

# **Robertson School**

"A community of learners - working together"

**Business Name** 

# OCTOBER 2024



#### A message from Administration...

September flew by and October is already here! Thank you for picking up your child promptly in their designated outdoor areas 3:25pm.

We are so excited to showcase some of our classrooms each month in our Newsletter. Staff and students are always excited to share their learning with others. Each class will be featured at least three times within the school year. We look forward to hearing about their engaging learning.

Students also participated in the Terry Fox Run around the perimeter of the school in the rain and learned about the life story and success of Terry Fox. They all did a great job following safely when crossing the roads with adults. Our school raised \$ 106.50 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Bravo!!

Students at Robertson recognized and observed September 27th for the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation. We hope that each family will celebrate on September 30th. We all went on a community walk and shared information with the community about National Day of Truth and Reconciliation as well as Every Child Matters. We are proud of how our students and staff exemplified great spirit and respect during their walk.

This month we are looking forward to having our first pumpkin carving night in October 24th. Forms for this event need to be in by Oct 11th. We hope to see you all at the event.

Please remember to book at an appointment ahead of time if you need to meet with a teacher or administration at the school.

Thank you for staying safe and we wish you a very happy upcoming Thanksgiving!

Jude Guzzi Principal Alison Petrelli Vice-Principal



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER				
October 4	Litterless Lunch			
October 9	Professional Development NO CLASSES			
October 14	Thanksgiving Day NO CLASSES			
October 25	Professional Development NO CLASSES			
November 1	Professional Development NO CLASSES			
November 8	Litterless Lunch			
November 11	Remembrance Day NO CLASSES			
November 21	EARLY DISMISSAL at 2:55 pm Parent Teacher Conferences			
November 22	Parent Teacher Conferences NO CLASSES			



#### ~ATTENDANCE~ SAFE ARRIVAL

**Before** the bell time of the current day, call **1-855-278-4513** or visit

https://go.schoolmessenger.ca to report your student's absence or late arrival. An automated system will call out if your child is not in their classrooms by the 9:00am & 1:00pm to check in for attendance.







Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	Day 2 1 Bus Ridership A.M.	Day 3 2  PBIS  Assembly 2:30 pm	Day 4 3	Day 5 4  Litterless  Lunch
Day 6 7	Day 1 8	Day 2 9  NO SCHOOL IN-SERVICE	Day 3 10  Grade 6  Immunizations	Day 4 11
THANKSGIVING NO SCHOOL	Day 5 15	Day 6 16	Day 1 17	Day 2 18
Day 3 21	Day 4 22	Day 5 23	Day 6 24	Day 1 25  NO SCHOOL IN-SERVICE
Day 2 28	Day 3 29	Day 4 30 Spirit Week	Day 5 31  Halloween	



Once again Robertson school was excited to participate in the Terry Fox School run. For more than 3 decades, Robertson school has helped raise money for the Terry Fox Foundation and on September 13, 2024, Robertson school ran once more around the school neighborhood to show their support. Terry never quit on his dream of a world without cancer. With the help of all Robertson students and staff, they did their part in support of cancer research while building fantastic school spirit! Congratulations to everyone for supporting our school's fight against cancer and showing a no-quit attitude in honour of Terry.



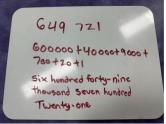
#### **News From Room 102!!**

We have been enjoying building our classroom community through many stem challenges and Morning meetings to get to know you games.

#### **English:**

In reading we are starting to explore the author's point of view in the books we read. We are starting our informational writing which we will connect to our space exploration in Science.





#### Math:

In Math students have been working on exploring their place value understanding. We are working on expanding numbers such as 1234 = 1000+200+30+4 up to a million. Writing numbers in standard form when told the number in words. As well as writing a number using words to explain the number's place value.

#### Science:

Students are learning about the Solar System. We are exploring different planets, moons, how to survive in space and many more things. Students will be zooming in on a specific planet for their own inquiry projects to share in front of the class.

**Social Studies:** We are learning about the building of our nation from the year 1867-1914. We will be exploring topics such as the British North America Act, Treaties in Canada, Residential schools, Louis Riel and many more interesting topics.

#### **Room 101**

This month, the students of room 101 have been engaged in a variety of exciting activities that support their physical, emotional, and intellectual well-being and growth.



In the mornings, we've introduced yoga sessions to help students start their day with calmness and focus. The students have really embraced these moments of mindfulness, learning to stretch, breathe, and center themselves. Yoga not only helps them improve flexibility and balance but also teaches the importance of mental relaxation and stress relief.



The budding scientist and engineers have been diving into hands-on STEM activities. From building the largest balloon tower to relying on teamwork to design and construct the tallest tower. These challenges spark curiosity, creativity, and teamwork, providing a foundation for critical thinking that will serve them well in the future.



Taking math outdoors has also been a hit with students this month. We've brought problem-solving activities outside using colorful chalk to draw out problems and equations. Collaborating in the fresh air has sparked even greater enthusiasm for learning, while also making math more tangible and approachable.

