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Courage

I face challenges directly. I speak up for myself and others even when it may be unpopular. I ask for help when necessary. I recognize risks and dangers and do not take unwise chances to please others.

Principal's Message:

We have had a wonderful fall at Murray Centennial Public School and we have appreciated the warmer than usual temperatures. I would like to express my sincere thanks to our School Council who have once again organized our fall vendor sale. Please consider coming out on Saturday, November 4 from 10-3 to do some Christmas shopping and to support our school. We will have a number of vendors visiting us and we will also have a food truck on site for any hungry tummies.

The students at Murray are busy with a variety of learning activities in their classrooms and I am very pleased with the work I see the students engaged in on my classroom visits. Progress Reports for all students will be coming home on November 10. Teachers will be happy to meet with any parents requesting an interview. Teachers may also wish to request an interview with you.

November 11 is Remembrance Day. Murray will be hosting 2 assemblies on November 10. The junior/intermediates will participate in a 9:45am assembly and the primary students will participate at 12:30pm. Parents and guardians are welcome to attend.

Please remember that November 24 is a PA day. This is a full day of professional development for all staff. Our staff focus for professional learning this year is math and more specifically, proportional reasoning. We will be spending time together learning more in this area and developing teaching strategies to use with our students.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact the office should you have any questions or concerns.

Andrea Hunt-Schmoll

Principal

School Council Update

School Council has been in full swing. This year again we welcome new members and those returning.

Members are:

Tina Kinmond – Chair
Daniele De Luca – Treasurer
Melissa Gunter – Secretary
Erin Honeywell – Teacher Representative

Thank you to our members for their time and commitment to this committee.

Colder Weather is Fast Approaching

Students love their recesses but it is important that they are appropriately dressed for the weather. Please be sure your child is dressed accordingly to the temperatures.

Breakfast Program

Our breakfast program is up and running again. Every Wednesday and Friday our students are given an opportunity to come in and enjoy a quick breakfast before they start their mornings in their class. Once again a huge thanks to our dedicated volunteers who help make this program a success at Murray Centennial.

Inclement Weather

Inclement weather is imminent, which can sometimes lead to bus cancellations. Here are a couple of tips on what to do if there are bus cancellations.

- ▶ Visit the Student Transportation Services of Ontario website at www.stsco.ca and click on “Delay and Cancellation Information” at the top of the homepage.
- ▶ Listen to your favourite local radio station for bus cancellation.

If buses are cancelled in the morning, they won't run in the afternoon as well.

Please don't call the school to check on buses, as it ties up phone lines needed for possible emergency calls.

STSCO Contact Information
Phone 1(800)757-0307
Email: comments@stsco.ca

Sunship Earth Update

Once again, Sunship Earth was a huge success! Leading up to the Thanksgiving long weekend, the Grade 6s ventured up to Haliburton to visit Y.M.C.A. Wanakita. We stayed in cabins, sang at campfires, hiked the trails and learned the seven ecological secrets of E.C.D.C.I.C.A. Curious what those are? Find a Grade 6 and ask! Memories were made and a great time was had by all. A special thanks goes out to all the students and parents who helped with fundraising efforts (McMillan's, Cheese, Popcorn), and to the brave parents who volunteered to come up with us! We can't make trips like these happen without the help of the community – so thank you for your support! Grade 5s – get ready! Sunship Earth information is heading your way shortly!

Bear Wear

It is getting to the time of year when the holidays and shopping are on your mind. Can we help you out a bit! Why not look at our site for bear wear. Many styles to choose from and a nice warm hoodie or shirt could be the answer. Check out murraybears.entripyshops.com

Maybe your child has already been a recipient of bear wear clothing, we also have our 50th Anniversary Mugs for sale. For \$5.00 it would make a great stocking stuffer and a nice keepsake for your child to have for being a Murray Bear student. There maybe a little goodie or two inside these cups as well! Please inquire at the main office. As always thank you for your support!

Remembrance Day

Murray Centennial will be hosting two assemblies on November 10th for our Remembrance Day. Grades 4 to 8 will be held at 9:45 in the big Gym and the Kindergarten, Grades 1 to 3 will be at 11:40. Please feel free to join us in the big Gym.

