



# THE STORRINGTON STAR

## October at Storrington Public School

OCTOBER  
2015

Dear Families,

It was wonderful seeing so many of you at our Corn Roast ! What a great start to the year! It's amazing how quickly the students have settled in, picking up where they left off and actively learning in their classes. We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our students for giving their best effort every day by arriving to school on time, being prepared to learn, and focusing on always doing their best work. We are very proud of them and their leadership, both in the class and throughout the school.

For those of you who haven't heard, our longtime Custodian, Burt Burns, has accepted a new position at the Limestone District School Board as a Maintenance Supervisor. September 25th was his last day at Storrington and we miss him already! We would like to say a HUGE thank you to Burt on behalf of the Storrington PS community and we wish him well as he begins his new job.

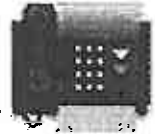
Our boys' and girls' soccer teams both had a fantastic tournament on Monday, September 28th. The girls team won the Championship! The coaches commented on the teamwork and sportsmanship that the students displayed throughout the season. Congratulations and thanks to their coaches, Mr. Wray, Ms. Collins and Mme. Dannenburg. We have a dedicated group of athletes on the cross-country team who have been training hard and have already competed in the Sydenham Eagle Run. Their next race is the District race at Fort Henry on October 6th. Thank you to their coach, Mr. Pare. Volleyball is just beginning this week.

The Thanksgiving weekend is quickly approaching and at Storrington we have so much to be grateful for. We hope that you have a wonderful holiday and enjoy the time with your family and friends!

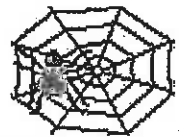
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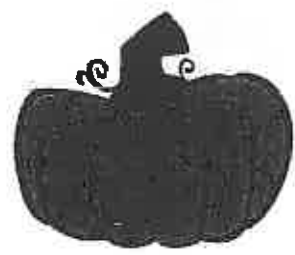
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**Reminders:**

All visitors and volunteers should sign in at the office and wear a visitor tag so that we know you are in the building.

**Battersea Pumpkinfest**

A reminder that October 3 is the annual Battersea Pumpkinfest Festival. Come out and enjoy the day and our student work that will be on display! Many thanks to the organizers for this great event.



## PARENT COUNCIL NEWS

Elections for the 2015-16 Parent Council executive were held on September 23rd. The results are: Parent Council Chair: Kim Clark; Treasurer: Sarah Kauffman; Secretary: Abby Gauthier, Michelle Watson; Communications: Abby Gauthier.

The Parent Council is organizing a "Back to the Future" fund raising dance for our school on October 16, 2015. The dance will be held at the Lion's Club Hall. Hold the date!

Thank you to all of the families who came out for the Corn Roast! It was a beautiful evening!

We are inviting everyone to a Garden Renewal to clean up the school gardens before winter comes. We are meeting on Sunday, October 4 at 10:00 am. Please bring your own gloves and gardening tools.

*Just a reminder to please review and return your data identification forms to the office so that we can update our student information. Also, please sign and return the Computer Use Agreement and the Release of Information forms. Thank you.*



**Melina Demone is offering music lessons again at the school this year. If you are interested in your child taking lessons through the school day, please contact Melina at 613-544-5494.**

## Roots of Empathy

We are pleased to offer Roots of Empathy to our Grade 1 class this year, led by Deb Fiemer. At the heart of the program are a neighbourhood infant and parent who visit the classroom nine times over the school year. Deb, as a trained Roots of Empathy Instructor, coaches the students to observe the baby's development and to label the baby's feelings and intentions. The baby is the 'Teacher' and the instructor guides the children to identify and reflect on their own feelings and the feelings of others. The focus of this programme is on raising levels of empathy, resulting in more respectful and caring relationships and reducing levels of bullying and aggression.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

October 12—Thanksgiving Monday

October 29—Grade 7 & 8 Immunizations

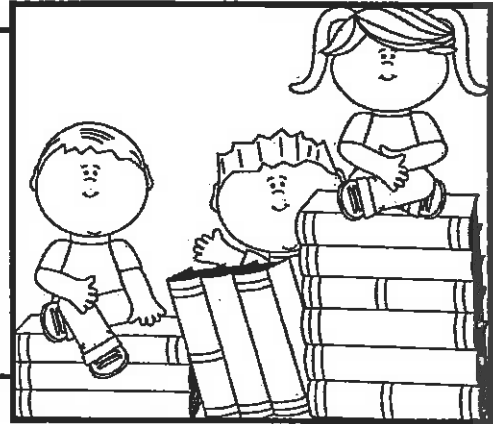
October 30—Black and Orange Day

## MAGAZINE FUNDRAISER

The school is holding it's annual QSP Magazine Fundraiser again this year. Please save your subscription renewals until October 20th! Any funds raised from this will be put towards agendas, student activities and bringing arts events to the school.

## BOOK FAIR

The Book Fair is coming during the week of November 23rd. Great for Christmas shopping!



Matt Bellace, Ph.D.  
Psychologist & Comedian presents

### Natural Highs: Supporting Teens in Making Healthy Choices

Free Parent Event

Tuesday, October 20, 2015  
7:00 p.m.

LEVI Cafeteria—158 Van Order Dr., Kingston  
All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.



It's not enough to ask young people to stay away from drugs and alcohol.



# Reading Tips

for parents of young children



**Help children become strong readers through sharing books at home!**

## **Parent Book Sharing Checklist:**







- Read together every day (even after your child has begun to read on their own).
- Continually introduce new words to your child and practice using them throughout the day.
- Read with fun in your voice. Let your child know you enjoy reading together.
- Be interactive with your child as you read. Talk about the pictures, ideas, problems, and feelings in the book.
- Point to and talk about print (e.g. letters, words, speech bubbles, punctuation marks) to help your child understand how print works.
- If you have concerns about your child's vision, hearing, or speech, talk to the child's teacher and doctor right away. These abilities impact reading skills.

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# OCTOBER 2015



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	1 Terry Fox Run	2	3 Pumpkin Festival!
4	5 Vision Screening SK and Gr. 1 	6 Cross Country Meet at Old Fort Henry Bus Patrolter Training Student Vote Week	7 	8 	9 Hot Lunch: Taco Wrap	10
11	12 THANKSGIVING MONDAY (No school today)	13	14 Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30	15	16 Hot Lunch: Pizza 	17
18	19	20 Magazine Fund- raising Beglnsl Assembly at 10 in the gym.	21 	22	23 Hot Lunch: Chicken Wraps	24
25	26 	27	28	29 Grade 7/8 Immunizatoions	30 Orange & BlackDay Hot Lunch: Subs	

**STORRINGTON LIONS HALL  
PRESENTS**

**BACK  
TO THE FUTURE**



**A Totally 80s Dance  
Friday October 16 2015**

**Tickets \$10    Doors Open at 8pm    Event 19+**

**Music By Kybry Sounds  
Fundraiser for Storrington Public School**

Storrington Public School – Parent Council

“Back to the Future” 80s dance.

October 16 8pm-1am \$10 per person

For tickets call John Beskers 613 353 1438 or Christie Jones 613 876 1009.

Also to help with the fundraiser we are asking parents to donate an item for the following baskets.

Grades K-3 (primary) – Rainy Day Movie Basket with books and games

Grades 4-6 (junior) – Cookies and Baking Basket

Grades 7-8 (intermediate) – Relaxation and Spa Basket

Please have your items in by October 14<sup>th</sup>.

Help support our Storrington Stingers.

