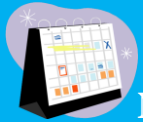


# École Dunlace Public School



## November 2013:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Responsibility Assembly
- 6<sup>th</sup> Gr. 6 Grad Trip Info Night
- 6<sup>th</sup> Extended French Info Night
- 7<sup>th</sup> School Council Meeting
- 8<sup>th</sup> Pizza Day
- 8<sup>th</sup> Rogers TV Trip (Saliba)
- 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day
- 12<sup>th</sup> Reports go Home
- 13<sup>th</sup> District Review
- 13<sup>th</sup> Scientist in the School (AM Ring/PM Tice)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Scientist in the School (AM El-Jammal/PM McInnis)
- 14<sup>th</sup> Parent/Teacher Interviews
- 14<sup>th</sup> P.A. Day
- 18<sup>th</sup> Basketball Tournament @ Owen
- 21<sup>st</sup> Scientist in the School (AM Karaflos/PM Moreau)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Pizza Lunch
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Scientist in the School (AM Ranxi/PM Gordon)
- 29<sup>th</sup> Pizza Lunch
- 29<sup>th</sup> Fake an Injury Day

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

We have had a very busy October at Dunlace. Work on our Kindergarten Playground has begun and our students have been busy participating in Cross-Country, Soft-ball, Kilometre Club, field trips, Young Women on the Move events, Halloween festivities, and of course our wardrobe disaster spirit day! Oh what fun we have had learning and being active this month! We thank the teachers and parents for making these wonderful events happen and engaging our students in such positive ways.

On November 12<sup>th</sup>, you will receive your child's Progress Report and have an opportunity to meet with your child's teachers to discuss next steps. We believe that education is a shared responsibility and we value the role that parents play in helping to ensure that students reach the highest levels of achievement possible. We thank you for your continued support and involvement.

On Monday, November 11, students and staff at our school and across the city will mark Remembrance Day with classroom activities and school assemblies. During Remembrance Day, our teachers make connections between global events and students' lives by promoting peace within our school community. On this solemn occasion, our staff, students, parents, and the wider community all join together in a call for peace. This year's Remembrance Day marks the 68<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of World War II. It's also the 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the end of the First World War.

On November 13<sup>th</sup>, a District Review Team comprised of Superintendents and Principals will be visiting Dunlace. The District Review process is one that supports the ongoing School Improvement process in the school and the Board Improvement Plan. This process is facilitated by TDSB staff and is used to support the further achievement of our students. The observations collected are shared with the school and are based on evidence-based effective teaching and learning strategies.

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## Terry Fox Run

On Friday September 7th, 2103 Dunlace hosted its annual Terry Fox Community Event. The students, staff and parents walked through the community to honour Terry Fox and his contributions to raise funds for cancer research. Many students participated in a long run around the school and did a great job exhausting themselves!! Thank you very much to our local Longo's (Leslie and York Mills) who generously donated yummy apples for the kids to snack on after the event. Our school raised \$806. We can hardly wait to participate again next year. (Terry Fox Committee)

## Girls Borden Ball

This year Dunlace PS registered a girls Borden Ball team. What is Borden Ball? Well it's a fast paced, exciting sport that resembles European Handball. The grade 5/6 girls practiced three days a week all for a one day tournament. There was a lot of teacher support as we had Mme Saliba, Mr. Barker, Mr. Kellesis and Mr. Kocan coaching. On the day of the tournament the girls were pumped and ready to go. Team B played very hard and were very close in their games unfortunately they did not make it to the final. Team A had a very close first game and then breezed through the next three games. The final was set and both teams were ready to go. The Dunlace girls went up by a few points and were in the lead. Then like the Leafs, things went sour and we found ourselves in overtime. Likely the girls fought back and managed to win the Tournament. Great job to the girls and their coaches. Dunlace won the tournament for the first time in the North!



## Cross-Country 2013

This year, over 80 students at Dunlace participated on the Cross-Country team! Our athletes woke up early three times a week and endured tough practices with Ms. Young, Mr. Kocan and many other parents and teachers! Dunlace competed against over 40 other schools at Earl Bales and we had 14 runners advance to the Conference Finals! Our Golden Girl, **Arden La Rose** came in **first** again followed by **Deandra Donaldson** who both qualified for City Finals! **Charlie Gossack** represented the Grade 4 girls at City Finals as well. We are so proud of ALL of our athletes for another GREAT season! We look forward to watching you lead the Kilometer Club to keep us all in shape for Track and Field season!

## Softball



Mr. Kellesis, Mme. Saliba and Mr. Barker would like to congratulate the boys and girls softball teams on their amazing performances at two tournaments in October. Both teams finished with the best record in their pools, each only losing one game. They could not have represented our school better. Special thanks go to the staff and students at Dunlace for coming out and cheering on our boys' team, who played host to the Pool A tournament. They boys played hard in front of a home crowd and really appreciate the support. Finally, the boys and girls want to thank Mr. K. Sadly, the stress of the game meant that he could not be in the dugout with the team at either tournament, but he was there every Tuesday and Thursday morning coaching and training. Congrats again to the boys and girls team, you were a wonderful group to work with... and remember, tryouts for the 2014 season start in June.

## Forsythe Family Farm

Many students from Dunlace visited Forsyth Family Farm. It was a day where they connected to our rural roots. The children created memories by picking pumpkins, eating lunch in a greenhouse; they visited a barn where we learned about pigs, rabbits, and chickens. Finally they met a baby cow, learned how to milk a cow and fed sheep and goats. It was a great and fun day (minus the cold weather).

