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CAMPDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL

COUGAR COUNTRY EXPRESS

BIG THANKS! WELCOME!

The Campden Staff would like to thank all of the families who came out to our Campden Open House on September 14th. It was wonderful to have a chance to chat with so many of you. We hope you enjoyed it as well.

Please remember that if you ever have a question or concern regarding your child please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher. We are here to work with you.

We would like to welcome M Slavin who will be our new French teacher for our grades 4-8 students. M Slavin will be at Campden every afternoon so please stop by and introduce yourself if you have not met him yet. He is very excited to be working with the staff and students at Campden and we are excited to have him on board too!



THINK RECYCLE

Do you have old ink cartridges, digital cameras, cell phones or toner cartridges that you are sure how to dispose of? Well bring them into the school. Campden School is collecting these items for the Think Recycle program. All items collected

will be safely recycled or refurbished while at the same time earning money for our school's Eco Team. Please tell all of your friends and family. Let's keep these items out of the landfills by recycling them properly.

www.thinkrecycle.com



A big thank you to everyone for making our first Book Fair of the year a

HUGE success!! We raised \$200 that went towards purchasing new books for our library. Congratulations to John K. who won our Family Night Draw. John won \$25 worth of books for himself and \$25 worth of books for his classroom. John and Miss Beam had an enjoyable time selecting their books.

Our next Book Fair has been scheduled for February 28th to March 2nd (just in time to pick up books for the March Break).

Congratulations to Jillian in grade 8 for winning our Summer Reading Challenge Draw. Jillian won \$50 worth of books at our Book Fair.

Thank you to everyone who participated. The Campden Cougars did a LOT of reading over the summer!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **October 3** - Cross Country Meet
- **October 4** - Junior Soccer Tournament
- **October 5** - World Teacher's Day
- **October 6** - Thanksgiving Day Luncheon
- **October 6** - FundScrip Order Due
- **October 7** - P.A. Day
- **October 10** - Thanksgiving Day
- **October 13** - Great Canadian Fire Drill
- **October 18** - Photo Retakes
- **October 20** - JK-2 Byn-Anne Pumpkin Patch
- **October 21** - FundScrip Order Due
- **October 22** - Family Night at the Niagara Ice Dogs' Game
- **October 25** - School Council Meeting at 6:30
- **October 26** - Educational Assistant Day

Don't forget to stay right up-to-date with Campden happenings by checking out our online calendar.
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DON'T FORGET TO GIVE US A CALL.....



If your child is going to be absent or late, please be sure to notify the office prior to 9:00 a.m. We have an answering service available for your convenience. If you need to phone in the evening or early in the morning please feel free to leave us a message. If your child is absent or late and we do not receive a call, Mrs. Hodgkins, our secretary, will phone to ensure that your child is safe.

POWER OF ONE PERFORMANCE

By Areti – Grade 2

The Power of One was fun. I learned that bullying is not good. Bullying is not good because it makes the person that is being bullied not feel good. Bullying is not good because it hurts that person who is being bullied. If someone is being bullied tell the teacher. My favourite part was when they were wearing the masks. Bullying = Being Mean Over and Over Again!



By Sarah B. – Grade 5

Yesterday we went to see the *Power of One* anti-bullying assembly. First, it was about people bullying other people and teaching us how to deal with bullying. Secondly, I liked it when our school got to participate in a skit and when we found the Power of One. Thirdly, the performers showed expression and taught us well. As you can see, we had a great time learning and watching the skits.

By Jenna – Grade 6

Today our class travelled to Jordan School to see *Power of One*. *Power of One* was a skit about bullying. There were three kinds of bullying: cyber bullying, physical bullying, social bullying. The two things I liked about *Power of One* were that the skits were good and they told us about different kinds of bullying. I think that they were very clear speakers and that they played the skits well because they were once bullied themselves. As you can see, *Power of One* was a good experience.

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

On Friday, September 30th Campden had their first official Celebration Assembly of the school year. We had a lot to celebrate and amongst our celebrations the following students were presented with an appreciation certificate. Well done!

Malachi (JK), Ryan (SK), Rachel (Gr. 1), Ruby (Gr. 2), Jack (Gr. 3), Tayah (Gr. 4), Sarah H., Jerriid & Ryan (Gr. 6), Lila (Gr. 7)

and Jillian (Gr. 8).

Thank you to Ms. Giesbrecht and the Gr. 3/4 class for organizing our Celebration Assembly and sharing the Character Trait - Optimism!

Our October assembly will be hosted by the Grade 5/6 class and the Character Trait will be Caring!



