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## **SLPS e-News September 15th 2017**

What a fantastic first two weeks we have had at SLPS! Thank you for your help in supporting your child's transition back to school. Establishing consistent routines in the first few weeks of school helps to develop learning skills and sets the stage for a positive school year.

### **Terry Fox Walk**



On September 28<sup>th</sup>, our school will come together to take part in a Terry Fox walk. The school-wide activity will take place in the afternoon from 1:40 pm-2:20pm and will enable us to come together to keep Terry Fox's memory alive for our students and carry on his message of hope. We will be accepting a donation of a **TOONIE for TERRY** throughout the week. Funds collected will be donated to the Terry Fox organization on behalf of the SLPS community. You may also wish to make an online donation directly using the following link

<http://www.terryfox.ca/StephenLeacockPSKanataON> **Any parents wishing to join us and available to volunteer at the various stations are asked to meet Mr. Alexander at 1:15pm in the front foyer on the day of the event.**

### **Fire Safety Drills @ SLPS.**

Students and teachers have been reviewing fire safety procedures and we held our first fire safety drill today. This is a great opportunity to talk about fire safety at home and review your family's fire safety plan.

### **Meet the Teacher Evening**

Mark your calendars- The SLPS "**meet the teacher open house**" will take place on Thursday **September 28th from 4:00pm-6:00pm**. We hope you will be able to join us. Staff will be available to meet with you to share some general information about the classroom including curriculum expectations, routines and general learning activities for the upcoming year.

### **VERIFICATION FORMS**

*This week, we sent home several documents. Please review and return to the school ASAP*

*All students Kinder to grade 6 received:*

1. **STUDENT VERIFICATION SHEET**
  2. **APPROPRIATE USE OF TECHNOLOGY FORM**
  3. **MEDIA PERMISSION FORM**
- ❖ *Junior students also received an **extra curricular sports consent form this week**. We ask you to please complete it and return it to school. The information will help us prevent injuries and keep all participants safe. In order to ensure that we continue to have current information throughout the school year, **we will return the form for review / update every time a junior student signs up to participate in an extra curricular sporting activity at the school.***

### ***A message from our SLPS School Council***

Check out the Stephen Leacock PS School Council website at <https://slpsparentcouncil.com/> and sign up to receive messages about Council information and events. We also encourage everyone to come out to our monthly meetings or volunteer to help out. You'll get to meet other parents and hear first-hand from the teachers and administrators about what's happening at the school. Council's first meeting is on Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 7:00pm and then the third Tuesday of every month. This year's first meeting and elections will take place on Tuesday September 19th 2017 at 7pm in the SLPS library.

We look forward to seeing you there!

### ***Lunch Programs for Term 1 – Pizza Days and The Lunch Lady***

School Council is running lunch programs again this year, available to all students from kindergarten to grade 6. Pizza Days are Thursdays.

Term 1 orders must be placed by Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 at [www.sagoto.com/slps/lunch](http://www.sagoto.com/slps/lunch). Pizza days run from **Sept. 28, 2017 to Jan. 25, 2018**. Our supplier is Gabriel Pizza. The Lunch Lady offers a variety of nutritious meals delivered to the school. The Lunch Lady days are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. You can view the full menu and order on a per-day basis at [thelunchlady.ca](http://thelunchlady.ca). For any questions, please contact the Council at [council.slps@gmail.com](mailto:council.slps@gmail.com).

### ***A message from the OCDSB International Languages program:***

The OCDSB International Languages program will offer a Spanish after school program for grades 1-6 every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 4:00 at Stephen Leacock. The program will start on Sept. 26 2017 and end on June 14 2018.

The program is delivered through the International Languages program of the Ottawa Carleton District School Board. Students who wish to participate in the program must complete the attached registration form and bring it with them on the first day of classes. **THE SCHOOL OFFICE WILL NOT BE COLLECTING FORMS or FEES. THEY ARE TO BE GIVEN TO THE PROGRAM STAFF ON SEPTEMBER 26<sup>th</sup>. There will be a one time only activity fee of \$20.00 for consumable items collected by the instructors on the first day of classes.** PLEASE MAKE A CHEQUE PAYABLE TO: Ottawa Carleton District School Board

Please note: Children registered in the After School Program cannot register for the same language on Saturdays with any school board. If you require additional information about the program, please email [maria.ioannou-makraks@ocdsb.ca](mailto:maria.ioannou-makraks@ocdsb.ca)

***Please be sure to inform your child's teacher and the school office OF ANY CHANGES TO DISMISSAL AND TRANSPORTATION AS A RESULT of REGISTRATION IN THIS PROGRAM***

#### ***Looking Ahead***

- **September 19<sup>th</sup> 2017:** Last Day for online Pizza orders for grades 1-6
- **September 19<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm :** SLPS Parent Council meeting in the library.
- **September 28<sup>th</sup> 2017:** Mark your calendars- **Meet the teacher Open house 4pm-6pm**
- **September 29<sup>th</sup> 2017:** PLEASE REVIEW AND RETURN SCHOOL DOCUMENTS SENT HOME LAST WEEK on or BEFORE SEPTEMBER 29<sup>th</sup> 2017:
- ***A message from our librarian:*** Parent Volunteer Needed to laminate materials for staff once a week for one to two hours, you may choose the day and time. If you are interested, please email Mme Poirier at [monique.poirier@ocdsb.ca](mailto:monique.poirier@ocdsb.ca)