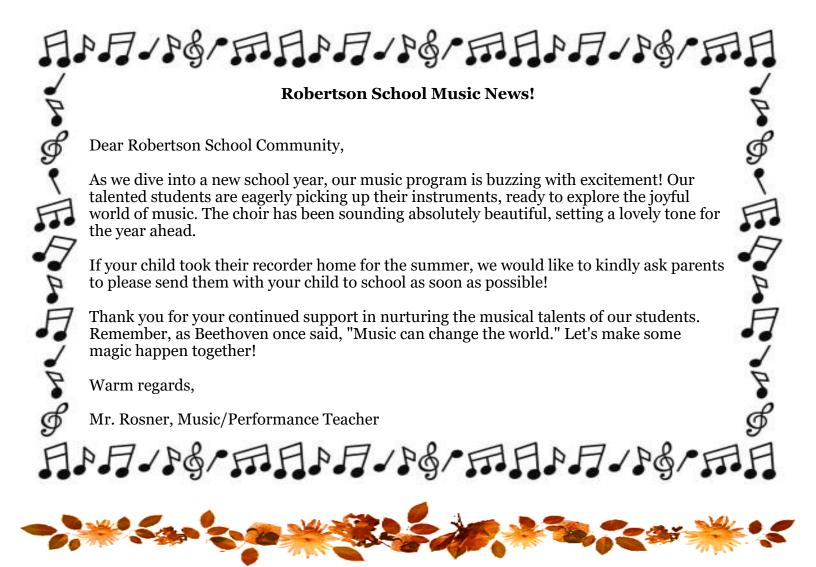






It has been a fantastic month of growth, learning, and creativity. We are excited to continue our learning and exploration journey throughout the school year.





# **Peace From The Perspective of Sustainability**



Students of the Education for Sustainable Development committee (ESD) began to explore what peace looks like to them personally, in their local community, and from a global perspective. Peace can take many forms from cultivating inner peace and fostering friendships to ensuring equitable access to natural resources and preventing future wars.

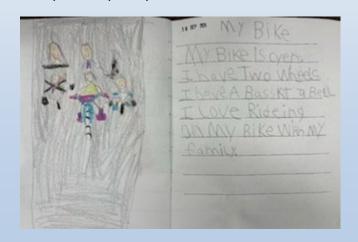
Fostering and sustaining peace is something the ESD committee has identified as important and would like the Robertson School community to begin thinking and talking about. The ESD committee would like to know what individuals of the community do to contribute to a sustainably peaceful society. Share your actions of peace on social media using the hashtags, #peacebeginswithme and #peaceandsustainability.

#### Room 153 Gr. 1/2

The children have done a wonderful job of adjusting back to school and they are settling well into our daily routines. We are lucky to have Ms. Terry, our classroom Educational Assistant who is currently working with us in the morning and Ms. Crystal who monitors the children while they eat their lunch.

September flew by as we worked on familiarizing classroom routines, established new friends and opened up our minds to creativity by writing poems and letters and creating art. The students learned about the famous painter Wassily Kandinsky who was known for his painting of concentric circles, and they used his inspiration to create their own piece.

In October, we look forward to digging deeper into the theme of Connecting with Ourselves and Our Families and our Cultural Ties of Who We Are. October is always an exciting month to celebrate. We will be having a classroom Halloween party in the afternoon on Thursday, October 31st. October will be a month of jam packed learning and some silly and spooky fun!!









#### **Welcome to Room 150!**

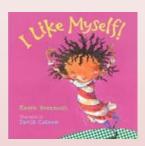
We're off to a great start in room 150, and I'm excited to share that the students are adjusting well to our daily routines. They've been actively participating, showing enthusiasm, and settling into the flow of the school day.

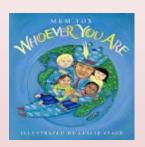
#### Home-to-School Courier bag and folder

As part of keeping communication strong, please remember to check your child's **Home-to-School courier bag and folder** daily. Important information, forms, and classwork will be sent home regularly as well as posted on Seesaw. Your attention to this is greatly appreciated as it helps ensure that nothing important is missed.

### Connecting reading and art

We have been reading books about self esteem, diverse childhoods, and the essential things that make us all the same. Students then had a fantastic time painting **self-portraits**! It was wonderful to see their creativity shine as they expressed themselves through art.











It's clear that the students are excited about being here, learning, and making new friends. We look forward to seeing them grow academically and socially throughout the year.





Thank you for your continued support, and as always, feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Warm regards, Mrs. Sylvester

## Room 135 Kindergarten

Both morning and afternoon classes have had a busy start to the year! We are participating in lots of learning activities to practice letters, letter sounds, and math concepts like number recognition, subitizing familiar arrangements on fingers, dice and five/ten frames, and reading/discussing books every day. We are also working on building relationships and social skills through play and are having lots of fun making new friends!









We are learning about changes that happen in nature and have participated in discussions, nature walks with learning buddies, and art activities related to the changes we are noticing as summer turns to fall.









All in all, it's been a fantastic start to the school year!

Information regarding Voluntary Student Accident Insurance from Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada are now available. Those parents/guardians with an active email address should have received the information via School Messenger. Printed copies of the brochure are available through the school office if requested.

#### The Den

Things are off and running in The Den this school year! We are very excited to have had all classrooms come by for fun and learning. Its been great to see the students using the space to support what their minds and bodies need.

In recognition of National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, all classrooms participated in learning about Orange Shirt Day and residential schools through reading books and watching videos. Each student wrote or drew a picture of why they matter on an orange strip of paper to create a whole school paperchain! Students also added ideas to our plexiglass titled "At School EVERY CHILD deserves to feel...", located in the hallway for everyone to see and be reminded about the message of Orange Shirt Day, EVERY CHILD MATTERS.

We are excited for our continued learning and exploration in The Den!

Ms. Marnie, Ms. Nicole, Ms. Sherry, Ms. Kjear









