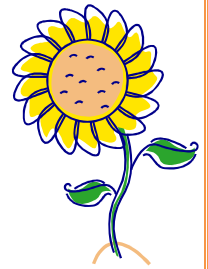


October 2010 Cawston Courier



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October Calendar

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
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4 <i>Fire Drill & Assembly 9:00</i>	5 <i>District Cross Country Meet at TEN - 12:15</i>	6 <i>Walk to School Day (Kobau Park)</i>	7 <i>StrongStart Closed</i>	8 <i>Harvest Assembly 1:00 StrongStart Closed</i>
11 <i>Thanksgiving Day No School</i>	12 <i>PAC Meeting 7:00</i>	13 <i>Picture Retakes</i>	14	15 <i>PAC Popcorn Day</i>
18 <i>Mid-Month Newsletter & Parent Conference Times sent home.</i>	19	20	21	22 <i>Non-Instruction Day (No school for students)</i>
25	26 <i>Parent Conferences Dismissal 12:00 Book Fair</i>	27 <i>Book Fair</i>	28 <i>Parent Conferences Dismissal 12:00 Book Fair</i>	29

Attached or included with this newsletter:

- StrongStart October calendar
- CAPC October calendar
- Meal Program Envelope
- Term One Overviews
- Code of Conduct
- Fire Prevention Book and Pamphlet from the Keremeos Volunteer Fire Department



Coming in October



Term 1 Overviews

Today your child is bringing home a Term 1 Overview, outlining all the things your child will be learning in the different subject areas between now and the end of November. If you have any questions about the Overview, please call your child's teacher.



Fire Prevention Week

This year, Fire Prevention Week is October 3 to 9. To highlight this important week for our students we will have a Fire Drill and Assembly on Monday, October 4 at 9:00. The Keremeos Volunteer Fire Department will send their trucks to the school when the fire alarm rings and will participate in our fire prevention assembly immediately following the fire drill.

Please take some time over the next week to discuss fire safety in your home, especially what to do in the event of a fire.

Cross Country Run

On Tuesday, October 5, 32 students will represent our school at the District Cross-Country run at Tuc-el-Nuit Elementary School in Oliver. Each grade level selected their fastest long distance runners and these students have been practicing during the noon hour for this upcoming run. Special thanks to Miss Webster and Mr. Fairbrother, who have been spending their lunch hours coaching our cross-country team.

The following students will be competing in the cross-country meet:

Grade 4 - Yan Peron, Jai Minshull, Noah Gumpert, Jughraj Bopari, Allyn Deakin, Shianna Allison, Jade Demchuck, Simone Wilkinson

Grade 3 - Carter Thompson, Darian Zarif, Tyson Douangpanya, Sher Sidhu, Sadie Hockey, Elianna Beglaw, Dakota Marsel, Dayton Hockey

Grade 2 - Levi Carter, Brody Yamamoto, Marc Peron, David Claus, Cassandra Gibbs, Karmpreet Gill, Mehak Mundi, Amy Lucich

Grade 1 - Ty Lezard, Shanjit Brar, Kaleb Montgomery-Reid, Shelby ETTY, Hannah Shore, Riley Franklin, Ryley Demchuck, Gabby Campen.

Good luck!

Walk to School Day

On Wednesday, October 6, we will have our annual Walk to School Day. Cawston School is among hundreds of schools throughout the province who participate in Walk to School Days between October 4 and 8. Walk to School Day is intended to promote active living and physical fitness.

On the morning of October 6, the buses will drop off students at Kobau Park. If you drive your children to school, please drop them off at the park as well. We will then all walk in our class groups to school at 8:45. Parents are welcome to join us in our annual walk for fitness.



Harvest Assembly

It's hard to believe but Thanksgiving weekend is coming quickly. You are welcome to attend our Harvest Assembly on Friday, October 8 at 1:00. We will be entertained by Mrs. Keyes, Mrs. Brunton/Nunes, Mrs. Bews and Miss Webster's classes. And, yes, we will have our annual draws for pumpkin pies and a turkey for some lucky family to have for their Thanksgiving dinner.

StrongStart Closed

Please note that our StrongStart Centre will be closed on Thursday, October 7 and Friday, October 8. Ms. Alkestrup, our facilitator, is attending a provincial StrongStart workshop, along with all the other facilitators from across our District.

