

BROCK BULLETIN

October 2018



Important Dates



Oct 31: Halloween Hike
Nov 1: Recognition Assembly
Nov 5: Gr 7/8 to Western Tech
Nov 8: Gr 7/8 Police Officer Visit
Nov 9: Photo Retake Day
Nov 13-16: Fall Book Fair
Nov 13: Progress Reports Go Home
Nov 15: Interviews Evening
Nov 16: PA Day (no school); Interviews
Nov 23: Pizza Day; FDK Police Officer Visit

A Safe, Caring, and Inclusive Learning Environment



- Supervision **begins at 8:35am** and **ends after school at 3:43pm.**
- Students are *strongly encouraged* to arrive at school **before 8:48am** 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 8:00am until 3:43pm. 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.
- Lunch drop off is available in the office. Please bring any late lunches by 11:20am.
- The office will deliver important messages and materials to your child. Please do not go to the classrooms on your own.



Early French Immersion- 2019/2020

Senior Kindergarten is the ONLY time your child can begin the Early French Immersion Program. Applications to the Early French Immersion program are made the year your child is in Junior Kindergarten for entry in September of Senior Kindergarten. It is an entirely online process.

All communication will be sent via the email address you provide. Please check this email regularly.

Please visit the application site www.tdsb.on.ca/pars

You will need your child's date of birth and OEN. The OEN is a 9-digit number found on any report card from the TDSB. You may also refer to the application form sent home with your child.

On-time applicants will be offered a placement online via the email address you have provided. You MUST take action to accept this placement by the deadline requested when you are offered a placement.

Offers of placement will be ongoing throughout the weeks and months following the close of the application period. Please check your email regularly and follow all instructions found therein.

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BUILD CHARACTER
BUILD SUCCESS

October's Theme:

Respect and Responsibility

By Olivia C.

Responsibility is:

I think responsibility and respect is being inclusive of others, helping your peers, and treating others the way you want you be treated.

I think being inclusive of others is respect and responsibility because if you are a person of color, have different beliefs or are part of the LGTBQ+ community etc. you need to be respected and it's our responsibility to do that.

I think helping others is responsibility because if others are not doing well in math, you can help them.

Quotes

- " If you take responsibility for yourself you will develop a hunger to accomplish your dreams." - Les Brown
- "I am responsible for the work I need to do today even though it may be very hard." - Helen Keller
- "We are accountable only to ourselves for what happens in our lives." - Mildred Newman

Congratulations to all those who were recognized for displaying Responsibility this month!



September Birthdays
By Dinis

We would like to wish a very happy birthday to the following students at Brock Public School:

JK- Karina
SK- Emma, Alonso
Grade1- Everley
Grade2- Beatrice, Isaiahh, Ivy, Lesya, Weston
Grade3- Olive, Miya
Grade4– Amy, Jaxon
Grade5- Alex, Konrad, Catarina
Grade6- Azaria, Aiden, Julia, Aroon
Grade7- Michela, Tim, Sasha, Jemima
Grade8- Ryan, Hanna, Sunny

We hope you all have a good rest of the year at Brock Public School!



October Birthdays
By Rayan

We would like to wish a happy birthday to the following people:

JK- Zola, King
SK- Maika, Eva, Hugo
Gr 1- Edie, Isabel, Violet, Ariela
Gr 2- Harvey
Gr 3- Aimi
Gr 4- Gerardo, Soloman
Gr 5– Yasser
Gr 6- Emerson
Gr 7- Angus, Bernice, Raquel, Veronica
Gr 8- Peter, Jakob, Mina, Henry, Connor, Lila, Dekker

Happy Birthday! We hope you have a great year at Brock!



Curriculum Night
By Evelyn and Calvin



On September 26, Brock Public School held their annual Curriculum Night. During the event, Ms. Buhariwalla did an opening speech in the gym, introducing all of the teachers. Many Brock families came to this event.



At Curriculum Night, students were very eager to show their parents what they've done so far in class. People who were new to Brock also learned a lot of things. There were also buttons sold by Ms. Kondo and other students from 7/8B. The crowd was very huge and we thank them for supporting the Adopt a School program.

Dominic and Emma in grade 8 said that they would like to have snacks at the next Curriculum Night. Joel said "I liked seeing my friends after school."



We would like to thank the staff and students for coming to Curriculum Night. We would like to give a big thanks to the caretakers as well for cleaning up after school. Thank you to Ms. Kondo and the students who sold the buttons. We hope you had a great night!

