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SLPS e-News September 29th 2017

This week at SLPS

It is hard to believe that we have now come to the end of our first month of school. Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us for this week's Meet the Teacher Open House. Your involvement and support of school initiatives is much appreciated.



Terry Fox Walk

We had a lovely cool day for our school-wide Terry Fox walk. Thank you to the many parent volunteers who were able to join us. Funds collected this week will be donated to the Terry Fox organization on behalf of the SLPS community. **MERCI!** You may still make an online donation at <http://www.terryfox.ca/StephenLeacockPSKanataON>

Congratulations to Mme Montemurro's grade 2A class

They have been awarded '**Mr. Steve's Golden Dustpan Award**' for their participation in our school's waste reduction program for the month of September.

Community Partners

Constable Paul McCormack is our school's resource officer. He is an important community partner that supports our school and students by building healthy and trusting relationships with children of all ages and backgrounds by becoming a familiar presence in their school experiences. This week he dropped by and spent some time speaking to students in Kinder C.



A message from SLPS School Council

School Council elections were held at the first meeting, on September 19th, and the results are as follows:

2017-2018 Stephen Leacock School Council Executive:

Co-chair: Annabel Lee

Co-chair: Tricia Gheorghe

Treasurer: Winnie Mui

Secretary: Julie Pitre

Communications: Teisha Gaylard

Volunteer Co-ordinator: Fiona Wirtanen

Ottawa-Carleton Assembly of School Councils (OCASC) representative: **vacant**

Thank-you to all the SLPS Council members and volunteers who contributed their time to fundraising and helping run events last year. School Council is open to all parents and guardians of children attending SLPS. If you were unable to attend last week's meeting, but are interested in joining, you may contact the council to indicate your interest at council.slps@gmail.com. The SLPS Council is always appreciative of volunteers in planning and running events.

SLPS Council Walk to School Day New DATE! Thursday OCTOBER 19th 2017

International Walk to School Month is an annual global event taking place each October. Communities and schools are using WALK to School Day as the first step to change community culture and to create options for getting to and from school. Walk to School Day is a great way to meet up with other families from our school while supporting physical activity, safe walking routes and community involvement – what could be better!

Stephen Leacock School Council will be hosting a Walk to School Day on Thursday, October 19th from 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM Join in with your family!

Looking Ahead:

Oct 1st 2017 OSTA begins processing Empty Seat Applications

<http://www.ottawaschoolbus.ca/policies-procedures/empty-seat-seat-availability-provision-2/>

Reminders regarding the Empty Seat Application:

*Each application is emailed to emptyseat@ottawaschoolbus.ca or faxed to 613-224-8840. **Parents will receive notification regarding seat assignments either from their child's school or via the Bus Planner Parent Web Portal, after October 1.** Please do not put your child on a bus until the empty seat has been granted and their name appears on a driver's manifest. Empty seats will not be assigned until after October 1 of the school year to allow sufficient time to determine the load counts on school buses and the actual number of empty seats that may be available.*

October 2nd&3rd 2017 -Junior Tier 3 Soccer Tournament @ Langstaff park (Oct 2 Boys/ Oct 3 Girls)

October 4th &5th 2017 -Junior Tier 1 Soccer Tournament @ Langstaff park (Oct 5 Boys/ Oct 4 Girls)

Oct 6th2017- PA Day No school

Oct 9th 2017-Thanksgiving Holiday No school

October 12th 2017- Photo Day!

October 19th 2017- SLPS WALK TO SCHOOL DAY 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM