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Hello everyone!

As we approach a new month, we thought we'd share some updates for October. Just a reminder that there are no classes on Mon, Sept 30th for National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

Our October school calendar is posted now to our school website:

<https://southernkings.edu.pe.ca/sites/southernkings.edu.pe.ca/files/Oct%202024-Calendar.pdf>

Halloween (Thu, Oct 31)

Costumes are welcomed (optional) on this day with the following guidelines: ***No Masks ~ No scary or inappropriate costumes ~ No fake weapons***

Face paint is okay. Students bring costumes to school at their own risk, so please ensure you discuss this with your child. This will be a regular school day, so please ensure your child still dresses appropriately/comfortably for class/weather. We would also kindly ask that students keep candy to a minimum in lunches the week following.

Earth Rangers & Battery Blitz

On Mon, Oct 7th, we will be having an Earth Rangers presentation in the gym. It is a fun event for the students to see some cool animals up close, and to also learn about the environment. During the month of October, we will be collecting dead batteries for their recycling program. Any battery under 5 Kg (with the exception of wet-cell batteries) can be brought in.

Refer to www.earthrangers.com/batteryblitzschoolcontest for guidelines on how to prepare household batteries for recycling.

Home & School

The first meeting of the year will be Mon, Oct 7th at 6pm in the school staff room. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. They are currently seeking a Home and School VP.

Catalogues are going home this week for our annual wrapping paper fundraiser. All proceeds go towards school related expenses. Paper (cash) orders must be submitted to the school office by Nov 4th. Online

orders can be made until Nov 9th. The top selling class will receive an ice cream party. The top selling student will receive a special prize.

Gr 8 Fundraisers

Grade 8 students will be hosting a bake sale on Wed, Oct 16th at school. Grade 8 parents, please kindly prepare a peanut-free treat to send in with your child on that day. All proceeds go towards Gr 8 travel.

We plan to do another hot dog day on Fri, Oct 25th for \$2 each.

No Classes

A reminder that there are no classes for students on Mon, Oct 14th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Cross Country Meet

Our school hosts the Zone 4 Cross Country meet on Thu, Oct 10th. This is a very busy day for our school staff and students, and lots of traffic on our school grounds. There will be a canteen outside, with proceeds going towards Gr 8 travel.

Field Trip

Gr 2 and 3 will be travelling to Orwell Corner on Thu, Oct 17th. Please ensure your permission forms and \$2 has been submitted to the teacher. This is a rain/shine field trip, so please dress accordingly.

Clothing

As we are coming into cooler temperatures, we would like to remind parents to send along sweaters and jackets each day. On wet days, please send along rubber boots and splash pants. Particularly for our younger students, a change a clothes and socks are helpful to have in their backpacks. Please ensure your child's belongings are labeled.

Terry Fox

Thanks to our parents and students, our fundraising initiatives were very successful! We raised \$600 which will be donated to the Terry Fox Foundation on behalf of our school. Thank you to everyone who participated and donated.

Public Health

Gr 6 students will be receiving their first of two HPV vaccinations at school on Mon, Oct 21st. The 2nd needle is administered in the spring. Parental waivers were sent home during the first week of school.

Picture Retakes

We will be having our picture retakes done on Tue, Oct 22nd in the morning. If you wish for your child to have a retake photo done, please ensure that your child/child's teacher is aware, as not every student is

brought to the photo area on retake day. If your child was absent on Sep 13th for the first picture day, please ensure your child has their photo done on this day.

Gr 7-9 School Dance

Montague Intermediate School hosts several dances over the course of the school year, which are open to SKC and Georgetown students to attend. Each dance has a theme and will be posted closer to the date. Admission is \$5 plus a food bank item/donation. The first dance will be Thu, Oct 24th from 7:00-9:00pm at MIS. A reminder that attendance at dances is a privilege, and it is contingent on student behavior at school.

Upcoming Dates in November:

Fri, Nov 1 – No Classes – Professional Development Day

Mon, Nov 4 – Remembrance Day Assembly at 10:00am with Veterans present

Thu, Nov 7 & Fri, Nov 8 – No Classes – Annual Union Conventions for Staff

Mon, Nov 11 – No Classes – Remembrance Day

Fri, Nov 22 – No Classes – Parent Teacher Interviews

Have a wonderful weekend!

SKC Admin