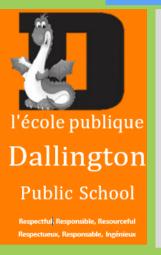
DALLINGTON PS

September – October Newsletter 2024



From the Office

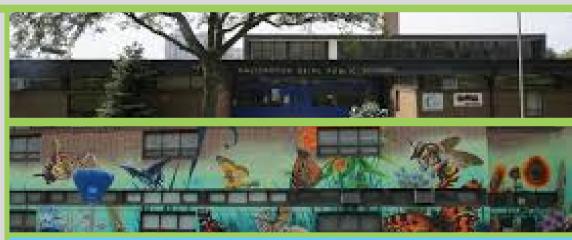
We are extremely excited to kickstart the 2024-2025 school year and welcome all of our students, families and staff back after what we hope was a restful and enjoyable summer for all. We were overjoyed to see our JK students begin their academic journeys. What a wonderful job they have done thus far. We look forward to the opportunity to continue to work with all of you and your children over the coming months.

Sports are up and running and trips have been booked. We are pleased to see so many of our students trying out for teams and appreciative of our staff for organizing trips and events. As always, when we call for support, our parent community responds by generously donating to a good cause while ensuring that our students are awarded with many opportunities. *We look forward to the year ahead!*

CURRICULUM NIGHT OCTOBER 10TH, 2024

We are very excited to invite families to visit their children's teacher(s) and classroom(s).

More details to follow, but you will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher and learn more about some of the routines, expectations, and the curriculum content they will be exploring this year. We look forward to seeing you on the evening of Thursday, October 10th!



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SCHOOL COUNCIL

Hello Dallington Parents and Guardians, both new and returning!

As the school year begins, we hope everyone is settling into the new routine.

We're excited to kick off our first fundraiser of the year: the Pizza Lunch! A big thank you to everyone who has signed up and to our dedicated volunteer parents and guardians.

We're also planning to introduce more fundraising events throughout the year, organized by your PAC team, so stay tuned for updates!

As we move into October, don't forget to check our school calendar on the Dallington website for all upcoming events.

Mark your calendars for our first Parent Council meeting, which will be held <u>virtually on Thursday, October</u> <u>17th, starting at 6:30 PM.</u> These meetings are a wonderful opportunity to connect with fellow parents and learn more about the school and community.

We are seeking parents to fill council positions, as several of our current members' children graduated last year. If you're interested in volunteering, please reach out to us at the email below for a nomination form.

We look forward to collaborating with you and wish everyone a fantastic school year!

Upcoming Events:

Parent Council Meeting #1: Thursday, October 17th at 6:30 PM via Zoom.

All parents and guardians are welcome! Join us to share your thoughts and connect with our community.

If you're interested in running for a council position this year, please contact us at the email below. A nomination form and a brief biography are required before the meeting. Available positions include Chair/Co-Chair, Co-Treasurer, and Secretary. Minutes from previous meetings are available on the website, and the agenda will be shared in the coming weeks.

Please RSVP to: dallingtonpspac@gmail.com

Wishing you a wonderful October!

DALLINGTON ATHLETICS



Our girls have been training hard, learning the rules and strategies of a game that incorporates skills from many other sports. We use the length of the soccer field, strategies of ultimate frisbee, the end zone of football, and with the constraints of only being able to take 3 steps within 3 seconds to pass the ball to your teammates. Defense has an even greater task, being 3m away from the offense.

The team will be competing in a tournament on October 16

Go Dragons!

Our team of 64 runners has been training for the last month and competed on Wednesday, Oct. 2nd, at Earl Bales. The third graders competed in a 1 and a half kilometre race, while our fourth and fifth graders ran a 2km race.

These athletes have been running through heat, cold and rain. They are unstoppable! In fact, during the Terry Fox Walk/Run, most challenged themselves to run the entire 30 minutes. **Next meet: October 17**



