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Clifton School Newsletter

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THE AVIAN REPORT

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November is a time for us to think about PEACE. We work for peace at Clifton School by thinking of ways we can be safe, respectful, and responsible in all we say and do, every day. Communication is an essential part of the process. This newsletter is one form of communication, but we welcome all others, including phone calls, emails, or face-to-face conversations.

Speaking of communication, we are excited to welcome you back for in person parent teacher interviews! That is happening November 17th in the evening and November 18th in the morning. If these times do not work for you, contact your child's teacher to arrange an alternative time for a phone interview.

Expect your child's report card on November 16. They are sent electronically. Make sure you download the file, so you save it for your records.

Please join us on Thursday, November 10th at 11:00 a.m. for our Remembrance Day Assembly. Led by our students from room 38, we will be honouring veterans and soldiers who served in the Canadian Armed Forces. Poppies will be given to all children. Contributions are gratefully accepted and will be given to the Legion.

Thank you to all the families who supported the Parent Advisory Committee and placed a Mom's Pantry order. All students in the school will benefit from the funds that are raised.

Just a couple of quick reminders... If your family will be going away on a trip, please inform the office by emailing clifton@wsd1.org and also cc your child's teacher. Staff email addresses are also posted on our website under the Administration tab. Below is a list of teachers' email addresses.

Another friendly reminder...teachers are at the front door at 8:45 and 12:55 to welcome your child to school and prepare them to start learning right at 9:00 and 1:00. Helping your child be on time, all the time, helps benefit their academic success and sets the tone for future professional habits!

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AERIE SPOTLIGHT

Rm. 10 Nursery/Kindergarten

What a fun and busy month we had in October! We had picture day, bus ridership, Halloween activities and participated in our first fire drill! We began our Science unit on Trees and learned about the parts of a tree. We also created some beautiful art work by painting leaves and pressing them onto paper.

Next month we will be learning all about Colour which is from the Science curriculum. This will include many reading & writing activities, fun colour days and colour math activities. I am looking forward to seeing you all at our parent/teacher conferences this month and sharing in your child's progress.

Happy Fall
Mrs. Lagadi



Rm. 9 Grade 1

Wow! Is it the end of October?!!

This month, we have worked on further developing number sense and working with our number of the day. Students have been showing different ways to represent numbers, the meaning of each numeral in a two digit number (with the help of ten frames) and further developing our understanding of number by exploring the terms odd and even. In addition, we continue to reinforce counting skills and patterning through centers and Calendar activities. Students in room 9 have worked very hard at learning how to logon to Chromebooks and the Dreambox Math program! They are beginning to become more independent at these two tasks. We will continue to learn how to access programs such as Raz-kids and Seesaw through the use of classroom Chromebooks moving forward.

Our Language Arts activities and centers continued to work on recognizing initial letter sounds and some blends. Students are learning about how authors use illustrations to give the reader clues about the story. As a class we developed criteria to help us create meaningful pictures to match our stories.

Students are encouraged to use the Dictionary tool we have in our classroom as well as a sound chart to help them write words. We also brainstorm for ideas to write about and provide possible sentence stems to help them with writing their ideas.

Students continue to enjoy Elephant and Piggie in the Mo Willems series of books and really enjoy reading them during independent reading times. A strong focus for our beginning readers continues to be on using pictures in books and pointing to words as they read texts.

We are continually learning about Seasonal and Daily Changes as well as learning more about our families and how we are all connected as a classroom in our Social Studies learning.

Mrs. Taylor

AERIE SPOTLIGHT

Rm. 7 Gr. 2/3

Students continue to work on math games that practice addition and subtraction facts to 20, 50 and 100 using a variety of strategies. We are working on explaining the strategies we are using to add and subtract larger numbers. A “shout out” to the students who worked so hard on Dreambox and Prodigy.

It is important for your child to work through the problems independently so that we can track their progress and their challenges.

We are happy to have Miss Saeed every Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. She is a nursing student from the University of Manitoba and is going to be working on a few themes around Health. The themes she is focusing on include; dental care and the main food groups for healthy eating habits. Welcome Miss Saeed, we love having you!

Parent-Teacher conferences are just around the corner. I am looking forward to meeting with you so that we can talk about all the wonderful accomplishments your child has participated in this term.

Mrs. De Luca

October has been a great opportunity to continue getting to know each other, make some new friends, and learn to work together as a team. Of special note, the students have been excited to show their progress with their home reading bags. Remember, about fifteen minutes of reading each night is a great way to help with reading growth! At the end of September we began working in our literacy centres five days per cycle. During this time, students have the opportunity to work on their reading and writing skills. The reading skill we have been practicing is all about making connections to the books we read. We consider the book and how it relates to our experiences, knowledge, and other things we have seen in the world. Our next step in our learning is to use these connections to make informed predictions about what we think will happen in a book. In writing, the students have been eager and excited for opportunities to write stories and create their own books! We have been learning strategies to help us plan out and add more details, so our stories can be more interesting for our readers.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me by email at slangille@wsd1.org

Stacy Langille



AERIE SPOTLIGHT

Rm. 3 Gr. 3/4

Hi families of Room 3,

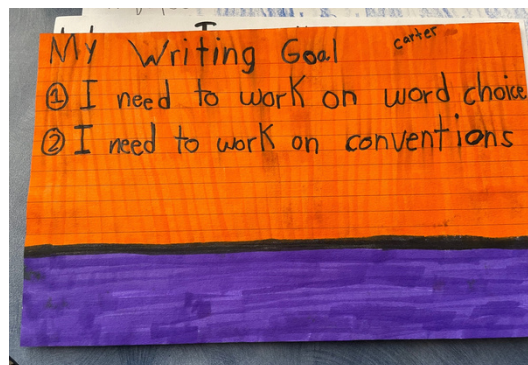
I wanted to take this opportunity to share some of the online programs we use in our classroom that can also be used at home. It's important that students are reading each night for 20 minutes to help them work towards their reading goals. Students at home can access Raz-Kids to read books that are at their reading level. Another program we use as part of our math program is Dreambox. Students can work on their assigned lessons at home and work towards completing their weekly goal of five lessons. Please let me know if you have any questions and I look forward to meeting with you in November at our school conferences.

Ms. Kuzyk

Rm. 4 Gr. 4/5

It is hard to believe that it is already November! The students have been working hard on their provinces/territories projects and are excited to present their projects to the rest of the class. The students have also been taking ownership of their own learning and setting their own learning goals in writing specifically. They chose two writing goals they want to get better at this term and how they plan on achieving those goals. Since doing this, I have noticed an improvement in their writing. This month we will be starting our year long project on Heroes where students will be working collaboratively with other students in rooms 3 and 38. We are looking forward to getting this project started! I look forward to meeting with all of you during parent-teacher interviews in a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Reis



Rm. 38 Gr. 5/6

October was a month full of learning in Room 38. In English Language Arts, students have been writing persuasive pieces, cause and effect informational paragraphs and short stories. They have also been understanding how to complete roles connected to Literature Circle reading. In Math, the students have been solving fraction word problems. They are also using various strategies to solve multiplication problems.

Students have been learning about the major events of World War I and World War II. This will help them when they lead the Remembrance Day Ceremony. They were introduced to Electricity as well. They will be using the design process to create an electricity prototype.

Congratulations to Declan, the Patrol of the Month for October. Declan has shown great leadership skills as patrol captain. Keep up the great work.

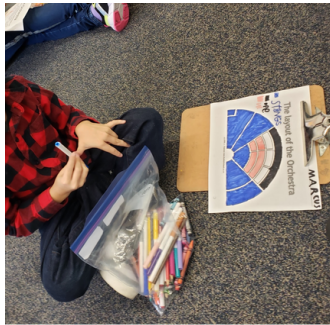
Mr. Di Geronimo

AERIE SPOTLIGHT

Music

The month has been a whirlwind of activity in the Music room. Room 7 and 9 have been exploring the heart beat of the song versus the Rhythm of the song and trying not to wake the grizzly bear by singing with a piano voice instead of a forte voice. Room 3 has started learning about all the different sections and instruments of an Orchestra. Room 3 and 38 have focused on a review of the note values and working as a team to play a variety of music with the boomwhackers and rhythm instruments.

Mrs. Robinson



Phys. Ed

On Wednesday October 26th the students at Clifton School participated in the annual Terry Fox Run. The Terry Fox Run is held nationally every year in the memory of Terry Fox who had the goal of running across Canada to raise money for cancer research. While Terry did not accomplish his goal his dream of a cure for cancer lives on through the annual Terry Fox Run. This year the students at Clifton School ran around the field for just over fifteen minutes being cheered on and encouraged by teachers and staff. Thanks to the student's hard work we are one step closer to living in a world without cancer.

Ms. Ermet (Substitute for Mr. Sharp)



CLUTCH CORNER

Parent Council

Dear Parents / Guardians,

A huge thank you to all those who helped fundraise with Mom's Pantry! The money raised will go towards the final phase of our play structure. Without you and your efforts this project to better our school and community would not be possible.

We have two more fundraisers planned for 2022. Our Cash for Christmas raffle will start later in November. Proceeds go directly to the school. In addition there will be a Movie Night fundraiser on Friday December 16th. Proceeds from this will go toward the Grade 6 farewell. The Cash for Christmas draw will take place during the movie night! We hope to see you all there. We will send out more info on these events soon.

We have started a new program in the school during the lunch hour called "Lunch Leaders". Two rotating volunteers from each classroom help with returning the lunch cart and putting away milk. As well, we have had grade 5 & 6 students come help out with the younger grades during lunch. The program has been well received by the students with many volunteers and a great sense of accomplishment.

We have been going outside for lunch recess; please ensure your child is dressed for the ever changing weather. We remind all students that during lunch time we want to keep with the school motto. "Be safe. Be respectful. Be responsible." to staff and their fellow students.

Just a reminder the new price for lunch program this year is \$30 a month. If you ever have questions or concerns about the lunch program please email cliftonschoollp@gmail.com.

