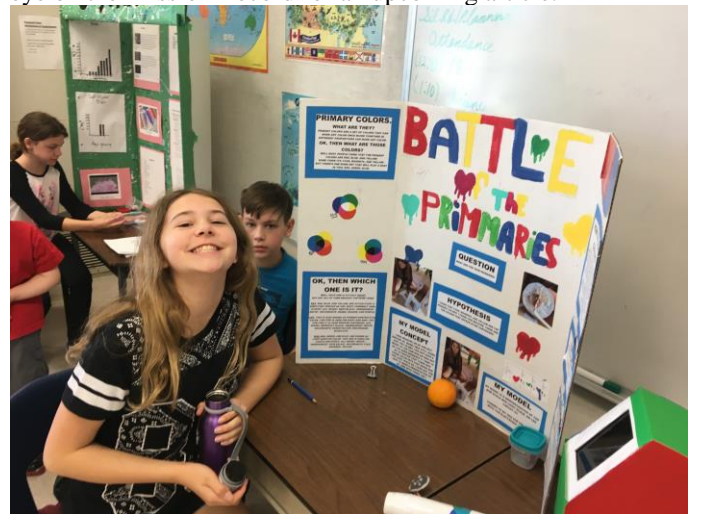
products at the first ever, Cherry Hill Young Entrepreneurs Fair. Please join us that morning with some pocket change to support our young entrepreneurs!

**Cherry Hill Sports Day (Early Dismissal)**

Our Cherry Hill Sports Day is scheduled for June 7<sup>th</sup>. This is an all day event, rain or shine! Please have students dress appropriately for a day of activity! Please note, as in years past, we will have an early dismissal of 1:50pm. If you are not able to pick your child up early that day, please let their teacher know, and supervision will be organized until the regular 2:22 dismissal. Students that normally go to Club Kids after school will be supervised in the gym until Club Kids begins. Planner inserts with reminders about our Sports Day will come early this week. Our PAC will be at the event with concessions items. Community members are encouraged to attend!



Proud School Trustees in attendance at our Art Show. Keep an eye on the Mission Record for an upcoming article.



A student from Division 1 showing off her Science Fair project! What a unique concept!