

Parent Student Council Meeting

October 4th, 2022

Attendance

Katie Bosse	Terra Slaby
Amber Eastman	Michele Yuzdepski
Stephanie Bennet	Jennifer Maldonado
Stephanie Dul	Andrea Trenne

Call to Order - 1833 hours

Approval of Agenda - Addition of Mathmetics and Alberta Theatre - Terry and Amber

School Council Teacher Report for October 2022 - Stephanie Dul

Celebrations

- Raised money by wearing hats for Terry Fox in September
- The Nest is available for students to use
- Teachers have been taking advantage of the beautiful weather and bringing their classes outside for phys. ed.

Classroom Updates

- ¾ is very excited about our reader's theatre program in Language Arts! This is such a fun way to explore the arts through drama. The students are beginning to feel like they are real actors. With our first set of performances wrapped up, we have just started Thanksgiving plays. It is awesome to see the students coming out of their shells!
- 2SK has been enjoying searching for and learning about bugs and other insects around the school yard. We are gaining confidence in skip counting and are building our understanding of how much 1000 is and how we can describe and analyze this number. In Language Arts, we are working on printing and spelling and we will work on Fall writing soon. In Social Studies, we will learn about mapping and the compass rose as well as look at the different regions that make up Canada. On Friday, October 14th we will be making soup, with our school garden vegetables. I am looking for volunteers to come in at 10:00 to cut up the veggies. The soup will be served to the school at lunchtime.
- Students in 2TK have been working as scientists to explore and discover small crawling and flying animals, for our science unit. We have reviewed how to write a friendly letter and continue to practise and write in our Home Journals. We have started our spelling

work and continue to print and spell our weekly spelling words. In Social Studies, we are finishing up learning about communities and the two different types (rural and urban). In Math, we are reviewing addition and subtraction (with no regrouping) as well as learning how to tell time on an analogue clock.

- Grade 4C - The grade 4s bible presentation and leadership retreat is Oct. 20. Once again we will have 3 teams, Faith, Connections and Wellness, to make up the OLA Trinity Servant Leaders. At the end of the month we have a T-Pet in-school workshop for Social Studies: Regions of Alberta.

School Activities

- Terry Fox Run on Thursday
- Alternating morning assemblies so T/TH Kinder can join

School Leadership Report for School Council - Michele Yuzdespski

- **Thank you** - for coming to the BBQ and helping. Also, thanks to everyone who has come to the Faith assemblies. Thanks for reading the weekly S'more newsletter.
- **Thanksgiving celebration** - Tues., Oct. 11 at 9am in the gym. Grade 4's are leading this.
- **World Teachers' Day** - October 5. It would be lovely if we could promote this within the and have families share their love and appreciation for our teachers.
- **Truth & Reconciliation week** - our Indigenous Leads organized suggested activities for our school every day that week. Orange shirt day was Thursday, September 29th.
- **Faith Assemblies** - whole school assemblies where we gather. We welcome parents to join us.
- **Grade 4 Retreat** - our grade 4s students are attending a grade 4 leadership retreat on Thursday, October 20. Together they will participate in activities on collaboration and leadership, a prayer walk, mass and Bible presentation.
- **School fees** - teachers are planning and booking field trips and a total cost of all field trips will be shared with families in the upcoming weeks and payment will be through PowerSchool.
- **PD day in Sept.** - we had an amazing retreat and connection time.
- **PD in Oct.** - Math and Physical Literacy/Outdoor classroom PD. We have wagons filled with learning materials to support this.
- **Peer Mentoring** from SAB students starts Oct. 5 and will happen every Wed. morning.
- **Read-in Week** - We have had a lot of guests read in our classrooms. Thanks to Mrs. Buban who has organized this event.
- **Terry Fox Run** - Thurs., Oct. 6 at 2:15. We are wearing red and white on this day.

New Business

- **Alberta Theater Company** - Historically, OLA alternates with JPIL fees and planning. It is believed to be OLA's year. It would have a cost of approximately \$3000. Will be further discussed with JPIL, and defer decision until after budget review. Brief discussion if there are more budget friendly options such as attending the local school productions, or Shell Theatre (DOW)
- **Mathletics** - Inquiry from the school if we would be purchasing Mathletics for the year. It is a program for Grade 3 & 4's and the cost is approximately \$700. Mathletics is beneficial in the way that the program can be set to each individual student's level. Executive will review the budget, and make a decision.
- **Budget Review & Approval** - deferred. Meeting set next week to review.
- **Apples for lunches** - 200+ apples were picked from Co-op. Will continue to explore other donation opportunities from other grocery stores.
- **Halloween Fundraiser** - Movie vs. Dance - looking at October 29th. Voted on movie with some additional fun craft/activities.
- **Christmas Fundraiser** - Poinsettia Sale/Purdy's Fundraiser - Voted in Purdy's Chocolate, as JPIL is doing Poinsettias. Orders will have to close by the end of November. Plan to roll it out in early November.
- **Other fundraising** - Online auction suggestions explored. Identified that could be helpful in fundraising. Deferred deciding on this as a fundraising option until the budget review is completed. Also, identify that Read-a-thon, and break the rules will be happening in the winter/spring as well.
- **Hot Lunch Update** - hot lunch will be one day a month on Wednesdays. Info will be in the S'more soon.
- **Milk Program Update** - Milk be tuesdays, with additional wednesday for the M/W kinder class.

- Parent Class Representatives - Request to teachers to put something out in their updates. Will also use the Hallowe'en Movie night as an opportunity to recruit.
- Inquired about the new curriculum, and communication to parents that is reader friendly, and informative. OLA faculty will look into this.

Next meeting - November 15, 1830 hours.

Meeting closed - 1938 hours