October was a very exciting month at John Dryden Public School, with many extra-curricular opportunities for students. We’d like to congratulate the Cross Country Team, Flag Football Team and Intermediate Boys and Girls Volleyball Teams for their successful seasons. Excellent teamwork and sportsmanship skills were demonstrated by all.

Student Council, STAR, Junior and Intermediate Choirs, Intermediate Band, Technology Crew, Photography Club, Intramurals and Basketball Skills Training Sessions, Curling, Junior Boys, Girls and Co-Ed Volleyball Teams, Eco-Club, Basketball Teams, Intermediate Art Club, Battle of the Books Team and Dance Troupe are just some of the extra-curricular activities that students will be involved in during the month of November. We’d like to extend a huge thank you to our teachers for volunteering their time to provide these valuable opportunities to our students.

We would also like to extend a thank you to our School Community Council for their hard work and dedication in working collaboratively and running our QSP Magazine Fundraiser as well as Milkshake Mondays. Your efforts bring opportunities and resources for our students. More information can be found later in the newsletter and on our school website regarding our hard working SCC.

Academically, students are committed to, and engaged in learning. In their classes, students are developing and identifying Learning Goals to improve their achievement. Teachers discuss steps or criteria necessary to successfully meet those goals with students and provide descriptive feedback to students throughout their learning process.

Progress Reports will be sent home on Wednesday, November 16th, and interviews with teachers have been scheduled for the evening of Thursday, November 17th and the morning of Friday, November 18th. At this time, teachers will be able to provide you with specific areas upon which you can focus your efforts in improving your child’s learning.

We look forward to seeing you at upcoming events and are excited about the busy and fun-filled month ahead at John Dryden Public School!

Sue Lunn, Principal    Hayley Aiken, Vice-Principal

WHOO ARE DOING GREAT THINGS AT DRYDEN!

Congratulations to the following students who have received a Principal’s Award for being excellent John Dryden citizens by making good choices, having good manners, being committed, being kind, having integrity, showing teamwork, being good helpers, demonstrating good leadership and having school spirit: Jahzia, Raenee, Camryn, Nash, Emilie, Rozhe, Anson, Ethan, Shiloh, Georgia, Samantha, Brandon, Matthew, Sadaf, Aidyn, Adrian, Najaela, Mya, Jaylah, Alexis, Lexie, Jordan, Ashayaa, Lyric, Desiree, Tanner, Hila and Ethan ......Way to go!
Let's Talk Science

On Thursday November 3rd, 2016, **UOIT** students came over to do a presentation. The university students names were Julian, Justin, Christian and Jessica. Mrs. Karstulovich's grade 5 students joined Mrs. Cameron's class. Mrs. Cameron's class and Mrs. Karstulovich's class went to the staff room from 1st period to morning recess for the presentation. Mr. Donald’s class went from morning recess to lunchtime. The presentation was all about what people do in a crime lab. We sat down and they told us the case. They put us in groups of five and gave each group a suspect and suspect clues. There were three different groups. There was the Chromatology group, the fingerprint group and the chemical analysis group. The group had to rotate around to all the different groups. In the chemical analysis group, we had to mix different substances to try to match the same substances that were found at the crime scene. When you mixed some of the substances like vinegar and baking soda, it came out in different colors like purple, pink, a milky white and clear. In the fingerprinting group, you had to match your suspect’s fingerprints to the fingerprint that they found at the crime scene. You also got to make your own fingerprint by dipping one of your fingers into baby powder then sticking it onto a jar for ten seconds. Then take your finger off the jar and stick a piece of tape over your fingerprint that you just made. Press the tape for ten seconds too. Finally, you remove the tape and stick the piece of tape onto a black piece of paper. In the Chromology group, you match the handwriting of a ransom note to the ransom note that they found at the crime scene. The overall experience was fun and we would love to do the presentation again one day.
The intermediate girls volleyball team got third place in their "Diggin and Swingin" Invitational Volleyball" tournament.

VOLUNTEER OF DISTINCTION

This year’s Volunteer of Distinction is Rawdeyah Hooseinny. Rawdeyah is an invaluable member of our community. She works tirelessly for our school whether it be reading with our struggling readers or helping out in other areas of the school. She is here on a daily basis to assist students and teachers. She is an asset to our school and we are thrilled to honour her with this award. Rawdeyah received her certificate at the Volunteer of Distinction ceremony held at the Education Centre on Thursday, October 27th, 2016. Thank you and congratulations Rawdeyah!
**Student Council Food Drive**

Here at John Dryden, Student Council has just completed our annual food drive to help families in need of food. From October 11th- October 28th, Student Council hung posters in the hallways of John Dryden to help promote the "Stomp out Hunger" campaign, and did announcements to remind students to bring in non-perishable food items. Our families were very generous and we collected lots of non-perishable food items. We are very happy with the turnout and hope next year will be the same. All proceeds have gone to the Salvation Army, Oshawa Family Services (Food Bank). Watch for our upcoming hat and mitten tree. Details will follow to bring in some Winter gear for the people in need.

