

WOODY'S NEWS

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Day 1

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Dates To Remember

October 20th & 21st - PEITF Annual Convention (No classes)
October 24th - 28th - Book Fair
October 26th - Picture Retake Day
October 27th - Parent Teacher Interviews - after school/evening
October 28th - Parent Teacher Interviews - no classes
October 31st - Spooktacular
November 2nd - Newsletter
November 5th - Fall Clean-up of Garden and Grounds
November 7th - Ordering Food Online
November 10th - PD Day (no classes)
November 11th - Remembrance Day (no classes)

Sherwood Newsletter

In an effort to be environmentally friendly, we are asking parents who have access to a computer to please read the newsletter online. It is posted on our website every second Wednesday. Only people who don't have an email address will receive a paper copy. You will receive an email with the link to our newsletter when it is available.

Student Drop Off/Pick Up

The Cody Banks parking lot is the designated pick up/drop off area. There is a stairway at the back of the lot where students can safely cross over to our parking lot. For safety reasons, parents please do not drop off or pick up students on Maple Avenue or the school's parking lot. **Pine Drive is not a designated drop off location and is extremely dangerous for students. The school parking lot that leads on to Pine Drive is an exit only.** Students should be in the building by 8:30 a.m. in order to prepare for the beginning of class at 8:40 a.m. Outdoor supervision begins at 8:05 am.

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Woody's News is published on a bi-weekly basis.

Food Services

Please do not order pizza or ice cream for next Friday, October 28th as there is no school for parent teacher interviews.

If your child is ordering a sub, a Subway order form must be filled out for your child. There are still several students coming with Subway checked on their food order form but no Subway form attached. Subway will not accept pieces of paper, a proper Subway form must be in the ziplock baggie with the order or your child will not be able to get Subway.

Both food order forms and Subway forms are available online on our website at www.edu.pe.ca/sherwood.

Menu Options

Monday - No food Services
Tuesday - Subway
Wednesdays - October 26th Burger Combo, November - Pancake Combo (starting Nov 2nd)
Thursdays - October 27th - Spaghetti November - Soft Taco Wrap (starting Nov 3rd)
Friday - Domino's pizza

Please Note: Borrowed Kitchen Menu will change each month and will offer different choices for Wednesdays and Thursdays.

On Line Food Ordering

Watch for information being sent home next week regarding ordering food services online! We are very excited with this additional support.

Food Drive

Thank you to all who sent in non-perishable food items for our Thanksgiving Food Drive. The items were presented to the Food Bank at our Thanksgiving Assembly. A big thank you to our guest speaker, The Honourable Barbara Hagerman.

Eastern School District Brochure

The ESD Message to Parents re Families of Schools, Mission Statement, etc. can be found at www.edu.pe.ca/esd/pdf/1112districtbrochure.pdf.

Picture Retakes

Picture retake day will be on Wednesday, October 26th.

Library News

A Book Fair will be held in the school library from Monday October 24th to Friday, October 28th. Classes will have scheduled times on Monday and Tuesday to look at the items they wish to consider for purchasing. On Wednesday and Thursday, times will be made available for students who wish to purchase items. The Book Fair will also be open during Parent-Teacher Interviews on Thursday evening and Friday. All proceeds will go towards purchasing materials for the school library.

Breakfast Program

The Breakfast Program is going very well. The program operates from Monday-Friday from 8:10 am-8:35 am. If school is delayed Breakfast Program will be cancelled. Students will have the option to have a slice of toast, fruit and juice or milk.. We ask any parents or community members who are interested in volunteering to contact Home & School at homeandschool@hotmail.com.

The Breakfast Program operates on a donation basis. Parents and community members are encouraged to donate the following items: jars of jam, disposable cups, napkins, margarine, fruit, apple juice. These items can be sent to homeroom teachers who will ensure they get to the program.

School Fundraiser

The orders have been sent to the supplier and the school should receive the orders soon.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Our first set of Parent Teacher Interviews will be held after school and evening on Thursday, October 27th and all day on Friday, October 28th. Interview appointment times will be sent home in the near future. **There will be no school for students on Friday, October 28th.**

Lost and Found

During Parent Teacher Interviews, parents will have an opportunity to check for lost items as we will have tables set up displaying lost and found.

