

Souris Consolidated School

Newsletter

Tuesday, October 18, 2011

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Food Drive for Souris Food Bank

During the week of Oct. 3-7 students in all grades donated items for the Souris Food Bank. The total number of items collected was 1070! The class with the most donations was Grade 5A. Thank you to everyone who so generously gave donations.

Hot Lunch Program

Please remember that student hot lunch orders need to be placed on Monday of each week for the week. Students will receive their order form each Thursday for the upcoming week. Milk and juice will be available each day.

Halloween Activities

On Monday, October 31st students and staff will be participating in some Halloween fun as we begin our afternoon with a costume parade for grades K-6 in the gym beginning at 12:45 pm. Following the parade students will be participating in some fun activities planned and organized by our grade 7 leadership/social committee. Please join us on Monday afternoon.

D.A.R.E

We are again very pleased to be able to offer the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program to our grade 5 students. The program runs approximately 10 weeks and will begin on Tuesday, Nov. 1. Instructors for this year will be Cst. Luanne MacQuaid and Cst. Janice Hebb.

Recycling Project

Grade 7B has started a recycling program as part of their Social Studies class. They will be donating the money that is made to different charities each month (including The Humane Society, snack program and the local food bank). Any students who would like to bring in extra recyclables from home to contribute can do so and put them in their class bin. Thanks so much.

Cross Country

On Tuesday, Oct. 11, 85 students from grades 3-7 traveled to Southern Kings Consolidated to participate in inter-scholastic cross country and on Saturday, Oct 15 several students traveled to Mill River to participate in the Provincials. Congratulations to all participants who represented our school so well.

School Supply Fees

We still have not received all school supply fees for students in grades K-4. Fees are \$35.00 per child or \$50.00 per family. If you are unsure as to whether you have submitted your payment, please call the school and check with Maggie (687-7140). Thank you.

Anti-Bully Art Work Students Against Violence Everywhere

National S.A.V.E. Day is Wednesday, October 19th. S.A.V.E. is a well know student group that promotes and educates students and adults about bullying. This year the students of Souris Consolidated were given the opportunity to make posters that represent the S.A.V.E vision which says that "Schools and communities will be safer and more secure, free of fear, and conducive to learning as a result of students being actively involved in meaningful violence prevention" The art work was turned into a patch work quilt and displayed in the school's lobby. Staff are very proud of the great job that students did and we encourage all those that visit to stop and look at the positive messages the students created through art and words. Fantastic job students, and remember...it's better to be a buddy than to be a bully!

Literacy Bits

Every home has resources (print materials, measuring devices, tools and implements of various kinds) that can be used to devise activities that will further children's learning in language, mathematics, and science. With younger children, you can turn regular household chores into opportunities for learning. Here are some ideas.

You could ask children to:

- Read recipes, measure ingredients, compare foods, and learn new words such as names of spices;
- Sort items of clothing for the laundry according to colour, read washing instructions, measure detergent, and time wash cycles;
- Write shopping lists, compare prices, make change, and identify and classify food items;
- Sort pictures for photo albums, write labels or captions for each photo, and write a newspaper article about a photo;
- Sort items in a "junk drawer", label them, and arrange them alphabetically.

Dates To Remember:

- Thurs., Oct 20 PEITF Annual Convention NO Classes
- Fri., Oct. 21 PEITF Annual Convention NO Classes
- Fri. Oct 28 Photo Retakes
- Thurs. Nov. 10 Provincial PD Day NO Classes
- Fri. Nov. 11 Remembrance Day NO School
- Thurs. Nov. 17 Interviews evening
- Fri. Nov. 18 Interviews am, PD pm NO Classes

Community Bulletins:

- **Souris Minor Basketball.** Registration for Souris Minor Basketball will be Saturday October 29th @ 10:00 at Souris High School. If sufficient interest, two groups will be formed Grade 1 to 3 and Grade 4 to 6 at a cost of \$50 per child. Kids would receive a kit from Steve Nash Basketball program including a shirt and a basketball. Currently there are NO coaches. If you are interested in volunteering as a Coach or as an Assistant for bursary hours please contact Brian Deveau @ 687-2709. Program runs on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings. **If no coaches come forward then for the first time in 20+ years there will be no Minor Basketball for the Souris area.**
- **“Souris Show Hall”** presents The Mike Pendergast and Avonlea Show Band in concert on Sunday, October 23rd at 8:00 pm. Admission \$12.00
- **PAINTING WITH DENY CLOUTIER:** You are invited to attend – Painting with Deny Cloutier on Thursday Oct. 20th and October 21st at 6:30 P.M. at St. Mary’s Hall. New painting each night – finished and framed! Everything provided. Total cost is \$65.00. Host: Joanne Dunphy