

Riddell Renegades Review



Welcome to our new Riddell newspaper. It consists of everything that we had in our newsletter, but better. You can finally find out what's going on throughout the school year. Remember, it's written by the students, for the students and their families.

Messages from the Principals

We would like to thank the community, staff and students for a terrific start up in September. Students have settled into their classrooms, have adapted quickly to school and classroom routines.

Numerous extracurricular activities are underway during this month such as library helpers, lunchroom monitors, 3 pitch, kick baseball, swim team and volleyball. It is amazing to see such great participation levels from our students in our school activities. A huge thank you to our newsletter team lead by Mrs. Boyter. It will be a great contribution to have a student written and student lead newsletter at Riddell. Finally, a big congratulations to our new Student Council Co-Presidents Shantel M and Adib K and Vice-Presidents Kaiva E and Jordan D. We look forward to their leadership throughout the school year.

School Council had their first meeting on September 26. We had a great turn out, with several new parents joining us for the first time. This year School Council will be co-chaired by Tara Secor and Breanne Sim. For those unable to attend, minutes will be posted on the School Council page of our school website. You can email our School Council directly at RARiddellSC@gmail.com. Remember meetings are open to all parents and child minding is provided for school age children. We are a welcoming group so do not hesitate to come out for a meeting. Our next meeting will be Monday October 24th at 6PM.

At Riddell we do our best to maximize parent communication by using our Website (<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/rariddell/>) and Twitter feed (@riddell_HWDSB) regularly. Rather than visit our website daily, you can receive direct email reminders of posted board and school events by subscribing to our website <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/rariddell/subscribe/>. It is a simple process and the best way to assure that you will not miss out on any school news and important dates.

Trending Now

Presidential Elections

Abisola Ajibola, Journalist
September 27th, 2016

R.A. RIDDELL – Earlier last week the school had their presidential elections and resulted with 2 presidents and 2 vice presidents. Congratulations to Shantel M. and Adib K. for winning the roles of president, and Jordan D. and Kaiva E. for winning the roles of vice president.

Reflecting on the elections, the presidents promised to fulfill their duties by listening to the student's ideas, organizing spirit days, and overall making this year one to remember.

"I'm pretty excited to be involved in the school and take on all the responsibilities for the year." said Shantel. Adib also mentioned "I feel pretty good about earning this role. I love being helpful and nice and really appreciate your vote to make me president. The main reason I took this position was for the privilege of your happiness."

In conclusion, students can count on their presidents to help them by having the best year possible by achieving their responsibilities to the best of their abilities.

R.A. Riddell raises money for charity to help stop Malaria

Zain Garada, News Reporter
September 24th, 2016

HAMILTON – R.A. Riddell Elementary school is participating in a charity event to raise funds to help African children that are not fortunate enough to protect themselves from Malaria. They are trying to help reduce the amount of deaths caused by Malaria, which is the number one source of deaths in Africa. Riddell will be helping by raising money throughout different activities such as, movie night, raffle baskets, and the bake sale. The goal is to raise \$15,000 to a trustworthy foundation named 'Spread the Net'. Spread The Net is a foundation that was founded in 2007, and has helped save the lives of over 9.6 million people by donating mosquito nets that cost \$10.

Staff and students at Riddell are very excited to participate in this fundraiser because they realize how fortunate they are to have proper healthcare and medicine to battle diseases. One student said "Malaria is a terrible disease that has plagued Africa for many years but we have the resources needed to battle it. That's why I think Riddell has decided to pitch in; to help the less fortunate." Riddell has until June 2017 to reach their goal of \$15,000. So, with their best efforts, they will try to reach their goal and help fight against Malaria by donating to Spread the Net!

Terry Fox and his Legacy towards Cancer

Omron Sadat, News Reporter
Photograph courtesy of Braiden Matthews
September 30th, 2016

St. John's, Newfoundland – It began on April 12th, 1980 when a young man named Terry Fox was diagnosed with cancer and six days later he had to amputate his leg. During his 16 month recovery, Terry has seen many children with the same problem he had. Not long after Terry realised that 5 of 10 people would be diagnosed with cancer and he said “You can't leave something like that and forget about it. I couldn't anyways.” After his treatment and recovery, Terry decided to raise money by running across Canada.