**Dates of Significance for November**

November 1 - All Saints - Day (Roman Catholic, Anglican and Christian)
November 2 - All Souls Day (Roman Catholic, Anglican and Christian)
November 11 - Remembrance Day (Canadian)
November 12 - Birth of Baha'u'llah (Bahá'í)
November 16 - Louis Riel Day
November 16 - International Day for Tolerance
November 20 - Transgender Day of Remembrance
November 21 - 25 Bullying Awareness and Prevention
November 23 - Holodomor Memorial Day
November 25 - International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (UN)
November 27 - Advent (Christian)

John Dryden will be collecting non-perishable food items at all the Holiday Concerts.
The SCC wants to thank everyone who participated in the QSP Fall fundraiser! All products except magazines will be delivered to the school on the week of November 15th. All students who participated had their names added to our “Emoji Wall of Fame!” Remember online orders are still available throughout the year and will benefit John Dryden. Our group code is 3724143. Thank you again to all who participated!

Milkshake Mondays are back! Campaign 1 ended on October 31 and our next campaign will begin in November. Forms have gone home this week. Everyone loves a yummy chocolate, vanilla or strawberry shake! Milkshakes are $2.00 each. Enjoy a delicious treat and support John Dryden!

Our Fundscrip fundraiser is ongoing! Everyone loves gift cards! Please consider buying your gift cards and help John Dryden at the same time. There are many participating stores so please take a moment to go online at www.fundscrip.com and register. Our group invitation code is CFM4UC.

John Dryden Public School is a member of the Campbell Soup Labels for education program. Please start saving your labels as there will be friendly class competitions throughout the year. For eligible labels, please go to: http://www.labelsforeducation.ca/english/eligible.asp
Forks and Spoons

Please remind your child that if they are bringing food that requires a fork or spoon to eat it then they need to pack these utensils in their lunch bag. The office has only a limited supply of forks and spoons.

Character Trait for November is RESPECT

I treat other people the way I want to be treated. I am courteous and polite. I listen to what people say. I don’t insult, ridicule or name call. I protect property and the environment.

Je traite les autres comme je veux être traité(e). Je suis courtois(e) et poli(e). J’écoute ce que les autres ont à dire. Je m’exprime sans insulter, ni ridiculiser les autres.

Custody and Access Orders

If there are any special arrangements for your child of which the school needs to be aware, please ensure that the school administration and office personnel have an updated copy of court orders for access or custody, signed by an Ontario Court Judge. We must have a copy on file if you wish us to carry out the direction stated in the order.

SPIRITWEAR

Spiritwear is still available to order until December and you can find the link and information on our website.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Nov 10 - SCC meeting
- Nov 10 - Swim to Survive Session—Grade 3
- Nov 11 - Remembrance Day
- Nov 14 - Book Fair Nov 14 - Nov 18
- Nov 16 - Progress Reports go home
- Nov 17 - Swim to Survive Session - Grade 3
- Nov 17 - Parent/Teacher Interview Evening
- Nov 18 - P.D. Day Parent/Teacher Interviews
- Nov 22 - Picture Retakes
- Nov 24 - Swim to Survive Session - Grade 3
- Dec 7 - Kindergarten Holiday Concert @ 6 pm
- Dec 14 - Primary Holiday Concert @ 6:30 pm
- Dec 15 - Jr/Int. Holiday Concert @ 6:30 pm

Thank You

November 11
Durham Counselling Walk-In Clinic

We are a free, confidential, counselling walk-in clinic, providing service for children and youth, 3-19 years (up until their 20th birthday), and their families.

- We provide single-session counselling.
- We focus on what clients would like to address, and feel is important.
- Therapists work together with children, youth and their families.
- Together, we will build upon existing strengths to create a plan for positive change.
- The clinic operates on a first-come, first-served basis.

People come to us for many different reasons including family issues, strategies for positive change, stress management, relationship challenges, parenting support, youth development, substance use concerns, etc. We will listen to you without judgment. Our clinic is very knowledgeable about Durham Region, and can provide information about community resources and services. Often clients feel better about their situation after one session, and are hopeful about moving forward.