CAMPDEN'S CROSS COUNTRY COUGARS

Congratulations to all of the students who have been training so that they can achieve their personal best! We appreciate all of the parents and grandparents who encouraged our team! These are the results from the races that were run on Sept. 26 at Centennial Park. Our 2011 Cross Country runners and their results are Zoe A. (18th), Joshua B., Johnny B., Peyton B. (22nd), Clay E. (4th), Gavin E. (19th), Madison G. (36th), Tayah K. (41st), Domanik L., Madison O. (17th), Simon O. (5th), Nolan R. (11th), David R. (3rd), Lucas S. (13th), Owen S. (14th), Daniel S., Cameron S., Samantha T. (13th) and Trevor W. (20th).

A second race will be run on Oct. 3rd and we hope that all of our Campden competitors perform at their peak. Good luck Cougars!

Grade 3/4 Thoughts about the Fair and Water Festival

When we were at the Water Festival we talked to a fireman and he told us about what to do if there is a fire. The firemen let the toher school use the hose but we got to pass tubs of water like they did in the old days. It was so fun! Some people fell with the water. Everybody took it good. They all laughed. I learned to feel the door with the back of my hand to see if it is hot. I learned that you should yell out of your window before you jump out. The fireman showed us the little motor that cuts through metal bars which is circled in the picture. The fireman also showed us some tools that they use which is circled. I had lots of fun at the Water Festival and I hope we can come back next year. By **Madison G.**

When I went to the Fair I went to see an Alpaca whose name was White Waves. I got to hold a baby chick and I named it Lazy because it wouldn't even stand up. At the center with Chef Greg he showed us how to flavor field cucumbers by using salt, sugar and vinegar. I went to see soccer jerseys. That was my day at the fair! By **Simon O.**

My favourite part was when we went to see the chickens and when we saw Chef Greg and he put on different types of food flavours, bitter, sweet, sour and salt. Then, we went to the station with rabbits. Then, we went to the chicks station and it was fun. We all enjoyed the Fair. By **Tayah K.**



NIAGARA ICE DOGS VISIT CAMPDEN

Excitement was in the air when the Niagara Ice Dogs arrived at Campden.

We got to learn a little bit about 3 of the players; Adam Desautels, Shayne Rover and Mark Visentin. We were also thrilled to see that their mascot, Bones, also came to the school. The students had an opportunity to ask them questions before we played a game of floor hockey against them.

On **Saturday, October 22** the Niagara Ice Dogs will be hosting a Campden/Jordan Family Night. Tickets are \$13 and need to be ordered by October 13th. For those going to the game you are also invited to the pre skate from 5:00-5:50. A great family night!

Looking forward to seeing you at the game!



HALLOWEEN SAFETY

Some pointers to keep the trick or treaters safe.

Children under nine years of age should go out with an adult or responsible older child. Be sure your child stops at all curbs, looks left, right and left again to check for traffic. Remind children to cross at crosswalks, street corners or intersections. It is important they walk on the sidewalk, or walk facing the traffic if there is no sidewalk. Bright coloured costumes make your child easier to see. You can use reflective tape on a costume to make your child more visible. Face paint instead of a mask helps them to see well. Have your child carry a flashlight. When they get home, check all of their treats carefully. Throw out any treats that aren't wrapped, if the wrapping is torn or loose, or if the wrapper has a hole. Remember that small treats can cause your child to choke. You might want to offer an alternative to sugar based treats. Stickers or multicoloured pencils can be a nice surprise in place of, or in addition to, traditional treats.



Nonfiction Reading: How Families Can Help

Literacy development requires a partnership between home, school and community. Since nonfiction text is one of the most effective tools for developing reading skills, it is essential that children have ample opportunities at school, in the community, and at home to read a variety of nonfiction.

Here are several ways families can build literacy skills using nonfiction text:

Tip #1 Help your child understand what he or she reads using comprehension strategies such as:

- asking questions while reading to help your child provide detail and to organize thoughts
- determining important points from interesting details
- making connections to things he or she already knows

- reading “between the lines” to discover meaning that is not stated outright

Tip #2 Talk together about the text by:

- having your child retell the main parts of the text
- encouraging him or her to express and justify opinions and
- showing interest in what your child is saying by being a good listener

Tip #3 Make reading enjoyable by:

- making sure that you have a variety of books, magazines and other nonfiction-reading materials on hand
- looking at the graphic features in reading materials (e.g., photos, illustrations and charts) and identifying how they are used and what their purposes are

Many children like to read materials such as:

- stories that reflect their image of themselves
- articles about their heroes
- information on science and nature
- song lyrics or scripts that appeal to their musical and artistic tastes
- newspapers and magazines
- materials with both print and pictures (e.g., baseball cards)
- things they can read with others (e.g., game scores)
- books or articles that contain powerful ideas about our world
- maps and atlases



Our School Council is looking for someone to take on the role of Fundraising Chair. The duty of the Fundraising Chair is to form a group that meets outside of School Council meetings to discuss, create and implement fundraising ideas. The ideas and updates will then be presented for approval at School Advisory Council meetings. Once approved, the Fundraising Chair will meet with the principal/vice principal to coordinate school and council initiatives. If you are interested in helping with this role please contact the school. Thank you!