



Lake Simcoe Public School Newsletter

OCTOBER 2018

Lake Simcoe Public School

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Administrators' Message

Happy month of October! Our school's character trait focus this month is Responsibility. Throughout our teaching and learning, students will be building on their understanding of being responsible for one's self by making the right decisions and choices that will support them as learners. As educators, we will engage our students in discussions such as responsibility for their learning (eg. task assignments, homework), knowing and standing up for what is right, and responsibility for one's own actions. Please continue to partner with us in engaging your children at home with the discussion of being responsible citizens in our community.

Lake Simcoe PS is committed to supporting our board's Caring and Safe School's policies and procedures. During Safety Week, we have had multiple assemblies for students focused on deepening our learning and our practice on building a caring, safe and inclusive school. Students learned about the meaning of equity and inclusivity, how to keep our school safe, and about the school Code of Conduct. Further, the students in Grades 5-8 are participating in a two-part Inclusive Classroom workshop series facilitated by Mr. Woods. This workshop series includes information about social identities, discrimination, harassment and the Human Rights Code. Students are being introduced to new concepts such as "micro-aggressions" "slurs" and the power of "allyship."

We encourage parents to engage your child(ren) in conversations about our school's Code of Conduct. Of particular importance is the common message around Technology. While we are a school that encourages BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) as a tool for learning, we appreciate your assistance and support in our message that technology devices are only permitted during instructional time and only under the supervision of staff to support student learning. Cell phone use during recess and lunch is not permitted. Lastly, cell phone use for the purpose of social media, videotaping and photographing is strictly prohibited. We thank you for your partnership and support as we continue to strengthen our Caring and Safe Schools policy and procedure.

Paul Woods
Principal

Debra Camden
Vice-Principal





If your child will be ABSENT OR LATE:

Please **call:**

905-656-5970,
and leave a
message.

The machine is
available for
messages 24/7

Events this month:

- October 3:** Picture Day
- October 4:** Gr. 7 Immunizations
- October 8:** Thanksgiving Monday ~ No School
- October 11:** Area Cross Country
- October 16:** Regional Cross Country
- October 22:** PA Day ~ No School
- October 23:** School Council Meeting ~ 7pm
- October 24:** Gr. 8 Celebrity Servers at Boston Pizza ~5:30-8:30pm
- October 31:** Harvest Hoe Down



Before and After School Child Care
Upper Canada Childcare, operating within Lake Simcoe PS.

Contact Number: 905-535-1448

Hours of Operation: 6:15am-8:15am & 2:40pm-6:00pm

Email: lakesimcoe@uppercanadachildcare.com

Website: www.uppercanadachildcare.com



Upcoming Events

- Nov 1:** Movie Night at the Gem
- Nov 2:** Picture Re-Take Day
- Nov 19:** Gr. 8 Celebrity Server at Boston Pizza 5:30-8:30pm
- Nov 21:** Progress Reports go home
- Nov 23:** PA Day ~ No School
- Nov 28:** School Council ~ 7pm

School Times Supervision Begins:

7:55

Entry Bell:

8:10

Recess:

9:50-10:20

Lunch:

12:00-1:00

Dismissal:

2:40

As partners,
we support
each other's
efforts on
behalf of
our
students.



Character Trait of the Month: RESPONSIBILITY



October's Character Trait is RESPONSIBILITY. "In the long run, we shape our lives, and we shape ourselves. The process never ends until we die; and the choices we make are ultimately our own responsibility."

Eleanor Roosevelt

Please Call us to Report Absences!

Please call 905-656-5970 to report any absences or lates.

The answering machine is on 24/7 so you can leave a message any time. By calling, you let us know that your child is safe. It saves us from interrupting your day, or calling all the emergency contact phone numbers to ensure your child is safe.

When a child is not accounted for, we will :

- Call home to see if the child is there, then
- Call the parent/guardian at work/mobile, then
- Call the emergency phone numbers, and finally if we are unable to speak to someone to confirm the child's safety we will:
- Call the York Regional Police.



This call is a safety check; in accordance with the YRDSB Safe Arrival Policy #665.

Make a Commitment to Walk This October

IWALK month starts **October 3, 2018**. International Walk to School Month (IWALK) is an annual mass celebration of active transportation taking place around the world every October.