## Young Women on the Move

ON Thursday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, Mme Karaflos, Rachel, Amanda, Claire and I went to Spirale Banquet Hall to learn from other young women. We learned about Malala, the young girl who stood up for her rights. She believed that girls can do everything boys can do, or even some things that boys can't do. The Olympic wrestler Ohenewa is a very good example. She believed in herself and became a wrestler. It is both skills and confidence that helped her defeat her opponents. We also met the famous actress, Alexandra Beaton. She told us how she overcame the problems she had when she was young. They taught me to be brave, be confident, and be strong. I can do what I want to do. I can be what I want to be. I am special. Written by: Emily D.

## Take Me Outside Day October 24th

"Take Me Outside Day" is an opportunity for schools across Canada and around the world to show the importance of getting outside. Dunlace PS participated in TMO for the first time this year. Our students went on a walk outside, played different sports and spent time in our outdoor classrooms. We took our classrooms outside and extended our learning beyond the walls of our school!



## **Gr. 6 Trip to Longo's**

On Wednesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, the grade 6 students went on a trip to Longo's to learn about saving money, reading and comparing food labels, making healthy food choices and adding and subtracting decimals. The students went to Longo's with a healthy recipe they chose for their family. Our task was to find all the ingredients needed to complete our three course meal with a budget of \$50. We had to record the regular and/or sale price of the item and calculate how much money we had left after recording each price. The trip was filled with new experiences of smart shopping and being independent. We had a lot of fun on this educational trip and look forward to learning more from our wonderful teachers throughout the year.

Written by: Nandani B. & Dima. E.

## **Financial Literacy Workshops**

Cent\$ible Students is excited to come to Dunlace! Cent\$ible Students is an educational initiative that engages children in workshops designed to introduce financial concepts; including earning, saving, budgeting and credit. To date, Cent\$ible Students has delivered 540 workshops to over 13,607 students in 188 elementary schools throughout the TDSB, TCDSB and the private school system. Thanks to our School Council and the fundraising efforts of the community, each classroom will receive a 2 hour, interactive workshop in either November or December. Students will be introduced to financial concepts at grade appropriate levels. These in-class workshops meet Ontario math curriculum requirements and engage students through a variety of cross-curricular methods. They also provide post session resources for the teacher. For more information on our workshop topics, go to [www.centsiblestudents.ca](http://www.centsiblestudents.ca)





## **Annual Halloween Dance Party**

Friday October 25<sup>th</sup> was a great success!!! The efforts of all are greatly appreciated and the end result was nothing less than “Spook” tacular!” The spirit, the participation, and the parent involvement facilitated an evening of dancing, dinner, a bake sale (treats provided by the grade 6 classes), and a crowd pleasing magic show. Fun, fun, fun and more fun!!! Many of our grade six students played a leadership role in the preparation of the evening event. The Grade Six Classes generated approximately \$550 for their Grade 6 Graduation from the Bake Sale Table. Great job! A special thank you to those students, teachers, and parents, who volunteered their time, provided the treats for our bake sale and helped to make the evening a wonderful community event.

## **Haunted Houses**

This Halloween, the grade 6 classes transformed their portables into three different themed and scary haunted houses. Each haunted house had a specific theme and everyone worked very hard all week setting them up. They all looked fantastic and the Grade 6 students were all great actors! Mme Sasaki's portable was transformed into a graveyard; Mme Saliba's portable was transformed into a Funhouse, while Mr. Kellesis' portable was transformed into an Asylum. The fundraiser was a great success raising \$830. All of the money raised will go a long way to help fund our Grade 6 graduation trip and ceremony. There were over 400 students who came out to visit the haunted houses. The Grade 6 team would like to thank all of the parents and students for all their generous donations. Without you, these haunted houses would not have been possible. We hope to be able to do this again next year! The Dunlace Staff joined in the festivities and showed some wonderful school spirit! Check out the costumes☺



# Dunlace Athletic Clothing 2013/2014



At Dunlace, we believe that physical activity is essential to a child’s growth and development. The positive impact of physical activity on one’s physical, mental, and emotional state assists students in raising achievement levels, readiness to learn, and their productivity. Dunlace is offering students the opportunity to purchase athletic clothing at a cost of \$25 for a set (for both the t – shirt and shorts) which is to be worn during Physical Education classes.

You may purchase additional items. Individual shorts cost of \$15 and individual t – shirts cost \$10. The purchase of Dunlace athletic clothing is optional, however if you choose not to purchase any athletic clothing please ensure that your child has shorts and a t – shirt available for each Physical Education class. Examples of clothing are displayed in the hall outside the gymnasium.

- Shirts are white, 100% cotton – premium quality.
- Shorts are red, 100% polyester air mesh short – premium quality

**Shirts \$10 (by SIZE) Plain**

S – 6/8    \_\_\_\_ # of shirts  
 M – 10/12    \_\_\_\_ # of shirts  
 L – 14/16    \_\_\_\_ # of shirts

**Red “Dunlace” Shorts \$15 (by SIZE)**

S – 6/8    \_\_\_\_ # of shorts  
 M – 10/12    \_\_\_\_ # of shorts  
 L – 14/16    \_\_\_\_ # of shorts

**Please enclose either cash or cheque made payable to Dunlace Public School.**

**Student’s name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Orders are due by Monday, November 11, 2013. Thank you for your order and support!**