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# Denlow Dispatch

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**Principal's Message** **Mr. Friberg**  
*"Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or present are certain to miss the future."*  
 -John F. Kennedy

I hope you all enjoyed the long Thanksgiving weekend. It was great to see how many families were able to come out for the Halloween Bingo night. A tremendous Thank You to our SAC parents for all the hard work!

There is a new way to see and hear about all the wonderful things at Denlow. On Twitter please follow us **@DenlowSchool**. This is a new twitter account – the old one is inactive and the password could not be retrieved.

Tonight Denlow Voices directed by Ms. Lui will be performing at 5050 Yonge – the TDSB head office to start the Board meeting. This is a great honour to be chosen from so many schools.

## Welcome New Staff to the Team!

- Ms. Lopez is the new Office Administrator in the Denlow office and began on Monday. We thank Mrs. Wood who was here during the hiring process to replace Ms. Hazel.
- Ms. Groskorth is a long term occasional teacher who will be teaching media literacy to some of our classrooms.
- Mr. Swamy has quickly stepped into the Grade 4 Gifted class for Ms. Nickerson who has left for her maternity leave.

## Get your Denlow Clothing and show your Denlow Pride



Visit the website below to customize for your child: [www.entripyshops.com](http://www.entripyshops.com)  
 Type Denlow P.S. and see the wide selection.



## Halloween At Denlow

Our Grade 5 classes have created arcade-style games. In the afternoon on the 31<sup>st</sup> our Grade 1–4 classes are invited to come, wear costumes and play! It is a ton of fun with a purpose because we also collect funds for *Second Harvest Food Rescue*. For more information about Second Harvest: <https://secondharvest.ca/>.

**Students will be asked to make a \$2.00 donation.** Proceeds go to *Second Harvest*.

Students will not pay for individual games. There will be no candy or treats at this arcade. Winners of games will fill out ballots for a draw. Draw prize will be a goody bag with non-food item(s). This is about creating games from recyclable materials, donating to a worthy cause, and having fun!



Some classes may be having class parties where food is brought in. Please remember we have many children at Denlow

with **serious life-threatening**



**allergies.** No candy or food with nuts should be brought to school. Please check with all labels that the products were made in factories that do not produce food with nuts. Thank you to class parent reps who can be organizing this food donation to the classroom parties tradition. Thanks!

Students are invited to wear costumes to school on the 31<sup>st</sup>. A reminder that weapons as part of the costume will not be allowed and will be kept in the office during the day. Wearing masks is not advised especially due to safety on stairs.

### Hallowe'en Safety

Hallowe'en is also a time for us to take extra care to ensure safety. Here are some trick-or-treat safety rules:

- Young children should ALWAYS be accompanied by an older person.
- Children should NEVER eat any treats until parents have had a chance to go through them and inspect them. Parents should look for tampering of packages and discard any they believe to be unsafe.
- Remind children that not everyone celebrates Hallowe'en and to avoid any homes that have no lights on. Also remind children not to run through neighbours' yards or gardens.
- If adults are driving anywhere on Hallowe'en night, drive slowly with lights on and be cautious when pulling to the side of the road. Keep a close watch in residential areas for children crossing the road (especially between parked cars)
- Be seen! Have your child carry a flashlight and wear light or reflective clothing. Make up or face paint is preferable to a mask as your child's vision is not obstructed.
- Children should wear their own shoes when trick or treating. Wearing costume shoes can be dangerous and uncomfortable.
- If parents cannot accompany an older child, then know the route your child will take.
- Remind children of road safety rules. Cross only at corners. Do not criss-cross the road. Go up one side of the road and down the other side. Never cross between parked cars.

### Giving Back at Denlow



Denlow PS families surpassed our Terry Fox Goal of 6K. Our small school raised **\$6820.40** for the *Terry Fox Foundation!*

There are a couple of other campaigns on to support our local community.



The **Pass It Along Clothing Drive** is being run by our SAC parents. It ends this Friday November 1<sup>st</sup>. Please send in gently used clothing which is all being donated to a community TDSB school.

*WE Club* students are running **Sarah & Claire Food Drive for the Daily Bread Food Bank.**



**WE  
SCARE  
HUNGER**



**DONATE** non-perishable food items in the main hall. Or \$ **ONLINE @ [DENLOW PS FOOD DRIVE 2019](#)** until **MONDAY NOV. 4th**

### Sports News at Denlow



**Cross Country** - over 50 of our students competed in the annual Cross Country run. A few them continued onto the semi-finals and then onto the finals. Congrats to our grade 5 boys' team (Blake, Edmund, Dylan, Shael, and Shay) for doing so well in the final run.