The benefits of walking include:

- Helps prepare children for learning
- Keeps students physically and mentally fit
- Builds friendships
- Improves air quality and the environment
- Creates safer neighbourhoods



Join the movement! We encourage all our students to Walk or Wheel for the month of October.





ALL parents and visitors MUST report to the office upon their arrival to the school, to sign in, and obtain a visitors badge.

We ask that all parents wait outside for their children, and if you need to speak to your child's teacher, please send a note or call their voicemail/office to request an appointment.

We appreciate your support in keeping our students safe!

Fall Fair Is A Great Success!

Thank you to our School Advisory Council for planning and sharing our Fall Fair fundraiser day on Saturday September 29, 2018. Thank you to our School Council Chair Stephanie Christie and:

Jenn Czank
Laurie Martin
Bethany McArthur
Cristina Cole

Sonya Torrance
Michelle Al-Jbouri
Angie Clarke
Erin Smith



Cross Country—October 11

Lake Simcoe will be entering a team in the area cross country meet on Thursday, October 11th at the Roc.

We wish all our runners the best of luck!!



Spirit Wear

We are currently offering Lake Simcoe spirit wear. This is a great way to show off your school spirit. We would ask that, if you are interested, that you complete the attached order form and return to the school with payment. Forms will also be available from the home room teachers. The orders are due to the office by **Friday, Oct. 19th.**

Payment can be done through school cash online, cash or cheque (made payable to Lake Simcoe PS)

If you have any questions please contact Ms. Draper.

