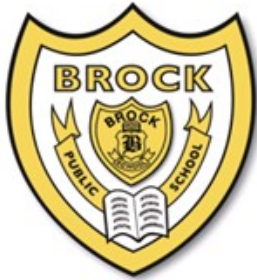




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Important Dates: See Website for Most Current

Dec 12: Holiday Concerts— FDK at 2 p.m.; Grade 1-8 at 6 p.m.

Dec 18: Grade 7-8 MADD Presentation **Dec 20:** Holiday Assembly

Dec 23-Jan 3: Winter Break (no school) **Jan 6:** Welcome back!

A Safe, Caring, and Inclusive Learning Environment

- Supervision **begins at 8:35 a.m.** and **ends after school at 3:35 p.m.**
- Students are *strongly encouraged* to arrive at school **before 8:45 a.m.** so as not to miss important information and learning.
- Please keep the office up to date on how to best reach you.
- Doors are locked at 8:00 a.m. until 3:35 p.m. Visitors to Brock PS are asked to use the buzzer at the **main doors, then check in at the office.** The north doors are for daycare visitors only.
- Lunch drop off is available in the office. Please bring any late lunches by 11:20 a.m.
- The office will deliver important messages and materials to your child. Please do not go to the classrooms on your own as this is a safety hazard.



Our Newsletter

We hope you have a great first couple of months at school and have now settled back into routines! This is our first edition of the Brock Bulletin, our newsletter. Once again, Ms. da Silva and Ms. Kondo are partnering with the students to write the news...except this time with the grade 2/3 class! The students are excited to have this opportunity and have been working hard on their interviewing and article writing skills.

We hope that you will be patient with us. Our goal is to have the newsletter posted to our school website every few months or so.

Important dates and other information can always be found on the website. Be sure to follow the school on Twitter for quick updates about school events.

If you would like a hard copy of the newsletter, we will leave a few copies in the main office.

We hope you enjoy reading the news!



BUILD CHARACTER BUILD SUCCESS

November's Theme:

Empathy

By Marcus

What is Empathy?

Quotations

Too often we underestimate the power of touch, a smile, a kind, listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring— all of which have the potential to turn a life around.

✱ Leo Busraglia

Be nice and smile at everyone you meet. You don't know what they are going through and they may need that smile and treasure it.

✱ Christine M. Huppert

When you decide to give yourself to a great cause you must arrive at the point where no sacrifice is too great.

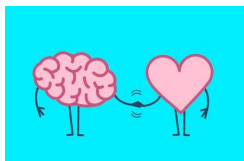
✱ Coretta Scott King

The path to gaining is paved with the knowledge and empathy.

✱ Evan Brown

When a good man is hurt, all who would be called good must suffer with him.

✱ Euripides



September Birthdays

Happy birthday to everyone who celebrated in September!



JK: Keaton, Winnie, Zawadi, Zuwena

Grade 4: Olive, Miya

SK: Dibella, Karina Grade 5: Eder, Amy, Jaxon

Grade 1: Emma, Alonso

Grade 6: Alex, Catarina

Grade 2: Everley, Lesya

Grade 7: Azaria, Michela, Aiden, Julia, Aroon

Grade 3: Beatrice, Isaiahh, Ivy, Weston Grade 8: Tim, Sasha, Jemima

October Birthdays

We hope you had a fun and exciting day with lots of cake!

JK: Frances

SK: Zola, King

Grade 1: Maika, Eva, Hugo

Grade 2: Ariela, Edie, Isabel, Violet

Grade 3: Harvey

Grade 5: Gerardo, Solomon

Grade 6: Yasser

Grade 7: Emerson

Grade 8: Angus, Bernice, Raquel, Veronica



November Birthdays

Happy birthday to all those who celebrated November birthdays! You are all stars!

JK: Joseph, Kota, Ria

SK: Vivian, Levi

Grade 1: Mabel, Henry, Lua, Milaun, Genesh, Rachel

Grade 2: Sasha, Bryan, Henry, Kai, Lachlan

Grade 3: Lily, Simone

Grade 4: Kieran, Esha, Oliver, Kathy, Brooklyn

Grade 5: June, Sasha

Grade 6: Sonia, Quinn, Rae, Rhumour

Grade 7: Jahmier, Gaby, Frances

Grade 8: Karen,



December Birthdays

We wish all who are celebrating a December birthday the very warm wishes!