**Girls Bordenball** – Denlow won the conference tournament and competed admirably in the city tournament. Way to go!

**Boys Soccer** – Denlow again won the conference tournament and went to Monarch Park for the city tournament yesterday. I was proud to watch our boys begin their way to being CITY CHAMPIONS! Congrats!

Currently there are tryouts for volleyball and basketball for our junior students.



# HOT LUNCH

## Hot Lunches – Wednesday – Kid’s Kitchen

Please see attached flyer about the hot lunch program that parents can order ahead of time and is delivered by 11:25 each Wednesday. There are new monthly specials as well.

Ordering is easy - Login to place your orders at [www.kidskitchen.ca](http://www.kidskitchen.ca) Orders are accepted until 10am the previous business day (Tuesday)



## Kids and Flu – From Toronto Public Health

The flu germs spread when people cough, sneeze or talk. The flu germs can also live on surfaces like toys, countertops, and door handles for up to eight hours. Students can pass the flu germs to each other, to school staff and to family members before they show symptoms. Children under five, seniors and people in poor health are at greater risk of complications from flu. Vaccination is the best protection against flu. Influenza vaccines are free in Ontario. They are safe. The vaccine helps a child’s immune system prevent flu but cannot give them the flu. The vaccine is available at doctor’s offices, health clinics, and at Toronto Public Health clinics. It takes 2 weeks for the vaccine to be fully effective. [toronto.ca/health/flu](http://toronto.ca/health/flu)

Tips on staying healthy this flu season:

1. Get your flu shot early
2. [Wash your hands](#) often
3. Avoid touching face and eyes
4. [Cover your cough](#) or sneeze
5. Do not share drinking cups and utensils
6. Disinfect common surfaces like door handles, hand railings, keyboards, cell phones and tablets.



## From the Library

*Ms. Schwartz*

**Save the dates!**

Denlow’s Annual Book Fair is coming! It’s a great selection this year! The fair will begin on **Tuesday, Nov. 12th and run until Friday, Nov., 15 at 11:00** (PA Day). Please note that we will be open late night on **Wednesday, Nov. 13th until 6:00 pm**. We hope to see you there!

## Important Upcoming Dates to Know

Halloween Arcade	Thurs. Oct. 31 <sup>st</sup>
Pizza Mondays	Mon. Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>
Gr. 3 – 5 Digital Speaker	Mon. Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>
Gr. 1 Firefighter Speaker	Mon. Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>
Remembrance Assembly	Mon. Nov. 11 <sup>th</sup> 10:20
Book Fair	Tues. Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> – Fri. Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup>
Reports Go Home	Tues. Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup>
Interviews	Week of Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>
PA Day – no school	Fri. Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup>
Chef a l’ecole Gr. 4/5s	Nov. 21 <sup>st</sup> and 22 <sup>nd</sup>
SAC Meeting	Thurs. Nov. 21 <sup>st</sup>
SAC Movie Night	Fri. Nov. 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Performance Gr. 3 – 5s	Mon. Nov. 25 <sup>th</sup>
Performance K – 2s	Tues. Nov. 26 <sup>th</sup>
X-Movement K – 5s	Nov. 27 <sup>th</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup>
Raptors Game!! 1 – 5s	Thurs. Dec. 5 <sup>th</sup>
PA Day – no school	Fri. Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>

## From SAC & the School

### **Thank You Halloween Bingo Volunteers!!**

This Halloween Bingo was a great success that could not have happened without the many, many volunteers - including staff, students, and parents - who came out to help.



Special thank you to Ms. Banks, Ms. Tse, Ms. Mann, and Mr. Friberg who all stayed to the end. A BIG thank you to our custodians who helped with set up and especially with clean up and tear down.

We thank you all on behalf of the Denlow PS Community! We also want to call out this year's amazing Halloween Bingo Lead Team consisting of **Joanna Kafkopoulou, Alison Wong,** and **Maria Karakoulas** who organized and ran the night, and **Marie Bonin-Deault** who organized and ran the Bake Sale. Thank you for generously donating your time, heart, and energy to make it all happen!

**Mark your calendars and Save the Date for next year, October 22th, 2020.**