



# Riddell Renegades Review

## Message from the Principals

### *Message from the Principal & Vice-Principal*

We hope you have enjoyed a beautiful fall and are preparing for the change of season. The month of November will bring about changes in weather as well as adjusting to daylight savings time. Remember to bring warm clothing each day so that you are prepared for your daily outdoor breaks.

Last week, students received their Progress Reports. On this report, students will see a check to indicate their general progress towards meeting the subject expectations. The purpose of the Progress Report is also to communicate how well you have demonstrated the necessary Learning Skills (Responsibility, Organization, Independent Work, Collaboration, Initiative, and Self-Regulation). These learning skills are important for your success in school, which is why we recognize them each week through the Student of the Week certificates. We suggest you use your progress report as a way of setting goals for the remainder of this term. Think about one small change that you can commit to and take the action to do it.

We are noticing many students are bringing items from home such as stuffed animals, dolls, trading cards and electronics. It is important that students understand that we cannot assure that these items will be safe once they are brought to school. It is for this reason that we recommend that special and important items stay at home. If you do choose to bring valuables to school we suggest you keep them stored in a safe location for the duration of the school day.

We hope you have an enjoyable month ahead and look forward to a fantastic fall season at Riddell.

## Trending Now

### **Gord Downie's Legacy**

Rueben L. - Journalist

Gord Downie. His tragic death shook everyone as a nation. He passed away quietly, his family close by him. And though everyone knew that the day would come, no one could ever prepare us for it. Gord Downie was not only the front man for the band The Tragically Hip, he was an activist, a patriot, and a kind person. Gord would often participate and aid many charities and events to no personal benefit. He did it solely on the kindness of his heart. Gord was the type of person who would make these sacrifices. He had even helped someone falsely accused of a crime with the song Wheat Kings. Gord Downie was a huge loss for Canada whose legacy should always be remembered. I had been watching the final "Hip" concert on tv along with many other Canadians. I remember not knowing much about him, but as I saw him perform, I saw his quiriness, his passion, and his overall charismatic personality. Finally, the bittersweet end to the concert. I had only begun to experience this legendary band, and it came to a final halt. I believe many others went through this process as well. So if one concert could captivate someone, a whole lifetime can enchant a whole country to become better people. To become more like Gord Downie, for he is the true embodiment of a Canadian.



# Riddell Sports & Clubs

## Senior Girls Volleyball Tryouts

Prisha S. and Aliza A. – Journalists

Senior girls volleyball works a little different from the junior teams. For example, in senior girls volleyball, students are assigned a position. In the junior teams, every team member rotates and gets a chance to play in every position. Also, unlike the other teams, the senior girls team each get a number for their position.

The team have games every Thursday evening from 4:00pm to 6:00pm (at the latest). The season starts the week after Thanksgiving, so please come out to support our team! We wish the girls a good season and hope they take home the gold!

## Senior Boys Volleyball Champs!

Congratulations to the Senior Boys Volleyball team for winning the championship at the Ancaster High Volleyball Tournament in October. Good luck in the upcoming season!



# In Our School Community

## Remembrance Day Poem

Luna H. & Saman N. – Journalists

They shall not grow old,  
As we that are left to grow old.  
Age shall not weary them,  
Nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun,  
And in the morning.  
We will remember them.

Source: <http://www.sparklebox.co.uk>

## United Way Wednesday

Ms. Pietrantonio

Together we can make a difference! Bring in your loose change on Wednesday, November 22nd to fill up the jar in your class! Help support those in your community in need. The United Way is a not for profit organization that builds strong communities, helps kids be all they can be, and moves people from poverty to possibility.

## Remembrance Day

Yusra and Koailoach – Journalists

Remembrance day, a day to remember those who died in the war fighting for our freedom. On the 11th hour of the 11th day, we have a moment of silence, and we wear poppies throughout the month of November to remember those heroic people that gave their life so we could be here. At R.A. Riddell, we had a remembrance day assembly on Friday, Nov.10th. Each class made a wreath and all are now hanging up in the front hall. We had a moment of silence, and the band performed a wonderful job of O Canada. Lest we forget.



