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A NOTE FROM SCHOOL COUNCIL

My name is Carolyn Foss and I am your new Chair for our School Council Committee. We had a fantastic turn out at our first Council meeting in September!

Elections were held, all positions were filled and we are looking forward to a new and excited year!

School Council is a way for parents/guardians to gather and discuss items such as fundraising, nutrition within the school, events, grants we receive and many more things!

We invite everyone to come join us the first Monday of every month at 6:30 pm in the School library to share your ideas and get updates on what's happening within your child(ren's) school! Our school website has a School Council tab and here you will find the minutes from each meeting along with a list of members.

Nottawa parents/guardians now have a Facebook group. This is a place where you can get to know other parents or guardians, post questions you may have and post community events that may be happening. To join this group please search "Nottawa School Council" with the symbol of a green tree!

Our Nutrition Committee has started the Good Food Box up again this year. It was a hit last year with approximately 30 orders being completed each month.

How does the Good Food Box work?

The Georgian Good Food box is a once a month order of fresh vegetables and fruit. Because the food is purchased at wholesale prices you end up with the equivalent to \$30 worth of veggies and fruit for \$15. You can

purchase a medium box for \$10 or large box \$15. Orders must be placed by the 2nd Wednesday of the month. Pick up date is the 3rd Wednesday of each month at our School and you can pick up between 2:00 and 4:00.

We encourage everyone to visit <http://www.ggfb.ca> to place your order online where they accept Paypal. Please follow the instructions for your box to be delivered to the School for pick up.

Alternatively, you may also visit the school office to fill out the specific white envelopes in the green box. Cash is preferred. Make sure to seal the envelope and complete legibly as this envelope is your order form.

APPLES GALORE!!! YUM!

Nottawa ES would like to send a huge thank you to our local neighbourhood orchard...Kennedy Orchards for the generous donation of apples to our students and staff. We would also like to thank them for hosting the community in a "you pick" night. Donations were a Whopping \$412.25. These funds will be used to support our nutrition program.

PIZZA, MILK, POPCORN AND SUBS

Our milk, pizza and popcorn programs have started this week. Pre Ordered Subs will start on Monday, October 3rd. Milk is sold daily at second break for \$1.00, Popcorn is sold Tuesdays at second break for \$1.00. If you missed the preorders for pizza it can also be purchased on Wednesdays at second break for

\$2.00/slice. Watch for pizza and sub order forms in December for another 3 month term.

What's the SCDSB Difference? We need to hear from you!

We need your help developing the new strategic plan for the Simcoe County District School Board. The purpose of a strategic plan is to set goals and directions that will guide the work of our organization and help us realize our vision of a community of learners achieving full potential.

We want to know:

- What does the SCDSB do already to help us realize our vision of a community of learners achieving full potential? (What are we doing well?)
- What is the most important thing that we can begin to do to help us realize our vision? (What else can we do to improve?)
- What role do you think SCDSB schools play or should play in your community?

Get involved:

- Visit www.scdsb.on.ca/difference to take our survey and complete the *Where should we invest?* sorting activity to help identify priority areas.
- Follow our @scdsb_schools Twitter account and join our #SCDSBDifference Twitter chat to share your ideas on Thurs., Oct. 6 at 8 p.m.

Other consultation activities:

- We had community outreach booths at Collingwood Downtown Farmers' Market (Sept. 17), Orillia Downtown Farmers' Market (Sept. 24) and Alliston Downtown Farmers' Market (Oct. 1).
- We are conducting on-the-spot interviews with parents and students at select schools across Simcoe County.
- We've invited randomly selected representatives from various stakeholder groups to workshops on Oct. 4 at the Education Centre.

