

The Greenleaf Gazette

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A Message from Our Principals...

It's hard to believe that we are into October already! It is unbelievable how quickly the month of September and first part of October has passed us by. We hope you had a nice long weekend!

It was great to see and meet so many of you at our "Meet the Staff" event and at our first School Council meeting. With Swim Team and Volleyball getting underway, along with our Eco Team and Concert Bands, there is also no shortage of extra-curricular opportunities taking place at the school. The Terry Fox Run/Walk was also a wonderful way to come together as a community and raise funds and awareness for a great cause.

During the year, different opportunities may become available to students, and these may change from year to year. Staff members in charge will normally make an announcement with information about tryouts and practices and in some cases (for teams) forms will be sent home for parents/guardians to sign. Sometimes there is not a lot of lead time prior to these teams, clubs, events, etc. Students are encouraged to listen to announcements and check in with the staff members in charge if they wish to be involved or try out in an offered activity.

I want to thank the staff who volunteer their time and energy to provide extra-curricular opportunities for our students, and for the work they do each day with their classes. I also want to thank our students for doing their best each and every day and to our parent and family community who are wonderful partners in education. We have the best staff, students and families— and together we are awesome!

"Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Kind"

S. Yull & M. Reid

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR WEBSITE!

Stay up to date! All school communications including newsletters will be blasted through our site.

Dates to Remember...

Socktober continues!

Hallowe'en to Halt Hunger Oct 23-31st

October 19th—School Council

October 20th — PA Day

October 26th—Picture Day

October 31st —Hallowe'en Festivities

November 2nd - Primary Swim Meet

November 13th—Progress Reports Go Home

Click on links for online schedules:

[Junior Girls Volleyball](#) [Junior Boys Volleyball](#)

[Senior Girls Volleyball](#) [Senior Boys Volleyball](#)

* please check our online [Events Calendar](#) and subscribe to get all updates to your Inbox!*

School Council

Thank you to all parents who attended our first School Council meeting. We are pleased to welcome a number of new members and look forward to their new ideas and commitment to our school community. Members of our School Council Executive and meeting dates are listed below. Please keep in mind that all parents are welcome to attend meetings if they choose. However, only members can vote.

Glen Spry - **Chair**

Tim Louks - **Secretary**

Stephanie Figueiredo - **Treasurer**

Tracey Robinson & Sue Hamilton- **Teacher Reps**

Meeting Dates

Oct. 19th

Nov. 23rd

Jan. 18th

Feb. 22nd

April 18th

May 23rd

*All meetings begin at 6 pm in the Library Learning Commons. Meetings can also be attended remotely. For those who are not voting members, please contact VP Matthew Reid at mjreid@hwdsb.on.ca for meeting links.

Greenleaf Sports Update

As a player of the senior boys three pitch team, I would like to thank the coaches, Mr. Barringer and Mr. Straatsma for coaching both the senior and junior boys. We both had great tournaments and were able to build our skills in three pitch and gel together as a team. We had a great time at the tournaments! So, on behalf of the junior boys and senior boys I would like to thank both coaches and all the volunteers that helped coach our amazing teams this year.

~ Elliot J.



Thank you to Ms. Marion and thank you Ms. Hood for volunteering to help with the senior girls three pitch team. After winning three games and making it to the finals, we are grateful to have had this opportunity. Without Ms. Marion's coaching, we would never have made it that far. Thank you Ms. Marion and Ms. Hood for a great three pitch tournament. ~ Aimee U.

The junior girls three pitch team had a great win led by our two wonderful coaches, Mrs. Robinson and Ms. Westoby. They helped guide us to a great victory—we won the Championship without taking our last bats! Some of the schools we played were Balaclava (6-3), Greensville who we lost to (0-2), Osler (16-1), Rockton (6-2), and Riddell (10-5). What a great job girls! Keep on trying out for other teams this year! Thank you again Ms. Westoby and Mrs. Robinson for coaching us to a CHAMPIONSHIP WIN!! ~ Cadi W & Azaray U.

Junior Girls Champions!



Socktober!

When: Starting Monday **October 2nd** to Friday **October 27th**

Where: Allan A Greenleaf

What for: **Random Acts of Kindness** for those in need of an extra warm hug for their feet

Why: To better understand our community and the different services that are provided

How to help: By donating **NEW** socks for the month of October (school age, youth, adult sizes)

Who: 5A will be researching their community and collaborating on a few community resources that could benefit from having socks right before colder weather starts.



Pizza Daze

TIME TO ORDER PIZZA!!!!

\$2.50 per slice **Must be pre-ordered and paid for on School Cash Online** **OCT. 24th – DEC. 19th** (Every Tuesday until the Holiday Break) **DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS OCTOBER 16th, 2023 (sorry, no late orders will be accepted)** Options include: Cheese, Pepperoni, Gluten Free Cheese, Gluten Free Pepperoni, Halal Pepperoni, Vegan.

Pizza Days are a fundraiser facilitated by School Council. Profits will be utilized within the school. Dietary accommodations are available upon request. Please call the school if you need help ordering with School Cash Online.



Hallowe'en Festivities

On Monday October 31st, students are invited to wear Hallowe'en costumes to school, if they wish to participate. To ensure the health and safety of staff and students please adhere to the following guidelines: * No face masks that interfere with vision * No costumes that involve weapons or inappropriate images.

October 31st students in Kindergarten to Grade 5 will be participating in a parade throughout the school and on the back paved area. The parade will begin following school entry at 9:15 starting with Kindergarten classes. Parents are invited to watch by joining us along the perimeter of the pavement to view the parade. If there is inclement weather, please join us in the gym. Students in grades 6-8 will have the option to attend a Hallowe'en Dance period 5 & 6. A games room will be open for students who choose to opt out of the dance. We look forward to enjoying Hallowe'en safely with staff and students. Teachers may communicate classroom specific activities later this month.

Hallowe'en to Halt Hunger

Greenleaf will be collecting non perishable food items in the lead up to Hallowe'en for our local food banks. Collection will begin the October 23rd and run to the 31st.