Following that, Terry started running a marathon a day. He spoke in front of thousands of Canadians and asked each of them to donate a Toonie towards cancer research. On September 1st after 143 days, Terry ran 5,373 kilometers. Terry was forced to stop his marathon outside of Thunder Bay because the cancer from his leg spread into his lungs which caused him to pass on June 28th, 1981. Today, Terry's legacy still lives in the hearts of many citizens of Canada that are willing to run and raise money for cancer research.

Students at Riddell ran the Terry Fox Run on September 30th, to raise money and spread awareness towards cancer research. At the school assembly, Mrs. Christie announced that we had raised almost \$3000.00 to date. Great job Riddell!

Riddell Sports

Cross Country: Getting Prepared

Keyla Cruz and Natalie Gorle, Riddell Students
September 26th, 2016

Cross country. A day when athletes are tested, a day where students strive for their best, a day to have fun, a day to remember. Athletes from around the city of Hamilton are coming together on the 11th of October at Christie Conservation Area. Students from grade 3-12 will be competing against each other for first place in an accelerating and long distance race. Races from 2 kilometers to 3.5 kilometers are run on that day. Those student go to compete, to prove their limits and have fun!

Tips to help during the run. First things first, students shouldn't sprint at the start. If students sprint at the beginning, there is a high percent change they would lose their stamina very fast. Second, athletes eat a nutritious breakfast that involves fruit. It's not a good idea to run when a person skips the most important meal of the day. Thirdly, hydrate, hydrate, hydrate. It cannot be emphasized how important it is to drink water on the day of the run.

While running, moving the arms back and forth helps to pace faster. Keeping shoulders loose and relaxed, helps your feet step lightly on the ground, helping in the future from preventing knee pains. Pretending to “squeeze crackers” in your hands helps to get proper running motion. And lastly, make sure to stretch before and after the race. This way you can run comfortably and after the race prevent any pains. To all those participating, use the tips given on race day. Remember to have fun, and to end off with a cheesy quote, “You are all winners in the end!”

Jr. Boys 3-Pitch Strikes Again

Justin Brennecke, School Journalist
September 26th, 2016

On the 20th of September, ten 7th grade boys went to Morgan Firestone baseball diamonds. The boys played their first game at 10:00 a.m. against Chedoke Elementary School. “The boys played a really good game.” Said Mr. Perniac, as they beat Chedoke 22-0. Their second game was much harder than the first as they played Ancaster Senior Public School. The opposing team had some great players, but they lost to Riddell, 9-1. Moving onto the third game against Dalewood. Riddell found them an easy opponent and won 20-0.

In the finals, Riddell played A.A. Greenleaf. The boys played strong scoring 7 runs in the first half and 7 in the second half. With amazing defensive skills, the boys did not let any balls get past them. The team finished strong with a victory of 18-0.

Sports related field trips in October

Mrs. Henry, Intermediate Phys. Ed. & S.A. Teacher

Middle school students will have the opportunity to go and watch the McMaster girls' basketball team and Coach Baillie on October 14th. Cost will be \$3 and students are asked to wear maroon to show their support!

Grade 8's are also participating in an Adventure run at the RBG on October 21st. More information to come from Ms. Dunnett!

Extra-Curricular Activities

Air Band is Back!

Ethan Gorman, Reporter
September 24th, 2016

RIDDELL- It's that time again! Time to grab your muted mics and cardboard guitars for Riddell's Air Band completion. Watch for auditions in early to mid-October. The almost annual event is being held by Mr. Rayment.

For all those would-be rock stars, now is your opportunity to come on out and demonstrate your muted talent! Organizers and judges are hoping that the "Let It Go" phenomenon has subsided and they will hear new and unique content.

Contestants are reminded that while all genres are welcome, the song must be free of coarse language. Contestants will be judged on performance, creativity, and lip sync skill.

The competition will be held in October. The length of the event will be determined by the number of students who wish to compete. Best of luck!

