

# Whitney Word

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## school dates for **october**

- 13** Monday  
**Thanksgiving (No School)**
- 14** Tuesday  
**2014 Choir Sign Up Opens (see Page 3)**
- 15** Wednesday  
**Last Day to Hand In Terry Fox Pledges**



**Or...Donate Directly Online Here**

- 17** Friday, 11:55am  
**Choir Rehearsal**
- 20** Monday, 8am  
**Choir Rehearsal**

## from the principal



**HAPPY THANKSGIVING**



I wish you and yours a peaceful  
and wonderful Thanksgiving.

**Debbie Stern**

**Want to report a student absence? Want to know when the deadline is? Need a copy of a field trip form?**

Save yourself a call and program [allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca) in your smartphone and email Allison in the office for any of your Whitney School needs.

# authors visit whitney

We are excited to be hosting two wonderful authors this month who will be talking to all classes from Grade 1 to 6. David Carroll's book "Ultra", about a boy who does a 100 mile ultra-marathon is exciting and was nominated for the 2014 Silver Birch Fiction Award. He will be talking to the grades 4, 5 and 6 students on **Thursday Oct. 16** from 9-10 am about running and the writing process. He will also have books available for \$8.00 and is looking forward to running with students at recess around our track.

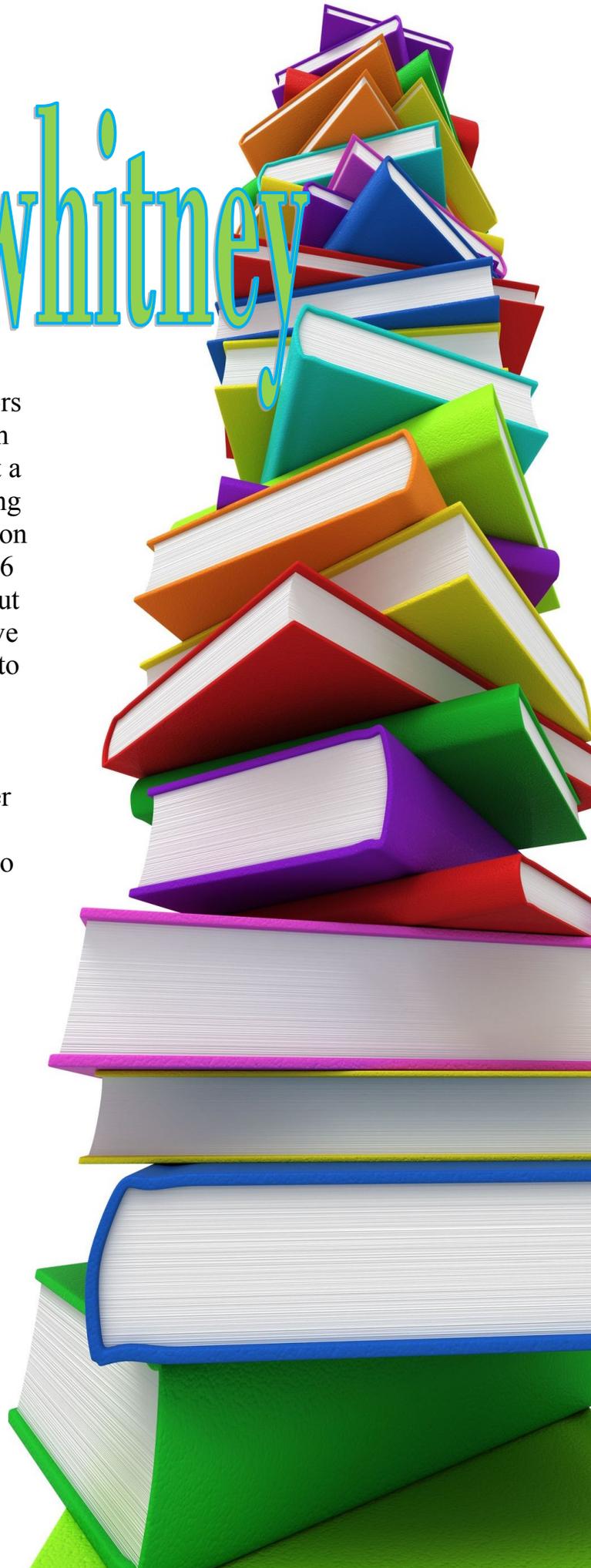
Susan Aguilo, author of the Bedtime Adventure Series, will be speaking to grades 1 to 4 about her stories and the writing process on Tuesday Oct. 28. An order form is attached if you would like to order her books in advance.