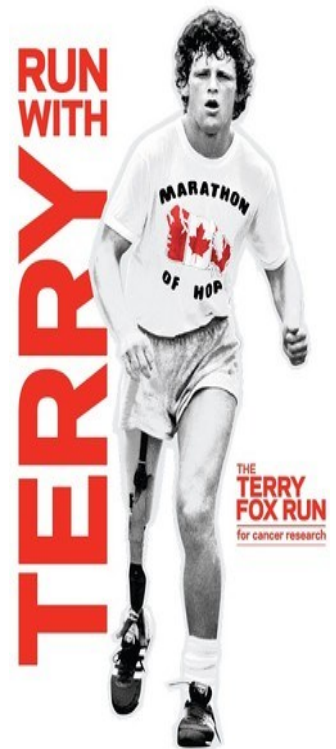
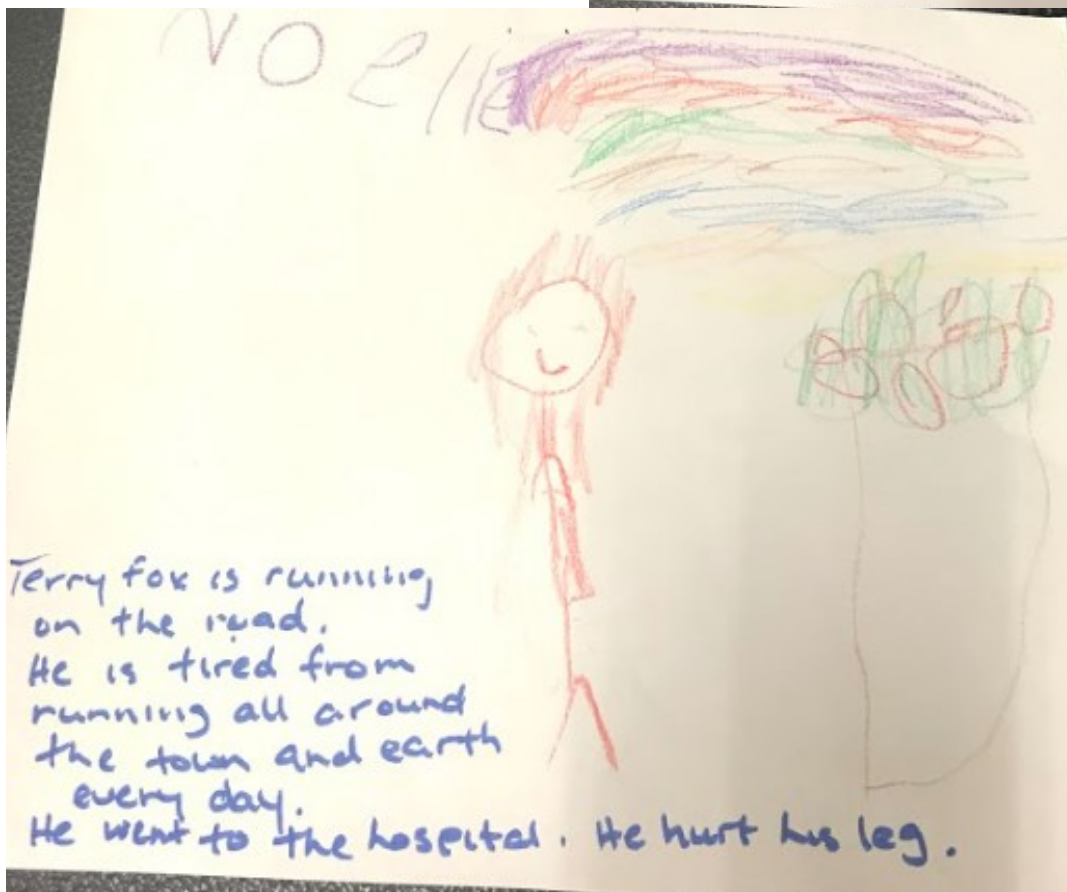
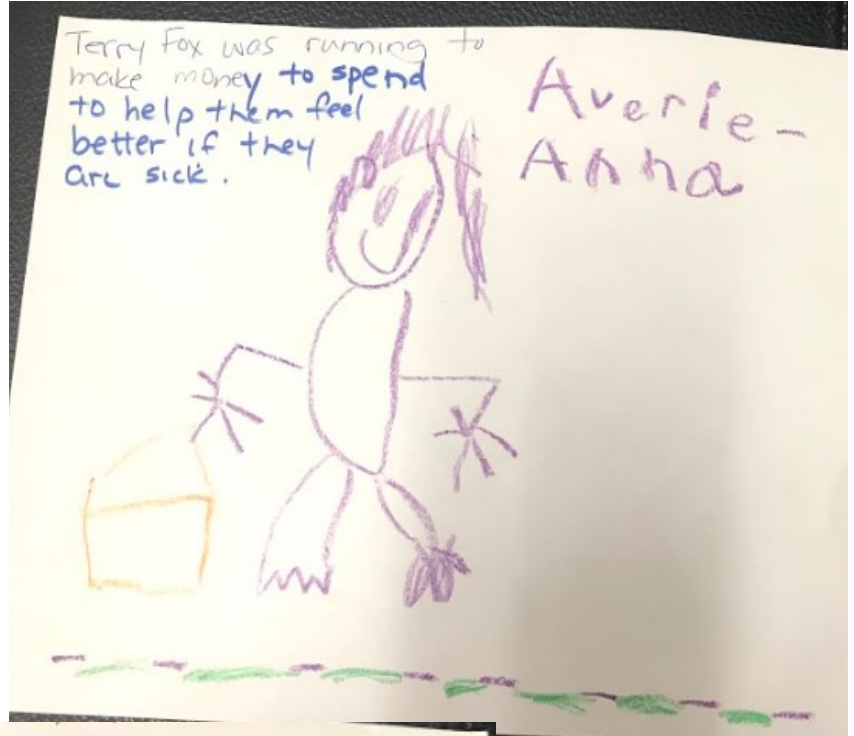


Terry Fox Run

We want to praise and thank all of our students for the empathy, respect and passion they showed in raising money and running to support the Terry Fox organization in support of Cancer research. The amount that students' raised to support the cause is yet to be finalized. They took great pride in being a part of the drive to find a cure.

On the day of the Terry Fox Run, the students took to the fields to run, jog or walk and showed that the spirit of Lake Simcoe is alive and well.

Way to go, North Stars!!!



Lake Simcoe Public School Code of Conduct 2017

At Lake Simcoe Public School we strive to embody the character traits necessary to become contributing members of our community. We as students, educators, parents, and community members will work together to promote these values.

We will demonstrate *respect* by:

- Using appropriate language when addressing other students, staff and community members.
- Acknowledging the right of all students to learn in a safe, caring and supportive environment, free of disruption.
- Treating the property of the school, other students, staff and community members as we would our own.
- Listening and acknowledging the feelings, ideas and points of view of others.