Meet Grade 7/8B!
By Sloane



The 2018/2019 school year at Brock is off to a great start. The students in grade 7/8B will be working with Ms. da Silva and Ms. Kondo to write the newsletters each month.

We have many new students from schools like Shirley St. P.S and Perth P.S. Many exciting events have happened so far this school year, like the Senior Boys soccer team and the Junior Boys soccer team. We have clubs starting up in the next few weeks like GLOW club for grade 7/8's and Student Council. There are also clubs that have already started like Junior Choir with Ms. Yannopoulos. Another important event that happened September 17th-19th was the grade 5/6's Island School trip.

We hope you enjoy reading about these events in this newsletter. We still have many events coming soon so stay tuned to the rest of the Brock P.S newsletters!



Grade 5/6 Trip to Island School
By Ava and Shealyn



On September 17-19, the grade 5's and 6's in Ms.Givelos's and Ms.Beairsto's class went to Island School on Center Island.

They took a ferry to Center Island, where they were greeted by staff of the school. Throughout the 3 days, the skies were clear, and it was chilly. They visited the lighthouse and heard the story of J.P., the ghost that haunts it. They also had delicious food. They ate pancakes and other great food.



Rae in grade 5 said, "My favorite part was the maze, because it was a fun activity to do with friends". Victoria in grade 5 "went to the playground and had tons of fun." Sonia in grade 5 said "We learned lots about nature and animals". Kelly in grade 5 thought the spooky stories about J.P. were really great. Bessie in grade 6 said "my favorite part was the food." Esteban in grade 6 learned how to use bike signals. Emily in grade 6 liked all the bike riding. They learned a lot of new things and had so much fun.





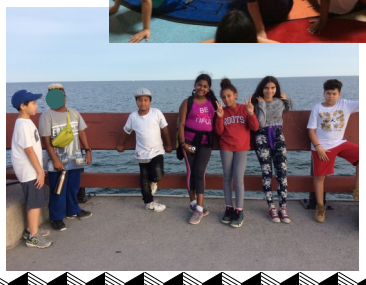


Thanks to Ms. Givelos and Mr. Crifo for going with the grade 5's and 6's. Thank you to anyone who helped organize this event. And thank you to all grade 5's and 6's who attended- you behaved very well. Good luck to the 5's and 6's who will go in 2 years!











Terry Fox Walk/Run
By Margo



On October 27 all of Brock Public School participated in the Terry Fox walk/run. Thanks to the amazing Bloor Leadership team, we were able to have a fun filled afternoon at Brockton Field!

The students enjoyed the fun and exciting atmosphere. All the students participated very actively and were happy to be out in the sunshine! Percy in grade 8 said "I enjoyed going outside and running with my friends" The kindergarten and grades 1-3 students had their own tracks on the field. The older grades ran on the outside of the track.

Many students learned new things about Terry Fox and the cause they were supporting. Mina in grade 8 said " I learned that Terry Fox had bone cancer." When Alex in grade 8 was asked what he would change to make the experience more enjoyable he said "I wish we ran around the community instead of the track."

Brock School had a fantastic day learning about and supporting Terry Fox and his cause! All of Brock was very thankful to the Bloor Leadership team for putting on such an enjoyable event! Thanks for the support, Brock! We cant wait until next year!











WE Day

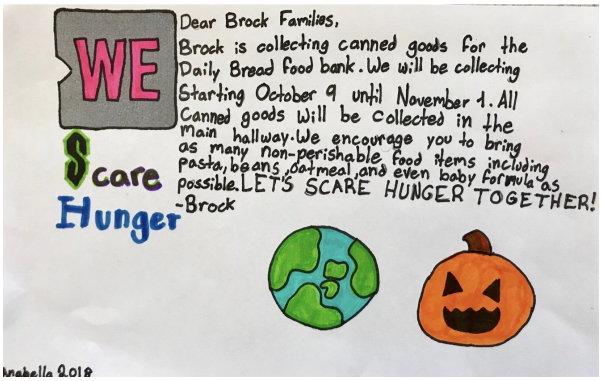




This year, Ms. Givelos's grade 5/6 class is leading the Me to We activities in the school. On September 20, current and past members of WE Club went to the Scotiabank Arena to participate in WE Day. WE Day is a big celebration of what kids can do to change the world. They have lots of inspirational speakers and performances to get everyone excited to make change. There are also ideas for students to take back to school with them.