**Mrs. Roberts, Teacher-Librarian**



Susan Aguilo Order Form

“Reading  
gives us some  
place to go  
when we have  
to stay where  
we are.”





Great news with regards to our Junior Choir! We would like to thank Carmen Tang, a parent volunteer and Ms. Deirdre Fulton, a student teacher in Ms. Seigel's classroom, who are volunteering their time to run choir practices this term. Ms. Fulton has extensive music experience, including her time as an opera singer.

All students in Grades 4-6 who wish to participate can sign up in the office beginning on **Tuesday October 14<sup>th</sup>**. Students will have until **Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>** to sign up.

Choir practices will be held twice a week in the music room:  
**Monday mornings at 8am** and **Friday at lunch at 11.55am.**

The first practice is on **Friday, October 17** at lunch and the second one will be on **Monday, October 20** at 8:00 a.m. The students will be dismissed at 8:30 a.m. to go into the playground until the bell rings. Please note: the Winter Concert will be held on the evening of **Tuesday December 9<sup>th</sup>** with a dress rehearsal on the morning of **Monday December 8<sup>th</sup>**.

We know we can never replace the incomparable Ms. Gray but we will do our best to capture some of her magic with hard work and enthusiasm.

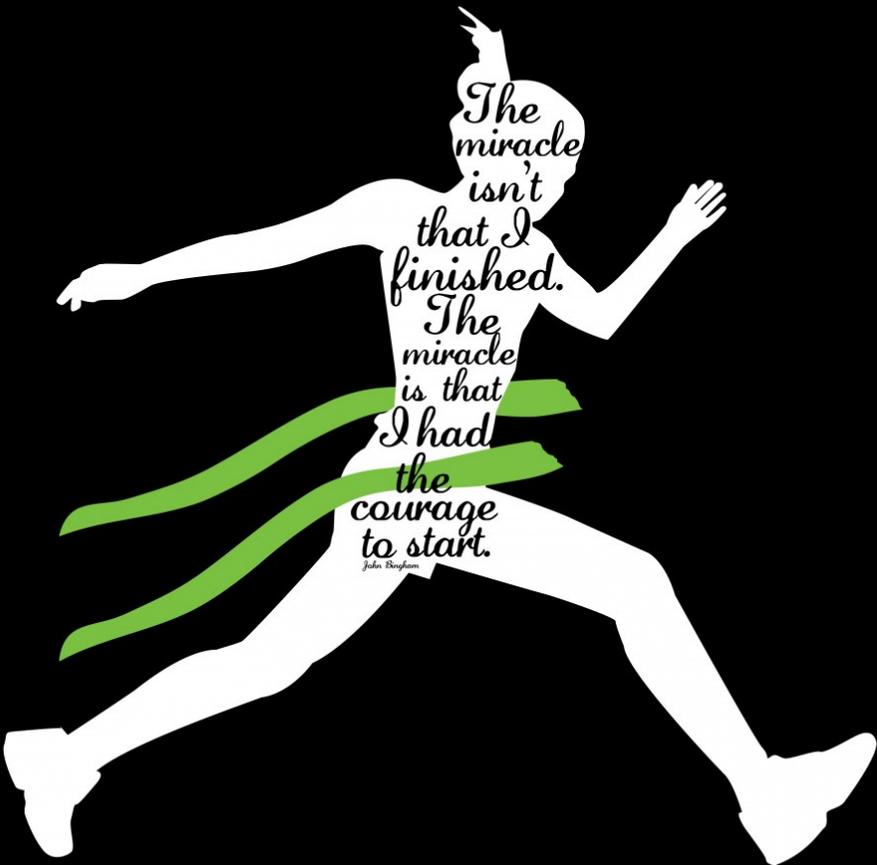
**Ms. Fulton, Student Teacher, Carmen Tang, Parent Volunteer**



