



# PRINCE OF WALES NEWSLETTER

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### School Council

Our next meeting is on Oct 22nd in the Nutrition Room at 9:15 am. Minutes, members names, and meeting dates can be found on the school website.

### Home and School

Our next meeting is on Oct 9th in the Nutrition Room at 6:00 pm.

### Early On Center

Please come visit our EarlyON centre to learn while you play with your children. Our centre is open Monday – Thursday 8:30am – 3:00pm & Friday 8:30 – 12:00pm. We offer activities for children 0 – 6 years of age. Our classroom welcomes you to meet other families in your community and engage in meaningful activities with your children. We are looking forward to meeting with you.

EarlyON Staff  
Ania & Michaela

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Community,

Wow!! September flew by in the blink of an eye. We are off to a great year. Staff met during the Sept 21st PD Day, set some directions in our school plan and provided invaluable feedback that will be used to update POW's Positive School Climate vision. These details will be shared with School Council and will be in the minutes. We will be meeting with the K-1 staff, system resource staff and admin in the next couple weeks to continue the great work of ensuring our students are reading by end of grade one. We are well on our way scoring a tremendous 83% in grade 3 reading on last years EQAO test. (This means that 83% of our students were at provincial standard or above) Outstanding work students and staff.

Orange Shirt day on Sept 28 was a huge success with orange being worn by many of our students. Our student leadership team held an assembly which included talking about the reasons we wear orange .

Our senior girls and boys softball teams competed near the end of September, both teams enjoyed the days. I've enjoyed watching our cross country team train during the day. Lots of students running around the block getting ready for their meet in the coming weeks. Good luck.

The breakfast and nutrition programs are up and running. We could not offer any of this if it were not for our parent volunteers. Thank you. They prepare breakfast serving 100 plus students daily and snacks for over 650 students daily. Everyday there are 3 options at both breakfast and snack times. Our program costs in excess of \$50 000. With the support of Tastebuds, generous grants that we apply to, and some in house fundraising, we are able to pay for this.

Meet the Staff is on October 11 from 3:30 to 5:00 pm. The classrooms will be open with staff available. Remember that this is an opportunity to visit the classroom and connect with your child's teacher(s) if you haven't had the chance to do so.

As we mentioned before, parking is a problem. Melrose avenue becomes almost impassable at the start and end of day. I have observed students crossing where they should not, and have had near misses reported. For the safety of everyone please respect the posted signs regarding where you can stop and/or park. Please do not let your children out of your vehicle on the street side. For the safety of everyone, bylaw may be called as this is the only means available to the school and residents on the street to enforce the signage.

M.Castellani

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Thanksgiving	9 Home and School Meeting 6:00 pm	10	11 Meet the Staff 330-500pm	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22 School Council 9:15 am	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Halloween			

**Key Dates in November**

**Nov 2—PD Day—Interviews**