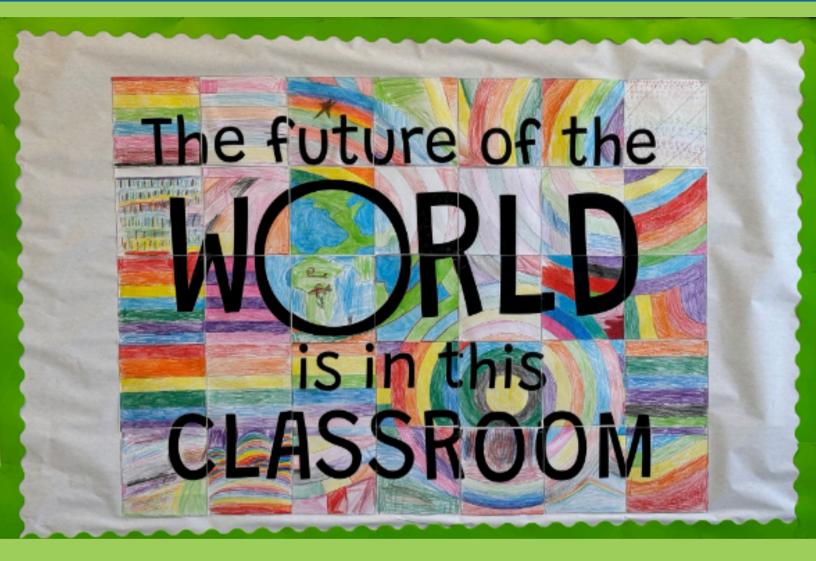


The boys and girls soccer teams have been working hard training three times a week as our tournament is quickly approaching! Both teams are learning new techniques and the importance of working as a team.

The boys' and girls' soccer teams will be competing in a tournament in October. We can't wait to showcase our skills and play some soccer!

Boys Tournament: October 16 @ Northlea EMS Girls Tournament: October 25 @ Norman Ingram P.S.

IN THE CLASSROOM



The students in Room 109 worked together to create a first week of school art collage. Once all the pieces from each student were put together, it showcased a very important message. It hangs in our classroom for students to look at daily and be reminded that the future is really in our classroom! As Steffaniia in Grade 3 said, "The kids in this classroom are the future!"

TERRY FOX

Thank you to our AMAZING Dallington Community! We raised over \$5000 for the Terry Fox Foundation to support cancer research. The students walked/jogged/ran for 30 minutes on Thursday, September 26th because they were inspired to do it **NO MATTER WHAT!**

Congratulations to Mme Gahongerwa and Ms. Chung's classes who were the top two fundraising classes and earned an extra Physical Education period with Mr. Baker. We are already looking forward to next year! Go Dragons Go!



NATIONAL DAY FOR TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION & ORANGE SHIRT DAY

In honour of Truth and Reconciliation, many classes read books by Indigenous authors, went outside, had community circles, and showed their learning for all to see in the hallways. With our Eco Team, we started exploring the history of our land, whose land this is, residential schools, and how we think children should feel and what they should experience. Students shared their ideas and we posted them for all to see. These are just a few ways our school is moving towards reconciliACTION.



DALLINGTON ECO TEAM

We are off to a very **green** start this year for our Eco Team! We have many students from grades 1-5 in English and French showing interest in participating in our team. The students are so eager and excited to participate and join us every week on Wednesday at lunch (subject to change due to changes in the schedule for various reasons).

What is our Eco Team all about?

It is a time and place where staff and students come together to learn about and build school culture that focuses on climate change education, sustainability, and Indigenous Education. *We have a lot of fun inside and outside!*

This September, we started with getting to know new students who joined and asked all of the learners what they want to do this year in Eco Team. They shared their ideas using words and pictures and we try to do as much as we can based on their interests. Planting, recycling, and creating old items into new such as making paper. We also got outside and played a game about pollinators too!



FUNDRAISING FOR OUR JUNIOR CLASSES

Starting Wednesday, October 2nd until Friday, October 10th, during lunch and morning recess, the junior students will be fundraising to supplement the cost of our field trip to Treetop Trekking Stouffville. We will be selling snack size bags of chips, juice boxes, and water. The cost of the chips will be \$2 for each bag, and each juice box or water will cost \$1. **Thank you for your support!**



UPCOMING DATES

Thursday, October 10: Curriculum Night & Pizza Lunch Friday, October 11: PA Day (No school) Monday, October 14: Thanksgiving (No school) Tuesday, October 15: Lunchbox - Subway Sandwiches Thursday, October 17: Pizza Lunch Monday, October 21 - Wednesday, October 23: Gr 3 Testing Tuesday, October 22: Lunchbox - Subway Sandwiches Monday, October 28: Photo Day #2 Tuesday, October 29: Lunchbox - Subway Sandwiches Thursday, October 31: Lunchbox - Pizza Lunch