

Prince Philip Public School October 2009 Newsletter



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK....

It is hard to believe that the first month of school has already finished!! It was great to see so many parents at our Meet the Teacher Night on September 23. On behalf of the Prince Philip staff, I would like to wish all of our families a safe, happy and restful Thanksgiving holiday. Over the next several weeks, our teachers of Literacy in the Junior division will be concentrating on Making Inferences and Interpreting Text. Our Intermediate division will be focussing on Analysing Texts. These are two of the specific expectations of Reading For Meaning found in the Ontario Language Curriculum.



- *Mr. Zeoli*

TERRY FOX



Thanks to all families that donated to the Terry Fox foundation last month. Thank you to the staff and students that prepared and presented at our September 25 Terry Fox school assembly.

PA DAY – OCTOBER 9



There will be no classes for students on Friday, October 9. Our staff will be involved in looking at various types of student achievement data and also engaging in teacher moderation activities.

WALK A THON

Our Walk a Thon will be held this Thursday, October 8. Our entire school will walk to Queenston Heights on Thursday morning. Parents, please ensure that your child comes to school dressed to be outside and prepared to participate in our walk. As a reminder, this is our major fund raising initiative for the first term. All funds raised will go to subsidize the cost of activities for our students.



CROSS COUNTRY



Thanks to Mr. Bryk and Ms. Phillips for coaching our Cross Country team that is in the midst of their season. Results will be reported in our next newsletter.

VOLLEYBALL



Our Intermediate and Junior school Volleyball teams are being selected shortly. The intermediate season begins October 19 with the Juniors getting underway on November 3. Go Pumas!

HEP B AND GARDASIL



A reminder that all Grade 7 students will receive their Hep B inoculation and all Grade 8 girls will receive their Gardasil inoculation on October 14. Permission forms are to be returned to the school on Thursday, October 8.

PIZZA DAYS/HOT LUNCH

We have new pizza envelopes for our monthly ordering. Please ensure that you enclose exact change in cash. Cheques are also welcome. Please indicate on the envelope if you know in advance of your child's absence on a particular Pizza Thursday. This will help in our weekly counts. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.



STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

Please go to www.nsts.ca for all Student Transportation information. You must have your child's OEN (Ontario Education Number) which is listed on any previous Report Card, to access your child's transportation information. All changes to a student's address, pick up or drop off information should be made through the school office.

Please note.....

- On October 25, 2009, over 20 Prince Philip students will be participating in the Niagara Falls International Marathon under the Schools Marathon Challenge. Our students will run the final 2.2 kms finishing at the actual Marathon finish line. Go Pumas!!
- If you drive your child to school, please be aware that yard supervision begins at 7:55 am.
- There will not be a School Council Meeting in October. Our next meeting will be November 24, 2009, at 7:00 pm. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- Please call 905-356-0521 if your child will be absent or late for classes. Our answering machine is operational 24 hours a day. We thank you in advance for your co-operation with this safe arrival program.
- **Several of our students have life threatening allergies to nuts and nut products. When you are packing your child's food for nutrition breaks, please take extra care to ensure that the foods packed are nut free. Help us to ensure the health and safety of all of our students.**