# United Way

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## Maker Space

Kari O. and Fatima S. - Journalists

Makerspace takes place in the Riddell library. R.A. Riddell Makerspace provides hands-on, creative ways to encourage students to design, experiment, and build anything they want. Makerspace is not solely a science lab, woodshop, computer lab or art room, but it may contain elements found in all of these familiar spaces. The materials that are used in Makerspace are LEGO, card board, straws, sticks, play dough, etc. "It's where our students share their thoughts and create or invent some interesting things." Said Mrs. Mackrory, the teacher that runs Makerspace. Makerspace is a club for our grade 4 students.



## Orange Shirt Day

Prisha S. - Journalist

Orange shirt day started in 1973, on September 30<sup>th</sup>, when a six-year old, named Phyllis Webstad, entered the St. Joseph Mission Residential School. She was wearing a brand new orange shirt that her grandmother had bought for her, and it was immediately taken from her on that fateful first day. It was later replaced with the school's uniform. The students in class 8B decided to hand out little orange, paper T-Shirts and asked students of Riddell to write on them, how they would make someone feel good about themselves. Then, all the paper shirts were displayed on the outside gym wall with a sign that read, "Every Child Matters". We do this to show that all lives matter in this world and no one should be treated because they are a different religion, culture or skin tone.



## Car Fight (Part one) – A series story

Sama A. – Author

"Joseph! Don't forget you're in detention tomorrow." Said his teacher. Joseph had brown hair and brown eyes and was wearing a jean jacket with a white shirt, ripped jeans and black converse shoes.

"Ya! Ya! Whatever." Said Joseph. "Hey guys! Don't forget, we are going to the forest at 8:00pm!" Joseph yelled across the room.

"Joseph! No talking in class!" The teacher yelled at Joseph.

Class was over and everyone went back home to do their homework, but Joseph and his friends were ready to go to the mysterious forest.

"Hey guys, do you remember the story about the missing boys?" Alex asked. She had long blond hair, bangs on the right side and blue eyes. She was wearing a white t-shirt, blue jeans and had black white Nike shoes.

"No. What story?" John asked. He had dark brown hair, hazel eyes and was wearing a black hoodie, gray jeans and black sneakers of no particular brand. *(To be continued...)*

**\*\* Stay tuned for next month's issue for Part Two of "Car Fight" \*\***

## In Our School Community

### Halloween Haunted House

Mrs. Boyter – Teacher

On the afternoon of October 31<sup>st</sup>, class 8B organized a haunted house in room 142. I want to thank all the students that were involved in the set-up, production and clean-up that day. It was a huge success, with proceeds of over \$260.00 going towards the grade 8 graduation celebration. Great job grade 8's! We hope that everyone who came through for a scare, enjoyed themselves!



## Upcoming Events

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#### November

- 2 – Scholastic Book Fair
- 3 – No School / Interview Day & Book Fair
- 10 – Remembrance Day Assembly
- 17 – Photo Retakes
- 20 – School Council
- 22 – Spare Change for United Way
- 27 – Spirit Day – Emoji Day
- 27 – Student of the Month Assembly

#### December

- 1 – PA Day – No School
- 11 – Grade 7 & 8 Immunizations
- 21 – Spirit Day – Ugly Sweater Day
- 22 – Last day of school before Winter Break

### Riddles of the Month

Emma S. – Journalist

1. A greenhouse inside the greenhouse there is a white house inside the white house. There's a red house and inside the red house there is a black dot.
2. What do you call a bear without ears?
3. What belongs to you but others use it more than you do?
4. You can see me in water, but I never get wet. What am I?
5. What has cities, but no houses; forests but no trees, and water but no fish?
6. Everyone has me but nobody can lose me. What am I?
7. I walk with you almost every day, yet you never notice me. You step on me, but you never say sorry. What am I?
8. I have keys but no locks.

### Colouring Contest!

There will be a monthly colouring contest with winners from each division (Primary, Junior and Intermediate). Please colour in the picture as best as you can, print your full name and class on the sheet and bring it to Mrs. Boyter's room. You can put it in the Pink "Newspaper Articles" bin. Newspaper staff will choose a winner. Please listen for announcements of the winners!

# November Colouring Contest

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_