Picture Retakes

The photographer will be at our school for picture retakes on Wednesday, October 13, in the morning.

PAC Popcorn Day

Our first PAC Popcorn Day will be on Friday, October 15. Thank you to Kathaleen Gibbs who will be organizing this treat for the children. Popcorn will be sold for \$1.00 per bag, at lunch time. All proceeds will go into our PAC funds.



PAC Meeting

Our next PAC meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 12 at 7:00 in the school library. We had our first PAC meeting of the year on September 21. It included elections for the PAC executive. Our PAC secretary is Annette Riegling and treasurer is Monica Chursinoff. Thank you to Annette and Monica for accepting these responsibilities on behalf of the PAC.

We are still looking for a PAC president. Mrs. Sandra Simpson, who has been our president for the past two years, is stepping down. At this time, on behalf of the PAC and the school, we want to acknowledge all the work Sandra did for the PAC over the past two years. She organized our fund-raising efforts, including the Carnival and the Basket Raffle, as well as our Pizza and Popcorn Days. We cannot thank her enough for all her efforts!!

But now, we need someone else to come forward and serve as our president. If you are at all interested, please contact Annette or Monica, or just come to our next meeting. If you are not interested in being the president, but would like to be part of our PAC, please come to our October 12 meeting.

Our PAC has almost raised enough money to purchase our second play structure. That will continue to be a focus for the PAC this year. We are looking so forward to having the smaller play structure on our playground for the children.



Non-Instruction Day

Friday, October 22 will be a Non-Instruction Day at Cawston School. There will be no school for students. Staff will be attending professional development activities.

Book Club

We are very pleased to announce that Mr. Lucich will be starting a Book Club for students who wish to participate. Book Club meetings will be held on Thursdays at 12:30 in the library. Thank you to Mr. Lucich for making this opportunity available to our students.



Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences

This year, our first set of Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences will be on Tuesday, October 26 and Thursday, October 28. School will be dismissed at 12:00 on these two days. Please note that SESS will have their conferences and early dismissal on the same day.

Teachers will send home notes with your Conference times on Monday, October 18 with our mid-month newsletter.

We look forward to meeting with you and your child to discuss their progress.

Book Fair

Our librarian, Mrs. Lucich, is organizing a Book Fair, to be held during the week of Parent Conferences, October 26 to 28. We will have more information about Book Fair hours, in our mid-month newsletter. Great books, great prices!! Thanks Mrs. Lucich!

Hot Lunch Program

Our Hot Lunch program continues to be very popular again this year. Thanks to Mrs. Douangpanya's keen shopping skills, we are able to serve our students a nutritious, well-balanced lunch for \$3.00 once a week.

We need to clearly state, however, that if you want your child to participate, they must return the envelopes/payment before the due date and they must participate for the whole month. Mrs. Douangpanya plans her meals carefully and purchases, in advance, when items are on sale. This is the only way we can continue to offer the quality of meals we do at only \$3.00 each. Please do not send in late payments or requests for certain meals only - we simply do not have the staffing or the funding to be able to work around these issues. A sincere thank you for your cooperation.

Meal Menu for October

October 7 Pizza Pop
Green Salad & Baby Carrots
Fruit

October 14 Turkey Hot Dog
Veggies & Dip
Fruit

October 21 Soft Shell Taco (with lettuce & cheese)
Fruit



Looking Back at September

Information Night and Barbeque

Thank you to all the families who attended our Information Night and Barbeque on Wednesday, September 22. We had our largest crowd ever and we were very happy to see everyone enjoying the barbeque and chatting with the teachers.

Thank you to our barbeque crew - Mrs. Ring, Ms. Schmidt, Mrs. Macleod, Mrs. Doi and the ice cream lady, Mrs. Lucich. Special thanks to Mrs. Douangpanya, who organized the food for us, and to Mrs. Agar, who cleaned "around us" that night.

Apples, Peaches & Pears

A special Sunflower thank you to all the families who have donated fruit for our students to munch on at recess. We are very fortunate to live in an area with such delicious fresh fruit growing in our midst and we are very grateful to the families who donate fruit for the children to eat.



Community News

Beavers and Cubs

Beavers and Cubs is up and running again in the Cawston School gym, Tuesday and Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, please call Daryn Sheppard at 499-0181.