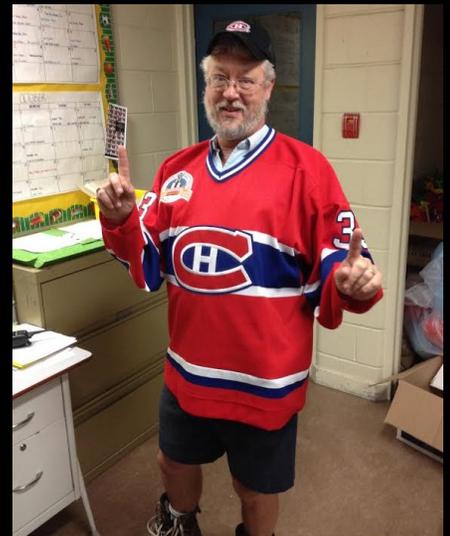
Congratulations to Rooms 301, 303, 306 and 307 who are the lucky winners of a **Giant Freezie** party! The contest was based on the class with the most Harvest Fest parent/adult volunteers. We had a great volunteer turnout and decided to extend the party to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place classes. Here are the results...

**Rooms 301 and 303** (tied for 1st with 16 volunteers each)  
**Room 306** (2nd place with 14 volunteers)  
**Room 307** (3rd place with 12 volunteers)

**The Whitney Harvest Fest Committee**



...and Tom in his Habs jersey...just because.  
Enjoy it while you can!



# cross country 2014

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## Cross Country

Congratulations to the 94 students who braved the elements down at Ashbridge's Bay on Tuesday, and competed in the opening cross country meet of 2014! It was a wild and wet start to the day, but just before the first race started, the sun started to shine and the kids had a fantastic day. There were many unbelievable results, but you will have to wait until next week's edition to get the official standings!

Practices will continue next week (Wednesday and Friday morning) for those students who have advanced to the next round (this only for students in grades 3-6), as well as anyone who would like to continue training. The Conference Finals will take place on **Monday October 20th**, back down at Ashbridge's Bay. More complete details to follow.

## Girls Football

Congratulations to the 16 members of the girls football team who competed on a chilly Wednesday morning at Deer Park. The girls went into battle against two fierce teams from Brown and Deer Park. Despite not winning their games, the girls played incredibly well, making some unbelievable catches, and two outstanding interceptions. It was a very fun season (including all of the very, very, very early morning practices) and you definitely represented Whitney extremely well. Way to go girls!!

## Boys' Slo Pitch

Congratulations to the members of the boys slo pitch team whose season came to an end on Wednesday after school. The boys came out of their tournament as a #1 seed, but had to do battle with an equally strong team from Huron. The boys made some outstanding plays, including a double play started by Noah; and a blast off of Charlie's bat that landed somewhere in Alberta! Thank you for a wonderful season boys!

## Girls' Slo Pitch

Congratulations to the Girl's Slow-pitch team! They made it to the quarter finals after coming in second in our tournament at Christie Pitts. After a week of practice, we were the visiting team to Queen Victoria Public School, where the girls started off with a 5-1 lead. Queen Victoria came back to win it in the end with a final score of 9-5.

The girls did a great job this season and worked hard on learning new skills. For some girls this was their first season playing slow-pitch. We are very proud of how well they worked together as a team. All of them showed determination, dedication and how to have fun! Special thanks goes out to our two excellent parent coaches, Janice and Stephanie without them, we could not have done what we accomplished. See you next Fall!

**Ms. Karadimas and Ms. Siddiqi**



## TUESDAY

### Girls' Touch Football tournament

@ Deer Park PS

*students can meet me at school  
at 7:40 a.m. or at Deer Park  
at 8:15 a.m.*

**Girls Basketball Tryouts (Gr 4-6)**  
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m in the gym.

## WEDNESDAY

### Cross Country Practice

(for students advancing to the Conference Finals; or for those students who still want to

run!) 7:45am, Rosedale Park

**Boys' volleyball tryouts (Gr 4-6)**  
7:45 a.m. in the gym

**Girls' basketball tryouts (Gr 4-6)**  
3:30 - 4:30 in the gym

## THURSDAY

**Girls' basketball tryouts (Gr 4-6)**  
7:30 a.m. in the gym

## FRIDAY

### Cross Country Practice

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run!) 7:45am, Rosedale Park

**Boys' volleyball tryouts (Gr 4-6)**  
7:45 a.m. in the gym