
THE FERNFORESTER

The Monthly Newsletter for Fernforest Public School



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From the Principal's desk... A Time of Thanks

September is now behind us and the new school year is well underway. Our enrolment for the 2008-2009 school year is settling at about 785 students. We lost a 0.5 am Kindergarten and gained a Grade Three/Four combined class. In order to support the Primary cap, many students had to be moved from classes into new classes. A big thank-you must go out to the students, parents, and many staff members who supported us during our Re-organization time.

Re-organization Day was spent reviewing our goals, setting long-range plans, choosing data –collection pieces for each grade level, and planning together for School Success.

The **Open House/Book Fair** was very well-attended. Thank-you to **Mrs. Barron** and the many teachers who provided the book fair for the children.

It was great to see so many students participating in Our **Terry Fox Day Walk** on Friday, September 26th. Our thanks are extended to **Mr. Felix** and the

many teachers who helped to lead this very worthwhile event.

Thank-you to all of our parents for their continued support.

Mrs. S. Whaley

SCHOOL COUNCIL



School Council held its first planning meeting on Monday, September 22nd at 7:00 pm. The new executive consists of:

Ranjit Klair and Althea Francis – Co-chairs

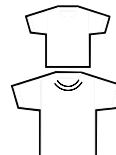
Lina Yee – Secretary

Ruchi Srivastava – Treasurer

Executive Members at Large: Dave and Donna Kerr, Sherri Hopkins, Priti Bhatt

Please watch for information about our first fundraiser: – **The Entertainment Book (cost of the book is \$25.00)**. Sales will start on October 15th and end on October 29. We are going to be sending a flyer home from school council, asking what parents would like to see discussed at meetings. Please watch for this. **Our upcoming meeting dates are: October 8th, November 5th, January 7th, April 8th, and , June 10th.**

FERNFOREST CLOTHES



Show your school spirit!
Soar with the Fernforest Falcons!

Clothing with the school name and logo will again be available to order. This high quality clothing comes in a variety of sizes and styles. A form has been sent home with your child.

Clothes were on display with samples for sizing at the Open House.

Please return your forms and fees by: **this Friday, October 3rd**.

COOKIE DAY !!!
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH



Cookies will be sold to the students on this date. Please watch for more information. All cookies are nut-free.

PIZZA DAYS

Please mark the following dates on your calendar. Pizza will be available on: October 16th, November 13th, December 18th. Forms will be sent home on October 1st for the October 16th date.



GREAT SMILES!

Please note that Kindergartens, Grade Twos and Grade Fours will have dental screening on October 21st and 28th at our school. Hearing and Vision screening will take place in November. These initiatives are to help parents be aware if their children may require further dental/doctor support.



October is International Walk to School Month!

Our school is participating in International Walk to School Day on **Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2008**. On this day, walk, bike, blade,

scooter, skip or hop to school... but don't drive!



Looking for lunchroom help

Our school is looking for energetic individuals who would be interested in being a **lunchroom supervisor**. The position requires a commitment of approximately one hour per day and pays \$10/hour. Responsibilities include monitoring classrooms, the lunch room, hallways or outdoor recess. All lunchroom supervisors will be required to complete a police record check. Please speak with Mrs. Moss, the Vice Principal at 905-793-6157.



Fire Prevention Week

October 5 to 11, 2008

Brampton Fire & Emergency Services is reaching out to the community this fall during Fire Prevention Week, October 5 to 11, 2008.



This year's theme, *Prevent home fires*, focuses on taking a little extra caution to prevent the leading causes of home fires – cooking, heating, electrical and smoking materials.

Visit Canadian Tire at Trinity Commons on Oct. 5 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to take a tour of a fire truck and meet some of the Brampton's firefighters

DATES TO REMEMBER

October 1 st	Eid-ul-Fir
October 6 th	World Teacher Week
October 8 th	Yom Kippur
	Walk to School Day
October 13 th	Thanksgiving Day – no classes for students
October 14 th	Election Site at Fernforest
	Mrs. S. Teal - our Superintendent visiting
October 16 th and 17 th	Photo Days!
October 15 th	Bus Driver Appreciation Day
October 21 st and 28 th	Dental Screening
October 28 th	Diwali
October 31 st	Hallowe'en.