We will demonstrate *responsibility* by:

- Arriving to school on time, prepared and ready to learn.
- Following classroom and school rules and expectations as outlined by our classroom teachers and school administration.
- Being accountable for our actions or behaviour on and off school property and outside of the school day, specifically those choices that would have an impact on the school climate.

Inclusive Education is based on the principle of acceptance and inclusion of all students. Students see themselves reflected in their curriculum, their physical surroundings, and the broader environment, in which diversity is honoured and all individuals are respected.

Equity is a condition or state of fair, inclusive, and respectful treatment of all people. *Equity* does not mean treating people the same without regard for individual differences.

We will demonstrate *inclusivity* by:

- Using inclusive language when interacting with others, showing empathy, mutual respect and understanding.
- Being willing to learn, work and play with every individual at LSPS.
- Promoting an environment in which all students, staff, parents and our community feel valued, have a sense of belonging, and are comfortable sharing their experiences and backgrounds.
- Providing resources that reflect the diversity of our ancestry, cultures, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, language, physical and intellectual ability, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation and socio-economic status in our community.

We will demonstrate *equity* by:

- Promoting an environment that allows student success by meeting individual needs.
- Advocating for our needs as learners (including staff) and community members.
- Learning to become aware of our biases and taking steps to overcome them.

We will demonstrate *safety* by:

- Following all rules, expectations, and referring to the YRDSB Safe and Supportive School Brochure and the Caring and Safe Schools Policy #668. creating caring and safe school climates.
- Remaining in supervised areas at all times.
- Treating others in a way that does not harm them physically and/or threaten or intimidate them emotionally.

We will use *technology* as a tool to enhance our learning.

- We are encouraged to bring our own electronic devices to school to assist in our learning (BYOD).
- All internet users must be connected to the YRDSB network.
- We may use our devices for educational purposes including: for research, note-taking, and reading or as a calculator, and dictionary.
- We are responsible for any activity that happens on our devices or under our YRDSB account.
- Use of technology is permitted only during instructional time and under staff supervision.
- The school and staff are not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged devices.
- Taking pictures or videos of people, instant messaging and other use of social media is not permitted during instructional time and at recess.
- If communication with home is required, we are to do so through the office where there is direct supervision.

We follow our school *dress code* in order to demonstrate respect for our learning community:

- Student clothing displaying a message or image will be respectful and school appropriate. **Note:** clothing that displays images of or promotes alcohol, tobacco, other drugs, profanity, racist or sexually explicit words/pictures or symbols are not school appropriate.
- Caps, hats, bandanas or head coverings will be taken off when entering the school (excluding those worn for religious reasons).
- Shoulder straps must be the width of at least 3 fingers.
- Undergarments must not be visible at any time.
- Tops should meet bottoms without midriff showing.
- Students will wear appropriate clothing and footwear for physical education.
- Shoes must be worn at all times.

Restorative Practice:

In response to implementing our Code of Conduct we will engage students in learning conversations using the restorative practice and progressive discipline.



October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3  PICTURE DAY	4 Gr 7 Immunizations	5	6
7	8  No School	9	10	11 Area Cross Country	12	13
14	15	16 Regional Cross Country	17	18	19	20
21	22 PA Day No School	23	24 Gr 8 Celebrity Server at Boston Pizza 5:30pm	25	26	27
28	29	30	31  Happy Halloween	Lunch Box Orders are now available!! http:// www.lunchboxorders.co m/		

Lake Simcoe Public School Spirit Wear

STUDENT NAME	
TEACHER	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
PHONE NUMBER	
TOTAL	# of items - grand total \$
PAYMENT METHOD (please circle)	SCHOOL CASH ONLINE CASH CHEQUE (prices include tax & all orders are final sale)

INDICATE QUANTITY	PRICE	YOUTH XS	YOUTH SMALL	YOUTH MEDIUM	YOUTH LARGE	YOUTH XL	ADULT SMALL	ADULT MEDIUM	ADULT LARGE	ADULT XL	ADULT 2XL
FULL ZIPPERED HOODIE	\$30										
PULL OVER HOODIE	\$25										
TRACK PANTS	\$20										
LONG SLEEVE TSHIRT	\$18										
SHORT SLEEVE TSHIRT	\$12										



Royal Blue Pullover Hoodie



Royal Blue Full Zip Hoodie



Royal Blue Long Sleeve Tee



Royal Blue Short Sleeve Tee



Black Track Pants

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