News from your Early Act Club

By: Rachel W., Public Relations

Our early act club has been started up again and our new executive team is;

Alex D. as President

Nelson W. as Vice President

Rachel W. as Public Relations

Jordyn N. as Treasurer

Riley B. as Secretary

We meet each Tuesday at 11:00. The Early Act Club is a Rotary-sponsored Service club. Each year, we undertake three projects; one to serve our community, one to serve our school, and one to help out internationally. This year, as our community project, we have chosen to collect and donate warm items like slippers, socks, clothes, hats, blankets etc. To support us, please consider sending in some of the items above. More information will follow.

On-Line Payment

If you are doing on-line payments for trips, pizza etc., the teachers are requesting that you would write a **confirmation number** on top of the returning form to the school. This will help to notify when the students have had payments done on line.

Drum Making at Murray

The grade 7 students at Murray experienced a wonderful opportunity this past month by making handmade drums. The grade 7 students made Djembes – an African style drum. The students spent two weeks creating the art work that would decorate the drums. Leo Brooks, a drum maker from the Ottawa area, came in for two days to actually make the drums with the grade 7 students. As well, Mr. Brooks gave all the students a drumming workshop, where students learned a variety of rhythms and had a lot of fun. The drums will not only be used for music class but will used cross-curricular as well.

Parent Internet Safety Workshop

In today's day and age children are increasingly using internet technology, social media platforms, and apps that allow them to communicate with virtually anyone. As parents and guardians the rapid advances in technology present new and ever evolving challenges that can feel overwhelming as we strive to keep our children safe online. It seems easy to simply prohibit our children from using technology; however this is not practical or sustainable particularly as our children grow older. We are pleased to invite you to join us with your children at MCPS on Wednesday November 29th at 6:30pm for a seminar hosted by Matt Richardson, Internet Safety Consultant. The seminar will reinforce messages around healthy relationships and positive self image and provide parents and guardians with practical, age appropriate advice for framing conversations on internet and personal safety in a positive and empowering way that will inspire rather than instill fear.

Santa Claus Parade

Mark your calendars for Sunday November 26th for Trenton's Santa Claus Parade. Hours of the parade are between 4:30 and 6:00 p.m. Murrays' own music students from the Calisto Choir, Ursa Major Singers and the Kodiak Concert Band will be performing. Students are asked to be at Centennial Park for 3:30 p.m. More details to follow. Please come and show your holiday spirit!

Junior Girls Rugby

WOW! What an amazing season! The Murray Centennial junior girls rugby team were outstanding. The girls dominated in round robin play at the regional tournament with solid defense and explosive offense. The girls allowed only 3 tries while scoring more than 30. This put them in the finals where they battled hard to defeat Brighton Public School and become regional champions. This championship sent us to KPREAA where the girls once again stepped up to the challenge and one their first game which put them on the championship side of the event. Unfortunately, the girls were defeated in the semi finals. However, this did not deter them from earning a medal. They stepped right in to their next game against Burnham Public School and although falling down early 3-0 they bounced backed with the ferociousness of the BEARS they are and won the bronze medal. Way to go, Alex D., Leah R. Adi B., Sydney B., Caroline D., Sydney W., Jady L., Jordan N., Fallon K., Mariah R-M., Jade O. and Paige O.

Intermediate Boys Rugby

Another successful day to these boys as well. Despite a rainy day our intermediate boys played well. They won their first game against the Clarington East team. Then the Bears came up against Dale Road and they lost to a tight game of 6-5. Final game they came back to win against Brighton to bring home a bronze medal. The team members were Owen B., Nathan D., Michael D., Seamus K., Tyvian K., Daniel L.M., Matthew P., Mac S., Nick S., Ethan W., Carter R., Ethan V., Kendrick W., Jacob W. Well done team!

