

K.P. Manson Cougar News

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Principal's Message

September and October have flown by, and I must say it is nice getting back to some sort of normal. Thank you to everyone for their patience as we roll through the never ending changes to Covid routines and expectations.

Mid October our 6-8 students participated in Soccerfest, winning every game they played with class, teamwork and comradery. Thank you to Mr. Cook for coaching and supervising the team. Special thanks to those parents who transported the team to and from the tournament, your support means a great deal and allows our students to participate in activities we possibly wouldn't be able to if we had to charter a bus.

As a staff we have been working on our yearly school improvement and equity plan. This involves looking at school data and formulating a goal in each area. This year our goals are as follows:

Numeracy: By June, 60% of our students will have level 3 or 4 (As & Bs, or 70% or better) in Number Sense & Numeration

Literacy: By the end of the school year 60% of our students reading at grade level with or without supports

Equity: By the end of the school year, all staff have reviewed school climate data, student voice, and reflected on their own biases to assess inequities, biases and begun addressing those needs.

As a school we are always looking for feedback and encourage your support in achieving these goals. We firmly believe the most important skills children can have are to be literate, numerate and caring and contributing members of society.

Our Halloween afternoon was a huge success! Thank you to those family and community members who came out to see our parade and special thank you to the School Council for their amazing displays and treat packages!! Look for pictures on Facebook.

We welcome new driver Judy Parry to Bus 334 and thank Devon, one of Hammond's mechanics who had been filing in since the start of the school year. KP loves our bus drivers, Miss Sarah, Mr. Russ and Miss Judy!

With the weather becoming colder, please make sure your children come prepared for outside and please make sure their clothing is labeled - we already have a lot of lost and found items in our collection.

As mentioned later in the newsletter, it is essential your child's/family information is up to date, especially anything related to custody. If there is nothing on file indicating custody arrangements, we cannot prevent a parent or legal guardian from accessing their child.

Have a great November.

Sincerely,

Gail Greenfield

Please follow us on Twitter and Facebook

@KPMansonps or on our website at

www.kpm.tlds.on.ca

School Council Corner

Thank you to all the parent volunteers that helped out with our Halloween "trunk or treat" on Oct. 29th!! We had four fabulous themed stations setup:

- ◆ Farm Station
- ◆ Candyland & Frozen
- ◆ Skeletons
- ◆ Harry Potter



All children received individual goodie bags after their community costume parade. We tried to keep the treats as nutrition friendly as possible, but, added a few fun items in there as well (I mean it IS Halloween after all)!

Enjoy a few photos here and on the KP Manson Facebook page of all our big & little trick or treaters!

We are still planning for an upcoming fundraiser prior to Christmas.

If you are interested in joining the School Council or volunteering, please contact Michelle Robinson at michi_viv@hotmail.com

Volunteer police checks are required to assist with school events. Info. is available through the school office.

Character Trait for November:

Perseverance

Means sticking to it,
even when it is hard.

School Photo Order Deadline

The deadline to order school photos is **Nov. 2nd**.
Use the envelope provided to you in the photo package to return any cash orders to the school, or, order direct online through Lifetouch.

Photo retake date has not yet been confirmed. We do know they will take place in the new year, 2022!



Turn your clocks back on Nov. 7th

Daylight savings time ends on Sunday Nov. 7th. Turn clocks back one hour.

Enjoy the extra sleep!

KP Manson raised an amazing **nearly \$4000.00**

for the Terry Fox Foundation!
Way to go! Thank you so much!!



Student Info. Verification forms

We will be sending verification forms home soon, for parents to double check all details we have on file for your child(ren).

Please update all contact info. for parents & emergency contacts, pickup permissions, consent info. and custody details, so we have the most up-to-date information available to us.

If you have any new ID/court documents/medical information or changes, please contact the school office, as we need copies of any new info.

We thank you in advance for helping us keep your child's file as updated as possible.

Did you know...????

Our weekly school announcements can be viewed on the KPM website at <https://kpm.tlidsb.on.ca/> (under Quick Links/Morning Announcements)

Or, follow us on **Facebook** (KPMansonPS)

November 5-11—Veterans' Week

We honour those who have served Canada, past and present, in times of war, military conflict & peace.



Here are some ways you can remember:

1. Wear a poppy.
2. Visit a war memorial.
3. Send a letter to a veteran.
4. Observe 2 minutes of silence in honour of veterans.
5. Learn about Canadian military history.

For more ideas and info. go to:
<https://www.cbc.ca/kidscbc2/the-feed/remembrance-day>

Milk / Subs / Pizza????



We are hoping to reinstate the daily milk and special lunch days at KP Manson soon.... **HOWEVER**

as we have been directed not to collect regular cash or cheques at school, we are waiting for Covid rules to hopefully change in the near future so we can start these programs again. Stay tuned!

Meanwhile, if you would like to sign up for our online payment system, this is an easy way to pay and not worry about cash! Go to:

<https://www.tlidsb.ca/epayments/>

Help your child deal with bullying

Work with the school to help your child handle any bullying. Encourage your child to talk to you about bullying. Tell them to:

- * stay calm and walk away from the situation
- * tell an adult they trust, for example a teacher, principal, EA
- * talk about it with siblings or with friends so that they don't feel alone
- * Or call Kids Help Phone (toll-free) 1-800-668-6868

November 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	2 Photo order deadline	3	4	5
8 Indigenous Veterans Day	9	10	11 Remembrance Day	12 Progress Reports go home!
15	16	17	18	19
← Bullying Prevention Week →				
22	23	24 Parent/Teacher Interviews (by phone or Google meet)	25 PA Day	26 Board Holiday (KP office open)
29	30			