Cross Country Running

Congratulations to the Prenovice Boys and Novice Girls teams who participated in the Provincial Cross Country Running Championships on Saturday, October 15th at Mill River Provincial Park. Team members include:

PreNovice Boys (PNB)

Kyle Connell, Tyler Heggie, Nicholas Smith, Julien Jones, David Drake, Adam MacKenzie and Mitchell MacDonald

Novice Girls (NG)

Samantha Silliphant, Robyn Gallant, Laura Davison, Rory Aitken, Olivia MacLeod and Cassidy Hughes

Special Congratulations to Kyle Connell and Tyler Heggie who finished 2nd and 7th respectively, and the entire PNB team who finished 2nd overall - an amazing performance. Once again, congratulations to all runners - **You Represented Sherwood Well!**

Halloween - Spooktacular

Our annual Halloween Spooktacular will take place in the gymnasium on Monday, October 31st. All students participate in this fun-filled activity. Please do not send in treats to your child's class on the 31st unless the teacher has specifically requested them. We have a number of students who are severely anaphylactic to peanuts/nuts and this is a safety issue. Thank you for your cooperation.

Literacy Bits for Parents

Part of reading is understanding what is happening and anticipating what will come next. Having a great imagination helps. The following are great ways to help your child develop his/her imagination:

- Start with stories you know, and imagine what happens later, after the story has finished. Have your kids imagine themselves in these stories.
- Write down WHO, WHAT, WHEN, WHERE, WHY on a piece of paper, and add answers to these questions as you try to create the plot for a story, which you can then make up together.
- Make up stories about the people you see around you - passing by in cars, walking in the street, waiting at the bus stop.

Garden Supervision

We are pleased to have had several parents volunteer to help supervise at noon in our school garden. Unfortunately, we have not yet been able to get the garden properly prepared and this has meant we have had to delay the opening. Parents, please mark your calendars for Sat, Nov 5th for our annual fall clean-up of the garden and grounds! More information will follow.

Kindergarten Registration Week

Please note that registration for the 2012-2013 school year will take place the week of **November 14-18th**. Students who will be 5 years of age by December 31st, 2011 are eligible to begin school in September 2012.

After School Programs

After School Soccer Club for Grades 5 & 6 started on Friday, October 14th and will end on December 16th. It is held from 2:45 - 3:45 rain or shine. Grade 6 started Oct 14th and Grade 5 starts Oct 27th. Permission forms have been sent home and must be returned to Mr. Foster in order for your child to participate.

Community News

After School Skate

There will be a free after school skate at Cody Banks every Tuesday from 3:00-3:45 pm. Please note that helmets are mandatory.

PEI Youth Soccer Player Development Program

The ACADEMY is a youth soccer player development program designed for players born between 2000 and 2007. This soccer program is offered to boys and girls of all abilities and is coached by top instructors from across the Island. The first program will begin Nov 7th and run for 7 weeks at a cost of \$65.00 at the PEI Soccer Complex. For more information or to register visit www.peisoccer.com.

Kidsport and Jumpstart Programs

Funding for children aged 4 to 18 who wish to participate in organized sport teams or recreational activities is available from KidSport PEI for families with a financial need. The fund will provide up to \$250 per child for registration fees and equipment. Organized sports include swimming lessons, as well as team sports. The Canadian Tire Jumpstart program provides funding for many options including: recreation department programs, swim passes, dance gym memberships, bowling, Girl Guides and Boy Scout programs. If you would like an application form please call Sport PEI at 358-4110 or contact the school counsellor, Donna Clarke.

Coping with Learning Disabilities and ADD/ADHD

The Learning Disabilities Association of PEI is pleased to offer an Island-wide accessible service for PEI caregivers, **Strategies for Caregivers: Coping with Learning Disabilities and ADD/ADHD**. This program has been created in compassionate response to the needs of the many PEI parents and caregivers of children and/or adults with learning disabilities and ADHD who tirelessly support and love their children through many challenging experiences at school, at home or in the community.

If you would like more information about the **Strategies for Caregivers Program** or if you would like to book an appointment to see how we can best meet your individual needs, please contact Marilyn Balderston, Program Counsellor at 621-2229 or email at marilynldapei@eastlink.ca.

