

Dear Parents,

Happy Friday!

Thank you to all families who supported our School Council's McDonald's Night fundraiser on Tuesday evening. Funds raised from this event will help keep our classroom fruit bowls full.

Tuesday afternoon, our grade 3 and 6 Math teachers participated in professional development with Instructional Coach Ann Chevrier. We focused on increasing our use of the Leaps and Bounds resource. It includes diagnostic tools and intervention lessons to assist our students who are struggling in mathematics. We look forward to sharing our ongoing learning with you!

On Wednesday, junior students were given the opportunity to vote for a local federal candidate. Over 1 million other students across Canada have been learning about the electoral process and will be conducting similar mock elections throughout the week. The votes have been tabulated, but the results will not be released until after the federal election on Monday, October 21. We will then be able to see how each region of students voted, compared to the real federal election results. Thank you to students in EF56A and R6A who ran the mock election and tabulated the votes and to CIVIX.ca for providing the materials needed for the election.

Additionally, students in Ms. Waddell's, Mme Grainger's and Mme Heather's class enjoyed their trip to Saunders Farm. Despite the rain, Jaguars enjoyed a wagon ride, a puppet show, exciting mazes and outdoor activities. They also learned about different pumpkins and how they grow. Thank you to our parent volunteers who joined the group.

On Thursday, sixty-five grades 3 to 6 students braved the cold and rain and participated in their Regional Cross Country runs. Congratulations to our Jaguar runners who demonstrated exceptional skill and character at the meet. It is always a pleasure to share our polite and well-behaved students with the community. Our top ten finishes include Wyatt in grade 4, Sophie L. in grade 3, Evan D. in grade 5, Mae G. in grade 6, Sophie L. in grade 5, Katie H. in grade 4, Rebecca M. in grade 4, Ryleigh in grade 5, Emmanuelle B. in grade 3, and Hailey in grade 3. Congratulations to Wyatt in grade 4 who placed 7th for the grade 4 boys! Thank you to Coaches Meilleur, Ivison and Pratt for providing this opportunity for our students. A huge Jaguar ROAR to our parent volunteers who assisted us. We couldn't have done it without you!

Today, our girls' soccer team participated in their regional tournaments at Barrhaven PS. While we did not bring home a banner, we certainly demonstrated exceptional Jockvale teamwork, spirit and sportsmanship. On Monday, our boys' junior soccer team will have a chance to demonstrate their skills. We wish them the best of luck! Thank you to Coaches Honsberger and Sinclair for their dedication to athletics.

Looking ahead to next week, on Monday, Jockvale will be a community polling station for the Federal Election. Please note that there will be additional car and pedestrian traffic around our building on that day. As there will be additional guests entering our building by the gym doors during the day, a security guard will be on site to assist us.

On Wednesday, it is once again time to strike a pose and SAY CHEESE. Edge Imaging returns to take our class photos and photo retakes.

Just like we have fire drills and lockdown practices to instill best practices, we do the same with our buses. On Thursday, all Jaguars will participate in bus evacuation drills. Students will simulate an emergency evacuation by exiting the bus by the side and/or back door. We thank our friends at OSTA for providing this opportunity for our students.

On Friday, we will enjoy a SPIRIT DAY. Jaguars are encouraged to wear black and orange. We look forward to seeing our school spirit!

Join us for our first dance of the year on Friday, October 25th from 6 to 8:30PM. This School Council event will feature a bake sale, photo booth, games, a laser maze and more. Admission is \$3 per person or \$10 for a family of 4! This is a family event and all children must be accompanied by an adult! Don't forget to wear your costume, but please no masks or weapons!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Robyn

COUNCIL CORNER

To make the Halloween dance a success, we are looking for volunteers to help with set-up, admission, bake sale, photo booth, supervising games and the dance floor. If you are able to help out for an hour or more please contact jockvalecouncil@google.com/.

Pizza kits from Little Caesars order forms have gone home with the students. Due date of 1 Nov for pickup on 14 Nov. Volunteers are also needed on the 14th to sort and distribute the orders, if you can lend a hand that day please contact jockvalecouncil@google.com/.

COMMUNITY CORNER

Family Funday in support of Leukemia research!

A few grade 12 students from John McCrae Secondary School have organized a Family Funday on October 27th from 11am to 3pm. We would love for you to come and support this great cause! Games, BBQ, prizes and more! All ages welcome.

Tickets for the games will be sold at the entrance and food will be sold at a rate of your choosing (what you wish to donate).

We will also be having a raffle for items such as local restaurant gift cards and more! There will be many winners.