



THE STORRINGTON STAR

September at Storrington Public School

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Welcome back, everyone! We're really excited about the upcoming year.

We're welcoming several new staff. Mrs. Kuhnke is on leave and we're waiting to hear very soon about the birth of her new child. We welcome Ms. Alison Doherty who joins us from Centerville P. S. We also welcome Ms. Anita Dannenburg and Ms. Susanna Jurkowski as our French teachers. We'll miss Ms. Chung as she starts a new position at Sydenham P. S., but Mr. Ash Freeland will be teaching the Grade 6/7s. I've had the pleasure of working with Ash in other schools—he's a welcome addition to Storrington. We warmly welcome back Mr. Scott Pare from his year leave. As well, we are welcoming back Kristina Clair as our FDK ECE and our EA, Donna Morton. We will also be welcoming Tina Superville and Bonnie Beals as EAs here this year. It's a great team! Staff have been in over the summer preparing for their new classes and making sure the children are warmly welcomed. They are very dedicated and caring about our students, and their energy, enthusiasm and commitment to Storrington is contagious!

This year we will be continuing our focus on Math, and will be having a Math Week later this year. We were working with students teaching them how to self-assess their own work and how to figure out what their next steps should be in problem solving. The students have made remarkable gains over the past year and we look forward to extending their accomplishments this year.

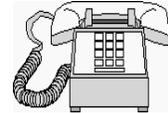
The school is spotless thanks to the efforts of our custodian Burt Burns and Mitch Hansford. They have worked hard over the summer to make sure that everything is ready for the students, and the school looks great. We thank them for making our school so welcoming and ready for the new year - especially in all the heat this year!

We look forward to seeing you at the Corn Roast and Open House on September 17. You are always welcome to share your thoughts and observations about your child - a strong home-school partnership is one of the most important success factors in a student's life.

Sue Perry

Corn Roast/Open House/School Council

Our annual Corn Roast and Open House followed by our first School Council meeting will be held on September 17. The Corn Roast will begin at 5:00. The Open House will be held from 6:00—7:00 and our first School Council meeting will begin at 6:30. It's a great night to meet friends and neighbours and to meet your child's teacher! Looking forward to seeing you there.



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Reminders:

All visitors and volunteers should sign in at the office and wear a visitor tag so that we know they have been checked in.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31	1	2 First day of school!	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Fall fair	12 Terry Fox Day	13
14	15	16	17 Com Roast/School Council	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 PA Day	27
28	29	30	31			

Volunteers

We are always looking for volunteers. If you have time that you could offer, we would love to have you! Even if you don't have time through the day, there are several jobs that can be done during the evenings.

All that's required is a CPIC, which can be obtained through the Hartingdon OPP Station. There is no cost for this. CPICs are good for three years. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know.



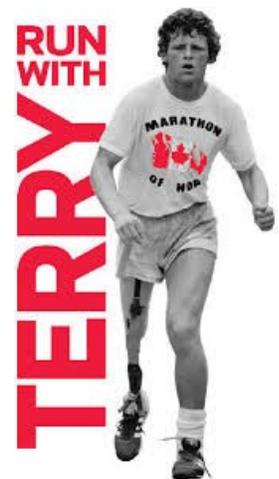
Family Fitness Nights

Our wonderful School Council has been able to secure funding to offer Family Fitness nights here at the school. For six weeks in the fall and six weeks in the winter, families are welcome to come and get fit together!



TERRY FOX

Terry Fox's Marathon of Hope will be held on September 12th at 2:30. We'll be walking with our buddies around the track. We are asking students to bring in toonies and support the fund raising to try to find a cure for cancer. Terry passed the torch to all of us, we can make a super contribution. More information will be coming home soon. Please join us if you can!



Remember!

DATES TO REMEMBER

September 26—P. A. Day

October 1 and 2—Picture Day

Learning Through Artistic Expression



All young children need to take part in forms of artistic expression. So-called “innate talent” is not required!

Young children are curious and playful. They love to explore their world through creative activities like play-acting, dancing, music and painting.

- Play-acting helps children gain the language skills needed for self-expression and learning to read and write.
- Dance, music and painting can give children a sense of identity, cultural pride and self-esteem.
- Painting and building things helps children develop mathematical and logical thinking skills.

Through the arts, children:

- learn the value of making an effort to achieve success
- are motivated to learn in other areas
- develop higher level thinking skills like
 - creativity
 - problem solving
 - critical thinking