We'll use the input to identify the key areas stakeholders think the SCDSB should focus on. We will also review research on effective practices in education, our own data and the expectations we receive from the Ministry of Education. This information will help the Board of Trustees set our priorities. The strategic plan will outline how— together—we inspire and empower learning for life. Ultimately, our strategic priorities should move us toward our vision of a community of learners achieving full potential

CLEARVIEW COMMUNITY THEATRE PRESENTS "THE LITTLE MERMAID"

Clearview Community Theatre is proud to present "The Little Mermaid", a show for all ages, featuring all your favourite characters from the popular movie! Shows will be held Sat. Oct. 22 at 3:00 pm and 7:30 pm, Sun. Oct. 23 at 3:00 pm, Wed. Oct. 26, Thurs. Oct. 27 and Fri. Oct. 28

at 7:30 pm, and Sat. Oct. 29 at 3:00 and 7:30 pm. Please note we have moved to the GNE on Fairgrounds Road, where we are wheelchair accessible! Tickets will be on sale for \$30 per person for Premium seating, \$25 for Gold seating and \$20 for Silver seating. Tickets are available online on our website www.clearviewcommunitytheatre.ca, or visit A & D Birdseed, 1617 County Road 42, Stayner. For more information see our website at www.clearviewcommunitytheatre.ca or contact Diane Crittenden at 705-241-5009.

Stay updated, get information about your school and school board

Want to ensure you are receiving up-to-date, accurate information about what's going on at your school and our school board? Here's how:

- You can subscribe to our school's website by clicking on 'Subscribe' at the top of our school website: <http://not.scdsb.on.ca>. You can sign up to receive emails about school news updates and information during emergency situations. When you fill out your email and click Subscribe, an email will be sent to your inbox with a link to click to confirm that you want to subscribe. You can unsubscribe at any time using the link at the bottom of each email.

For Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) media releases and event information, visit the 'News' section under 'About Us' at the SCDSB's website: www.scdsb.on.ca. You can also subscribe to receive board media releases, event information and/or job postings via email by visiting www.scdsb.on.ca and clicking on 'Subscribe' at the top of the page.

- Follow the SCDSB on Twitter (@SCDSB_Schools), Facebook (facebook.com/SCDSB) and Instagram (instagram.com/scdsb) and follow our school on Twitter/Facebook/Instagram @ (include your school social media account information here if you have active accounts)

Check out our *Sharing Simcoe* blog (www.sharingsimcoe.com), where we share stories of our amazing students, staff and community members. For school bus transportation information, visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s website at: main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca. And remember to bookmark the school bus information page at: www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca for bus delay and cancellation information on inclement weather days. Notifications of bus delays can be emailed to families and students that subscribe to receive their specific bus delay notification through the SCSTC website. Subscribe here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/>.

High School information nights coming to a school near you!

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information nights happen this fall and winter. This event gives an overview of what's new, what to expect, as well as a chance to check out the school and ask questions. Attend our local high school information night to find out what's

offered: *Collingwood Collegiate Institute's info night event at 7:00-9:00 pm on January 17th, 2017.* Check out the full schedule of info nights and more information at www.scdsb.on.ca/highschool.

Message from the Health Unit: Ensure your child's immunization record is up-to-date

The Ontario Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA) requires the health unit to have up-to-date immunization records for all students attending school. According to ISPA (2014), students are required to be vaccinated against the following diseases:

- Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio and Pertussis (whooping cough)
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (must have two doses after the first birthday)
- Meningococcal Disease (must have one dose after the first birthday & Men-C-ACYW in Grade 7)
- Varicella (chickenpox) - only for those born 2010 and after

The health unit **does not** receive immunization information directly from doctor's offices. Please contact the health unit each time your child receives a vaccine from their health care provider.

What you can do:

- check your child's yellow immunization card
- contact your child's health-care provider to obtain records or get missing vaccinations
- go to <http://www.smdhu.org/immsonline> to enter the complete record, or fax a completed record to 705-726-3962

Giving back to the school community - volunteer in our school

Volunteers are an important part of what makes our school a great place to learn and grow. We value and appreciate the support of our volunteers. There are many opportunities available, including school council, breakfast clubs, reading help, assisting in the classroom or library and much more. Everyone who volunteers in a school must have a criminal record check which includes a Vulnerable Sector Screening. Please call or visit the school office for more information about opportunities available or if you'd like to volunteer!