The students had a great time seeing people like Lilly Singh, Adam Levine, Tai Young, and Craig and Mark Kielburger. Miss Piggy was even there! They were so excited to see all the performances. They came back with lots of ideas of how to raise money for people in need all around the world.



After WE Day, Ms. Givelos's class got started on their first campaign of the year– WE Scare Hunger. This campaign collects much needed donations for the Daily Bread Food Bank in Toronto. We are excited to see what else they have in store for us this year!

Junior Soccer Tournament

By Peter and Ryan



In the fall, the Junior Boys soccer team went to a soccer tournament at Campbell Park. The Junior boys played against 2 teams.

On the day of the tournament, it was a cold and rainy day. The Junior boys were not prepared for the weather ,so they had a disadvantage during the games. The team was surprised by the score. They lost two games and finished third. The boys played hard and tried their best. The Junior boys were very active and they ran hard.

Aroon said his favorite part was "being goalie because it was easy and I got a lot of action." Another player named Leslie had a highlight which was "learning a brand new skill." Finally, Esteban's part that he wishes he could change was "almost scoring." However he said next time he would look up at to get a more accurate shot.

Lastly, thank you for the coaches Ms. Givelos and Ms. Moreiro for letting this tournament happen. Thank you to all the parents that came out to support their kids and good luck next year!!



Primary Book of the Month
By: Raquel



The book of the month in October is "BOO" by Robert Munsch. The main character is Lance. In the beginning Lance paints his face so scary. He scares his parents so bad that they fall over.

The problem is that Lance scares everyone so bad that he is able to steal candy from people's houses. He scares them so badly that they call the cops. Lance was not intentionally trying to cause trouble.

Kids that like scary stories plus a good laugh should read this book. This book is good for grades 1-3. I think older grades will find it boring and not scary or funny. If you want to know what happens to Lance when the police come, go to the library and read this book. Hope you will like the book, "Boo" by Robert Munsch.

Junior Book of the Month
By Ian



The title of the book is The GAUNTLET by Karuna Riazi. The main characters are Farah, Alex and Essie. At the beginning, Farah and her friends are playing a board game called The GAUNTLET. Farah and her friends get sucked into it, including Farah's little brother Ahmad.

The problem is that they are in the board game and have to complete 3 quests to get out of the game. If they fail one, they will be stuck in the game forever.

Readers should know that there is a lot of fantasy. Others should read it because it's an interesting book with lots of mysteries. People aged 8-12 should read it if they like mysteries and fantasy.

Check out this book at the library or book stores like Indigo.

Graphic Novel of the Month
By: Alex Novo

The graphic novel of the month is Zebrafish. The authors of the novel are Sharon Emerson and Renee Kurilla. The main characters are Vita, Walt, Tanya, Plinko, and Jax. At the beginning, Vita has her first day of school. During class, she bumps into Jax and Plinko. They become friends and form a band called Zebrafish.

The problem is that Vita needs to find more people to join her band so she makes flyers to post all over her city.

A potential reader should know that this story is short but very entertaining. You should read this book because it is very entertaining, easy to understand, and enjoyable to read. I would recommend this book to people in grade 5-8. Also, people who like music can really relate to this graphic novel.

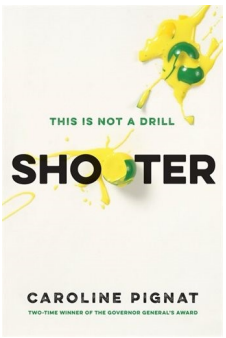


Check out this book at the library when you have a chance!

Intermediate Book of the Month
By: Brigid

The Intermediate book of the month for October is Shooter by Caroline Pignat, with the realistic characters Alice, Hogan, Isabelle, Noah & Zander. The story begins with Alice waking up in the washroom as Isabelle barges in during a lockdown. As Isabelle is texting her friend Bri who is hiding in the office they discover that the lockdown is not a drill and there is a shooter in the building. Then a boy named Zander comes out of one of the stalls and sits on a duffle bag. After a while they hear a scream come from the hall...

You should read this book because it has realistic characters, there's always a new question to be answered, and it's an overall good book. It also won the Red Maple award a few years ago.



I would recommend this book to grade7-8 students because it touches on mature topics. Check out this book if you like realistic characters, crazy pranks, a mystery and a quick read.

Just for Fun

Colour in the haunted house to make it spooky!