Thank you to all those who joined us at the October PAC meeting. Our next meeting is Wednesday, November 30th at 5:00 pm. Parents are always welcome to attend. Childcare is provided if you need to bring your child(ren).

A large, colorful, hand-drawn graphic of the words "THANK YOU". The word "THANK" is on the top line and "YOU" is on the bottom line. The letters are drawn in a thick, brush-stroke style. The colors used are teal, pink, yellow, brown, and green. The "T" is teal, "H" is pink, "A" is yellow, "N" is brown, "K" is pink, "Y" is brown, "O" is green, and "U" is yellow.

Public Health Nurse - WRHA

Hello Clifton School Community:

My name is Anne Sikora. I am the Public Health Nurse for Clifton School. Recently, I ran an immunization clinic for the Grade 6 students at Clifton School. Students whose parents provided consent received the Hepatitis B vaccine (HBV), Human Papilloma Virus vaccine (HPV) and the Meningococcal vaccine (Men-C-ACYW-135). These are the routine childhood immunizations that are due and offered to all Manitoba children when they are in Grade 6. HBV and HPV require two doses for full protection, so the second dose of these immunizations will be provided by public health in May, 2023 at the school. A reminder letter will be sent home with all Grade 6 students approximately one week before the second dose clinic. This will ensure that parents are aware when their child will be immunized at the school, if they had already provided immunization consent for dose one.

If you missed the opportunity to provide consent and still wish to have your Grade 6 student immunized, please contact me Monday to Friday at 204-612-1242, between the hours of 9:00-5:00 in order to arrange an immunization appointment. Any student who is immunized before the end of November, 2022 will be eligible to receive the second dose of the HBV and/or HPV vaccines with their classmates at the school clinic that will be scheduled for May, 2023.

In addition to the school-based immunizations, PHNs will be hosting a variety of Flu and COVID immunization clinics this Fall. The primary series, boosters and bivalent COVID vaccines will be available at all of our clinics, in addition to the Influenza vaccine. The public PHN run clinic that will take place in the Downtown West neighborhood will be on Tuesday, November 8, 2022 and is open to anyone 6 months of age or older. Details regarding the time and location of the clinic are:

Free Flu & COVID Vaccine Clinic

St Peter's Lutheran Church

November 8, 2022

3:30PM – 6:30 PM

65 Walnut Street

YOU CAN ALSO GET A FREE FLU SHOT AT:

- The Doctor's office • Walk-in clinic
- Pharmacy • Walk-in Connected Care clinic

For more information, call your local
Public Health team at: 204 940-6669
Health Links Info Santé at 204-788-8200.
Stay healthy everyone!

Anne Sikora, RN, BN



Winnipeg Regional Health Authority Office régional de la santé de Winnipeg



School Messenger/Safe Arrival Reporting System allows parents/guardians to report student absences by phone, web, or smartphone app. Parents can call in an absence to the system. By reporting through Safe Arrival, you will not receive a phone call from the school. For safety reasons, in the event of an unexplained student absence, the system will communicate with parents in a timely manner. **Parents/Guardians are reminded NOT to call the school or inform the teacher of the absence, it must be reported in Safe Arrival. All absences must be reported before 9:00am.**

There are three ways to report an absence through Safe Arrival:



PHONE

Parents/Guardians can:
Call the toll-free number
1-855-278-4512



INTERNET

Parents/Guardians can:

1. Log into the website go.schoolmessenger.com and tap Sign Up to create your account
2. Once you have signed up to create an absence, select attendance"from the menu, and then select "Report an Absence.



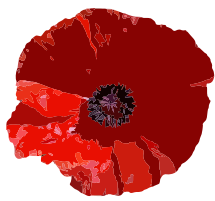
iPHONE or ANDROID DEVICE

If you would like to use an app on your smartphone.

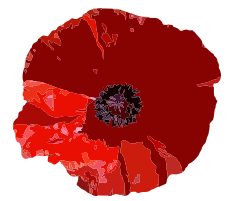
Parents/Guardians can:
Download the app from Google Play, Apple App store, or from the link
go.schoolmessenger.ca


1. Download the free app
2. Login to the app
3. Report the absence

Please note that all absences/lates must be reported before 9:00am.



NOVEMBER



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	1 Day 3	2 Day 4	3 Day 5	4 Day 6
7 Day 1	8 Day 2 Rooms 4 & 38 to Brookside Cemetery	9 Day 3	10 Day 4 Remembrance Day Service 11:00am	11 Remembrance Day 
14 Day 5	15 Day 6	16 Day 1 Report Cards Go Home	17 Day 2 Picture Retakes Classroom Photos PT Conferences Evening 5-8pm	18 Day 3 PT Conferences 9am - 12pm NO SCHOOL NON- INSTRUCTIONAL DAY
21 Day 4	22 Day 5	23 Day 6	24 Day 1	25 Day 2 Pizza Fundraiser
28 Day 3	29 Day 4	30 Day 5 PAC Meeting 5:00 PM		