Art Club at Riddell

Marlena Gillespie, School Journalist
September 27, 2016

Art club is starting up so get your artsy brain going! This is for grades 7 and 8 and held in Mr. Perniac's room. Listen for announcements in October to sign up! The club usually runs until January. The activities are Halloween and Christmas related. Students that complete every activity will get 10 points for doing the 6 activities, but if you only complete half of them students will get 5 points. These points go towards the R.A.R. points.

Mr. Perniac is running this club and he's also the best Art teacher ever! For the activities, students will need to visit the Dollar Store to buy approximately ten dollars worth of craft supplies. It's a great club to be in for many reasons; winter is coming and students can stay inside when it's very cold outside, students receive up to ten R.A.R. points and students also get to meet and socialize with other students.

This is a great club for all students and it is recommended to join as soon as possible!

Sherwood Enrichment Band

Michelle Luu and Brianna Grinham, Student Reporters
September 26th, 2016

This year, Sherwood Secondary School has started their Enrichment Band for the 8th year in a row. It is a band that is run every Monday from 6-8 pm from September 19th to June 19th. For those who are interested and are in middle school and want a bigger part of music in their lives, they should join. The band is run by Sherwood Secondary music teacher, Mr. Baker and his students. Mr. Baker's goal is to give students a wider perspective of the importance of music and opportunities for middle school students to get an extra high school credit.

Sherwood Enrichment Band will also have opportunities to perform at various concerts, trips, and other events. You will also have lots of time to practice the fun music supplied to you. You have mentors to instruct you. In the Sherwood Enrichment Band, you'll extend your learning space and resources to what you have learned in class. In this band you will also meet many other students and get to know the better. Although, to join the Enrichment program, you will need to bring your own instrument or the school's. There is a small uniform fee that you do have to pay for the uniform. This is to show you are part of the program.

In conclusion, the Sherwood Enrichment Band is a fun program that you can do to become a bigger part of music, and our community. The Sherwood Band would like you to "Earn a credit, reach ahead, and have fun.

Mobile store rolling to a classroom near you!

Our middle school students will be visiting your classroom soon to sell delicious cookies and flavoured popcorn. Make sure to bring your Loonies and watch out for them during first nutrition break!

Upcoming Events

Oct 7 - Photo Day

Oct 4, 11, 18, 25 - Jr. Swim Team Practice at MacNab

Oct 10 - Thanksgiving (No School!)

Oct 14 - Gr.1 field trip to Dyment's Pumpkin Patch

Oct 14 - Mac Girl's Basketball Game (MS)

Oct 19/20 - Round 1 Immunizations (Gr. 7 & 8)

Oct 21 - Gr.8 Adventure Run

Oct 28 - Student of the Month Assembly (Period 1)

Oct 31 - Halloween Dance & Primary Costume Parade

Nov 1 - Progress Reports sent home

Nov 4 - PA Day / Interview Day (No School!)

We hope you liked the first ever, RIDDELL RENEGADES REVIEW! This was a really hard and fun newspaper to make, so right now we are going to make it even more fun! With a CONTEST! To enter into the contest, you need to first complete the word search. Then, you need to complete the box below with your information. Last, you need to take this paper out of the newspaper and hand it into Mrs. Boyter. Just remember these simple rules,

1. Your "ballot" will only count if the word search is complete.
2. You are only allowed to have 1 ballot per person.
3. This has to be handed in by October 10th by the end of the day.

Full Name:

Teacher:

Grade:

Room #:

We wish you good luck!

Terry Fox...

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CARING	COMPASSIONATE	COURAGE
DETERMINED	EMPATHY	GENUINE
HERO	HUMBLE	INCREDIBLE
INSPIRATIONAL	INTEGRITY	KIND
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OUTGOING	PERSEVERANCE	SELFLESS
SPIRIT	STRONG	STUBBORN
TERRY FOX		

We need your help!

Our newspaper staff have worked extremely hard, under a tight deadline, in order to get the school news out to the students, their families and the staff. We are hoping for feedback from you, our readers, to make it better! Please login in to Google Classroom and join our Newspaper Classroom to add your comments, suggestions and newsworthy articles for the month of November.

Class Code login - **feo77g** (you must use your HWDSB login)

Please add comments to the folder: **Comments, Suggestions & Article Ideas - Due October 14th**