

# Parkdale School Parent Newsletter

November 2, 2021

## Happening This Month

1st - Professional Development Day - No School

- Teachers will be collaborating on student support
- Teachers will be receiving training on the HLAT and the marking of the assessment

3rd - ECS

8th - Report Card Comments ready to go - Log into your PowerSchool Parent Portal to see your child's progress (no paper report card copies)

- ECS

9th - Parent of Parkdale Advisory Meeting at 5:00 pm - virtually a link will be shared through email.

Please call the office if you want to be added directly.

10th - ECS

- Remembrance Day Assembly - starts at 10:45am
- Wear Red, Black or White to school today

11th - Remembrance Day - No School

12th - Day in Lieu of Parent Teacher Interviews - No School

15th - ECS

- Parent Teacher Interview Week - teachers will be calling you this week.

17th - ECS

- Moustache Day - Wear a moustache to school

19th - Professional Development Day - No School

22nd - ECS

24th - ECS

29th - ECS

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## Reporting Period and Parent Teacher Interviews

Just a reminder that there are no paper report cards going home this year. Term One ends on November 7th, and the morning of November 8th parents can log into their PowerSchool Parent Portal to see their child's term mark, and overall comments. We have sent home the information about how to create your account. There is also a PowerSchool App that you can download for your mobile devices. If you are having trouble logging in, please contact the school and someone will help you.



## Ms. Engram - Grade 6,7 and 8

In Grades 6,7 and 8 students have been writing opinion essays using the five paragraph essay format. Our Wolf Pack is very good at finding points to support their points of view! Topics included the ethics surrounding zoos and personal preference of online or in-person learning. Grade 6E Science has completed their unit on air and aerodynamics and is about to launch their flight unit. Everyone has enjoyed the hands-on work we have done with air pressure and the properties of air. It was a gas!

In CTF Sewing Level I some students have continued to refine their sewing skills, working on pajama pants and stuffed animals. Others have branched out and have learned to crochet. The sewing room is a busy place.



## Mrs. Graff - Grade 3

The Grade 3's have been learning about the layers of the earth! They can even sing you a song about it! We have been working in our Writer's Notebooks, getting Daily 5 underway in our classroom, and doing lots of work with hundred charts and number lines. We really enjoyed our Bus Safety Presentation and learned how to stay safe when riding the bus. Grade 3's are really excited for Halloween and cannot believe that it is already almost November!



## Mr. Bjornsson - 6B

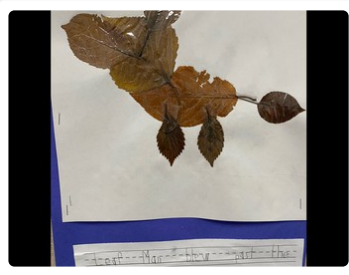
Happy Halloween all!

In Grade 6B we are well into our Air and Aerodynamics unit and are starting to experiment with flight and flying objects, so there will be some exciting experiments in the coming months! Plenty of writing practice and work on basic math facts have kept us occupied in Math and Language Arts so far, and we will be spending most of our Social Studies time looking at local and provincial government over these next couple of months. We receive weekly Cree language based lessons with Mrs. Crier as well. Our class has really settled in and the group of students in our room has a very positive dynamic with lots of fun personalities and there are clearly many great friendships forming.



## Mrs. Urano - ECS

In Kindergarten we have been practicing our cutting with scissors. Cutting is a great fine motor skill to build up all the little muscles in our hands. It helps us to get ready to print our letters and numbers. When we learn a new letter in class we do lots of fine motor and gross motor skills to help us remember the letters we are learning. Ask your Kindergarten children to be a magic marker with their body and show you the letters P, O, M, U and X.



## Mrs. Ritchie - Grade 1

The Grade 1's have had a very busy month! We created a class book modeled after our read-aloud "*Leaf Man*" by Lois Ehlert. The students collected leaves in our outdoor classroom and used them to create a picture. Then, students matched their picture with a sentence about where leaf man traveled. The students worked very hard and created beautiful sentences and pieces of artwork!



## Ms. Bargholz - Grade 2

This month, in Grade 2, we started our Flashlight Friday reading! We all read our books in the dark using our finger flashlights!



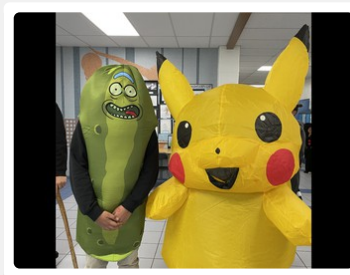
## Ms. Goodrich - CTF

The gardening CTF class has been very busy learning about plants. We have started our tower gardens inside and are already harvesting some of the food from them.



## Mrs. Quinton - Grade 5

In October, the Grade 5's prepped the courtyard garden for winter and cleaned up the school yard. Here they are doing the "Thanos Snap"...for the garbage disappearing. The students also learned about prepositions by flying paper airplanes and recording where they landed.



## Halloween Parade

Parkdale School had another successful Halloween Parade. It was great to see everyone in their costumes as we paraded around the loop in the school. The students trick or treated with the staff and all got to take some candy home. We hope that everyone had a safe Halloween.





## Student Leadership Collects for the Food Bank

Great job Parkdale families. This past week we collected food bank donations as part of our Halloween activities. Classes and staff decorated pumpkins and everyone received one vote in order to choose the best pumpkin. If students wanted extra votes they brought a food item to school and they would then have an extra guess. Thank you for all the donations and for helping out our local community.



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