JK: Nila, Amelia, Jordi

SK: Fitz, Alden, Lorella

Grade 1: Penny, Eloise, Axel, Milo, Xander, Quinn, Alyssa

Grade 3: Sigrid

Grade 4: Max A., Hugo

Grade 6: Bruna, Eytan, Lizzy, Aubrey

Grade 7: Elliot, Mason, Gaby, Iona, Emily

Grade 8: Astrid, Brigid, Ana, Ava, Oussama





Terry Fox Assembly

By Simone and Rooksby

On Friday September 27, 2019 Brock Public School went to the Terry Fox assembly in the gym. At the assembly, the whole school watched a video of Terry Fox's run. We learned that Terry Fox stopped in Thunder Bay. We also learned that Terry raised money for cancer research. Terry Fox ran with a prosthetic leg. Danisa liked the part in the video when Terry ran across Canada except he stopped in Thunder Bay. Aruela liked the part when we watched the video.

We learned a lot about Terry Fox and are sad he couldn't finish his run. That's why we run for him today.



WE Day

By Zaq and Lucca

On September 19, some kids from Ms. Givelos's class went to WE Day at the Scotiabank Arena. WE Day is basically when you go to a giant stadium and people talk about saving the environment and helping others. Leeloo, Quinn, and Aubrey said that some of the speakers were Jordan Fisher, David Suzuki, and Nav Bhatia. One of the speakers said that kids

can help to stop climate change.

Leeloo, Quinn, and Aubrey said their favourite part of WE Day was the song that the speakers sang.

Ms. Givelos's class is excited to do their WE initiatives this year.

WE Scare Hunger Food Drive

One of the grade 6's first initiatives was the WE Scare Hunger Food Drive. The students made announcements and posters to encourage people to donate non-perishable food in October. The food drive was a success and we collected more than 600 lbs of food for the Daily Bread Food Bank! Well done, Brock!



Terry Fox Activities at the Field

By Lesya and Daenerys

On September 25, Brock Public School did their Terry Fox Run at Brockton Field. Some people walked and ran. Some people's challenge was to run laps. Some people's challenge was to run 5 laps. Some people's challenge was to run more than one lap.

Ivy enjoyed the sun and Eva got a lot of exercise. Some students said it was a lot of fun. Halyn said that it was hard. Some people did have fun.



Our favourite part was when it was time for the popcorn. We liked running and the popcorn and the break taking a drink. Thank you to the Bloor high school students for organizing the activities for us!

Terry Fox Run

By Room 5

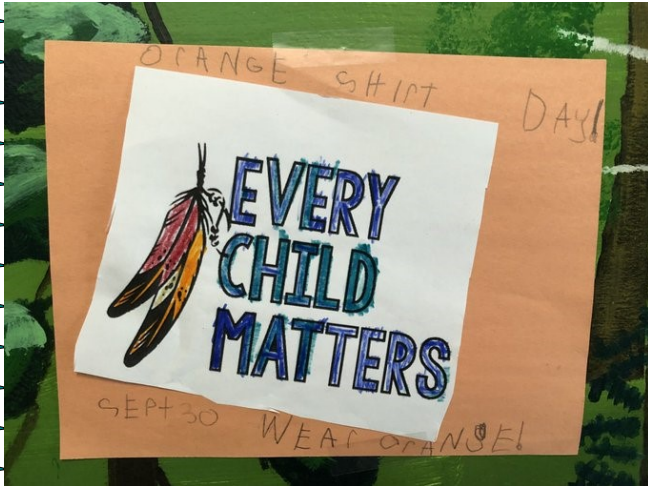
On the afternoon of September 27, all students of Brock went down to the gym to attend a presentation on Terry Fox and the Marathon of Hope. The kindergarten students of Room 5 found it interesting; look at the rapt attention on their faces. Atticus said he learnt a lot about Terry Fox.



After this, we walked to the Brockton Stadium down the road. We were all so good, walking with our partners. Vivienne and Zelda enjoyed having their parent with them. When we got to the field, the students of Room 5 started running laps on the grass. They were serious about doing their best. King said "it's lots of running and hard work." Karina, Dan, Diego and Riana liked running, so they had a great time. Loic and Alden said that they ran "super fast". After sometime, when everyone was tired, we sat on the grass. Vera said, "I like resting on the grass" and Cameron was happy to have a drink of water after doing laps. Cindy, Angela and Lorella said that they enjoyed the popcorn treat that we were given after the run. It was a fun afternoon in honour of Terry Fox.

Orange Shirt Day

By Jessie and Jordan



On September 30, we had Orange Shirt Day because Indigenous kids were taken from their families and put in residential schools. They didn't let them speak their languages and also they treated them rudely and they weren't given a lot of food.

Some classes made orange t-shirts to remember Indigenous kids. We can be

welcoming and treat kids how you want to be treated to help.

Cross Country Saturday Practice

By Zooey and Nicolette

On Saturday September 21, some people from the cross country team had a special practice at Ashbridges Bay. Ms. Samuel had a practice on Saturday so that the students would know the track and be stronger runners. The students went with their parents. Catarina and Asha went to the practice and they liked that it was breezy and you could just fly. They also liked that it wasn't very crowded. Thank you to Ms Samuel for having this extra practice on a Saturday.