Intermediate Girls Rugby

It rained, it poured and yet we still scored! The girls flag rugby team scored a bronze medal at the KPREAA event. After an astounding season which featured an undefeated first place finish at the tournament on October 24th. The season was wrapped up with our Bears visiting TASS in Peterborough. They played with precision and skill and won their first game while dropping a tough loss in their second game. Third and final game to these hard working girls proved to be an outstanding finish for the KPREAA event and to their amazing season. Coach Slimmons thanks Julia

D., Megan D., Katelyn F., Sydney H., Abi H., Amber K., Georgie M, Dallis M., Isabelle M., Kiera O., Erika P., Lauren S. and Halle W.

Cross Country Team

Showing amazing team spirit, dedication and hard work, our 2017 Cross Country Team shone in both our ASG and KPREAA meets. We are very proud of these young athletes for always putting forth their best effort and leadership skills during practices and competitions. Striving for personal bests and achieving them is exemplary of their efforts.

We'd like to congratulate all athletes for a great season.

The following students represented MCPS as ASG Competitors.

Emma 4th, Savannah 10th, Emmerson, Sarah, Danica, Tatianna, Matthew 4th, Dustin 8th, Liam 9th, Tyson, Brock, Spencer, Owen, Matthew, Cadence 2nd, Hailey 4th, Riley, Riley, Zoe, Sierra, Owen, Dex, Charlie, Sydney 3rd, Caroline 6th, Jordyn, Sophia, Mason 1st, Layla 1st, Erika 3rd, Charlotte 9th, Katie, Ileana, Michael 1st, Ethan 5th, Vince 9th, Jude, Mac, Owen, Halle 1st, Dallis 2nd, Sydney 3rd, Abby 5th, Julia 9th, Nathan 2nd, Matthew 4th, Kendrick 7th, Ethan.

Team results:

Grade 4 girls-2nd , Grade 4 boys-1st, Grade 5 girls-1st , Grade 7 girls- 1st , Grade 7 boys- 2nd , Grade 8 girls- 1st.

The following students represented MCPS as KPREAA Competitors.

Emma, Savannah, Emmerson, Sarah, Danica, Matthew 10th, Dustin, Liam, Tyson, Brock, Cadence 4th, Riley, Riley, Zoe, Dex, Charlie, Sydney 7th, Caroline, Mason 2nd, Layla 4th, Erika, Charlotte, Katie, Ileana, Michael 4th, Ethan, Vince, Jude, Mac, Halle 7th, Dallis 5th, Sydney 6th, Abby, Julia, Nathan, Matthew, Kendrick, Ethan.

A special recognition goes out to our Grade 7 boys and Grade 8 girls for finishing first overall as a competitive team.

Miss. Dingman and Mrs. Geens would like to give a special shout out to the grade 8 girls team of Halle, Dallis, Sydney, Abby and Sarah for being undefeated KPREAA Champions from grade 4 through grade 8! Congratulations girls!

And we would like to thank all of our team members for another fun, successful season.

Murray Centennial Public School



We are selling Holiday Wreaths and Planters!



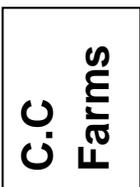
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| Wreaths |
| \$20.00 12" |
| \$28.00 18" |

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| Planter \$28.00 |
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C.C farms is a family owned company providing handmade evergreen Holiday wreaths and planters. Everything is fresh and made to order.

The size of the ring is either 12' or 18" and the wreath finishes out to 20" or 24" wide and a thickness of about 5" deep. Our planters are made in a plastic 2 gallon pot.



Because everything is cut and made fresh these products will stay green outside until spring.

All orders are due by: Tuesday, Nov 7th 2017

Cash or Cheque (payable to Murray Centennial P.S.) only

Delivery date: Tuesday, Nov 21th 2017

Orders will be ready for pick up at the school 4- 6pm

Nov 21st

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| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | Pizza Day on Tuesdays | 1 | 2 | 3 Grilled Cheese on Fridays. | 4 Parent Council Vendor Fair 10 – 3 pm |
| 5  | 6 | 7 Wreath orders due | 8 Farm Fresh Delivery | 9 | 10  Two Assemblies | 11 |
| 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 19 | 20 | 21 Wreath order pick up | 22 | 23 | 24 PA Day No School | 25 |
| 26 Trenton Santa Claus Parade 4:30 | 27 | 28 VolleyBall Com. & Rec Teams out | 29 Parent Internet Workshop 6:30 pm | | | |