The Durham Counselling Walk-in Clinic is located at Carea Community Health Centre (Ajax site), 360 Bayly St. W., Unit 5 in Ajax. For further information, please call the Clinic Coordinator at 905-428-1212.

The clinic hours are Wednesdays from 1-8 p.m. (Last session will start at 6 p.m.) The service takes approximately 2 hours.

The Durham Counselling Walk-in Clinic is run by a community collaborative, staffed by providers from:

Catholic Family Services of Durham  
Lakeridge Health  
- Pinewood Centre  
- Child Youth and Family Program  
Rose of Durham Young Parents Support Services

Chimo Youth and Family Services  
Carea Community Health Centre  
Frontenac Youth Services  
Resources for Exceptional Children and Youth - Durham Region.

We look forward to working with you.
Transgender Day of Remembrance

November 20

"Because our lives matter."

An invitation for families to learn how to empower their children through the use of technology for life-long learning in the classroom and beyond.

TECHNOLOGY for Learning and Life

EXPO

Saturday, November 19, 2016 • 12:30–4:00pm

DDSBEducation Centre • 400 Taunton Road East, Whitby, ON

Renewed Mathematics Strategy

For students in Grade K-6

Doing Mathematics with your Child, Kindergarten to Grade 6 – A Parent Guide.

Lots of fun everyday activities organized by curriculum strand, K to 3 and 4 to 6.

Visit www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideNum.html

This guide is available as an Adobe Acrobat PDF file in the following 13 languages:

French - Français
Urdu - اردو
Chinese – Traditional - 繁體中文
Punjabi - ਪੰਜਾਬੀ
Chinese – Simplified - 简体中文
Hindi - हिन्दी
Tagalog
Spanish - Español
Vietnamese - Tiếng Việt
Portuguese - Português
Arabic - العربية
Tamil - தமிழ்
Korean - 한국어
Farsi - فارسی

For students in Grades 7 – 10

Free Math Homework Help

Students in Grades 7-10 can access this free service provided by the Ministry of Education and TVO. Students can login between 5:30-9:30 p.m. from Sunday-Thursday to use the “Ask a Tutor” service for one-on-one Math tutoring. Ontario certified teachers are online to support students in all numeracy strands.

Visit www.tvo.org/homeworkhelp.

Did you know that November is Diabetes Awareness Month? There are two main types of diabetes. Type 2 is the most common and can usually be controlled by diet and exercise. Type 1 Diabetes accounts for approximately 10% of the diabetes population and is an auto-immune disease that strikes without warning at any age. It occurs when a person’s pancreas stops producing insulin, a hormone that enables you to get energy from food. Without multiple daily injections of insulin those living with Type 1 Diabetes would not survive.

The Charles H. Best Diabetes Centre is a charitable organization that currently supports over 400 children and 1,000 adults with Type 1 Diabetes in the Durham region, by providing the valuable education and support necessary to manage this life-changing disease.

1. There is no known cause and no cure for Type 1 Diabetes.
2. Children do not “grow out of it”.
3. Over 300 factors can affect a person’s blood sugars each day.
4. A person with Type 1 Diabetes will test their blood sugars by pricking their fingers at least 4-6 times each day.
5. They must count all carbohydrates in the food they eat to calculate their correct insulin dosage.
6. Life-saving insulin injections must be given 6-8 times each day.

That’s over 5,400 needles each year... every year... FOR LIFE!
Proud to be First Nation, Métis and Inuit

We are all Treaty People
Linking Historical & Contemporary Contexts for Treaty Relationships Between First Nations and Canada

Tuesday November 7, 2016
O’Neill C.V.I.
In the Library
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Please RSVP to 905-666-6380 or theresa.luey@ddsb.ca

Maurice Switzer
Maurice Switzer is a citizen of the Mississaugas of Alderville First Nation. He was raised in Lakefield and was the first Indigenous student to attend Trent University. A lifelong journalist, he was an editor and publisher at five Canadian daily newspapers — included the Oshawa Times — and subsequently served as director of communications for the Assembly of First Nations and Union of Ontario Indians. In 2010 he was honoured with an Anishinabek Nation Lifetime Achievement Award, and in 2011 authored “We are all Treaty People”, a graphic novel that has sold over 8,000 copies to date. For the past 15 years he has made his home in North Bay, near lands that were traditional family hunting grounds for his ancestors from Alderville and which are part of the Williams Treaty.