Curriculum Night

By Dalena and Halyn

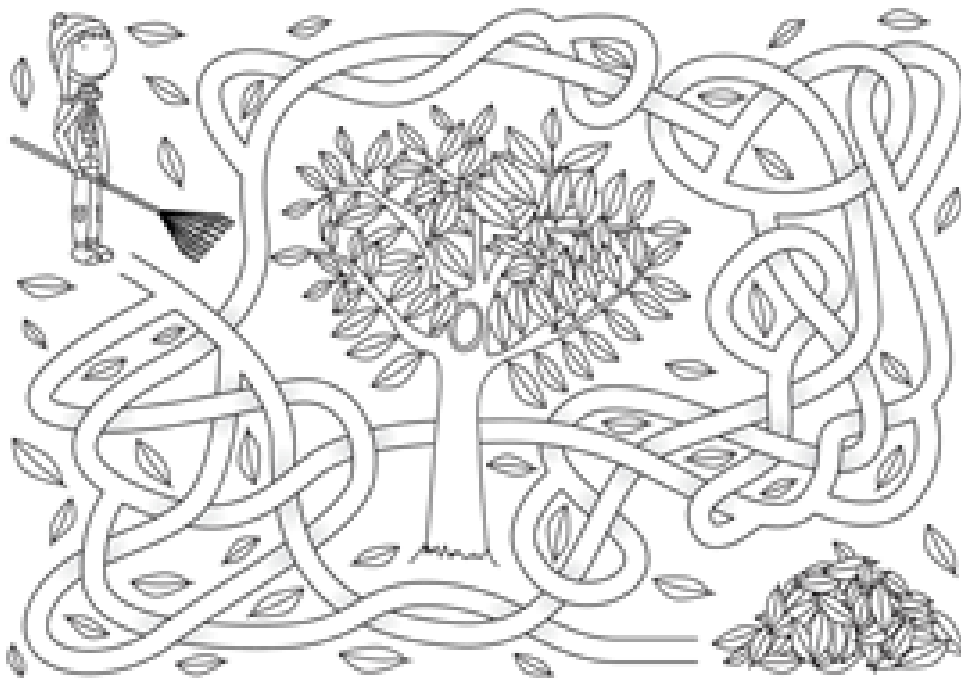


On October 18, 2019, Brock families went to Curriculum Night. Curriculum Night is when all the families come to the school and see all of our work. Then, we go and see the music room. Then we see the gym. Then we go and see the library. It was a lot of fun.

Some kids liked the soda and the food at the barbeque. The kids toured the classrooms with their parents. They showed their parents where they sat and the work that they completed and that was put up. They toured around the classroom. It was a lot of fun. Many kids liked the BBQ that was hosted before the Curriculum Night and showing their families what they do in class.

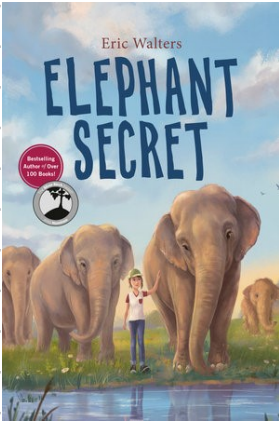


Bonus Puzzle!



Book of the Month #1

By Eleanor



The book of the month is *Elephant Secret* by Eric Walters. The characters in this book are Samantha, her dad, Joyce (dad's girlfriend), the elephant herd, the vets and Jimmy, a mysterious investor. The story takes place in the USA. It also takes place in the sanctuary where the herd lives. Samantha and her dad take care of them.

The main character is Samantha as well as a new baby elephant named Woolly. There is something special about Woolly and Samantha wants to make sure that he is taken care of, especially after what happened to his mom.

The problem is that Samantha and her dad don't have a lot of money and can't buy the resources they need to take care of all the elephants. Then, when Jimmy tries to buy the sanctuary, it doesn't help.

My favourite part was at the end, but I don't want to spoil it.

You should read this book because it's a heartfelt, outstanding book. It will raise your spirits. It's a good book to curl up with. :)

P.S. It was also nominated for a Silver Birch award last year, so you should definitely read it!

Book of the Month #2

By Sigrid

The book of the month is *Pickle* by Kim Baker. The characters in the book are Fred, Ben, Olive, and Bean. The story takes place at Ben's family restaurant. Ben lives in an apartment building with a friend. The main characters want to prank people but they disguise themselves as a pickle making club.

The problem is Ben got balls from a store but he does not want to bring them back so he puts them in his class so he does not get caught.

I really liked when they put dry ice in the gym but Bean hid in the boy's locker room and got caught.

You should read this book because it will make you laugh and it's a good story. Come check it out from the library today!