October is International Walk to School month

Did you know that October is International Walk to School month? It is a great way for children to get their recommended 60 minutes of physical activity each day and also gives parents and staff a chance to be part of a worldwide event that celebrates the many benefits of walking. Get in on the fun and try these activities:

- Create a walking group/"bus" to and from school
- Create a fun walking challenge for your school community involving students, parents and teachers

Create and sign a Walk to School pledge. Check out the website at www.saferoutestoschool.ca for more information. You can also call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 and speak with a public health nurse or visit the health unit website at www.simcoemuskokahealth.org.

Fire Prevention Week is October 9-15: Join the Don't Wait, Check the Date Selfie Challenge

Fire Prevention Week is October 9 to 15, 2016 and local fire departments want you to join the *Don't Wait, Check the Date!* selfie challenge. Smoke alarms wear out over time and need to be replaced within the time frame indicated by the manufacturer, usually 10 years. The date of manufacture is indicated on the back of the smoke alarm and the expiry date is taken from that date. Smoke alarms are required on every floor of your home and outside all sleeping areas. Test all of your smoke alarms monthly by pushing the test button on the alarm, and replace batteries at least once a year or when the alarm's low battery signal begins to chirp. Families are challenged everyone to take a selfie of their family checking the expiry date of their smoke alarms and post it on social media using #checkthedate8. For more information about testing and replacing your smoke alarms, visit: www.ontario.ca/firemarshal.

Eye See...Eye Learn program offers free glasses for Junior Kindergarten students

The Eye See...Eye Learn program provides comprehensive eye exams by local optometrists to Junior Kindergarten students. The eye exams are covered under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) when parents show their child's health card. There is no out-of-pocket cost for the eye exam and if the child requires a pair of glasses, they will receive them free of charge from a participating optometrist. For more information, visit www.Eyeseeyearn.ca.

COOPERATION IS OCTOBER'S CHARACTER TRAIT

We work together towards shared goals and purposes.

Our QSP Magazine and Blooms Fundraiser continues until October 12th.

All money raised through this fundraising initiative will go towards offsetting the costs of fieldtrips for all students.

We ask that you do the following to assist us with this fundraiser:

1) Whenever possible, please order all items online at - <http://www.qsp.ca/3719887>

As this saves us a huge amount of paper work and sorting of orders and your magazines, prizes and other items will come much faster. You will also have access to a wider range of products to choose from. (Our Online ID# is 3719887)

2) If you are sending in paper orders, please make sure you have the student name and the correct classroom teacher name.

If you have any questions please contact the school.

We appreciate all of your support.

October 2016

not.scdsb.on.ca for all your up to date info on events/happenings

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Subs start School Council Mtg-6:30pm	4 Popcorn \$1.00 Fire Drill #2	5 Highlands Nordic-Gr4&7 Pizza	6	7	8
←FIRE PREVENTION WEEK→						
9	10 THANKS- GIVING- NO SCHOOL	11 Popcorn \$1.00	12 Regional Cross Country Pizza	13 Regional Cross Country Raindate	14 HPV & Hep B needles Rounds Ranch- Gr 1&2	15
16	17 Dairy Presentations- primary/junior Subs Regional Flag Football	18 County Cross Country Popcorn \$1.00	19 Regional Flag Football Raindate Pizza	20 County Cross Country raindate	21 PA Day-No school	22
23	24 Picture Day-Smile Subs	25 County Flag Football Popcorn \$1.00	26 Pizza Evacuation	27	28	29
30	31 Cooper- ation Assembly & purple/ orange/black day Subs	Nov 1 Bruce Trail Hike-Shaw/ Plater Popcorn \$1.00	2 Jr Boys BB & Girls VB Pizza Lockdown Drill #1	3 Jr Boys BB & Girls VB Raindate	4	5