
Connaught Community



News

From the desk of the Vice Principal, Tonya Lehman:

Welcome to fall. I hope that everyone is getting back into routine and enjoyed the beautiful weather in September. It was nice to have such warm days to end summer. For those of you who were able to attend Blue Mountain and/or Meet the Staff Night we would like to say thank-you for your support. For anyone who was unable to make it to one of these events feel free to come into the school and introduce yourself to the staff or check the calendar for some exciting upcoming events. October 14-20 is Education Week and there will be events planned that include family members. Be sure to watch for the bright green sheets that come home in your child's backpack that inform you of all the exciting events. We hope to see you involved in some of the upcoming family activities.



With fall here so is flu season. This year is somewhat different with concerns of H1N1. The staff at Connaught are doing all they can to prevent the spread of the flu. Students are asked to wash their hands before and after breaks and always before eating. Our public health nurse will be visiting each classroom to review proper hand washing techniques. If you hear your children singing the ABC's or Row Row Row Your Boat while washing their hands, don't be alarmed, they are only using good practices for the amount of time it takes to properly wash their hands. Beyond hand washing, hand sanitizers are present in all classrooms and the computer lab. You as a family can help the spread of the flu by keeping your child at home if they are sick. Public Health is recommending that if your child has a fever they should remain at home until they are fever free for 24 hours. Due the fact that there are more flues going around this year we will be changing our Perfect Attendance Award to Attendance Award. Students who miss less than 2 days a month will have their name entered into a draw for two bikes at the end of the year. Attending school regularly is very important but we do understand that children need to stay home when they ill and changing our attendance award will hopefully encourage children to attend school regularly while also looking out for their health and well being. If you have any questions regarding this change or on H1N1 please contact the school.



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Special points of interest:

- ☺ Please phone in your child's absence before 9:00.
- ☺ Please be sure students are dressed properly for the weather.
- ☺ Picture Day October 1, 2009

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Fund Raising Report:

The proceeds earned from fund raising support extra-curricular activities. Please remember to support our school in these ways:

- **Schools for Success Day** On the 20th of every month shop the Co-op Marketplace & Pharmacy. Remember to identify Connaught School at the time of purchase, and the Co-op will donate 5% of your total purchase back to the school. **THANK-YOU** to all families who supported Connaught on the 20th. Connaught received a check for **\$731.00**. Don't forget to shop for Connaught on October 20!
- **Campbell's Labels for Education** The grade 2 class is collecting labels from eligible Campbell products to earn FREE merchandize for our school. Please remember to send your labels from: Campbell's soups (including Chunky, Ready to Enjoy, condensed, broths), Prego sauces, Campbell's Chunky Chili, Pepperidge Farm Goldfish Crackers, V8 juice, and Campbell's Food Service products (used in commercial kitchens). The grade 2 class is keeping a tally of each classes contribution. The class that brings in the most labels will win a pizza party. **Help Connaught fund-raise -bring in your labels.**
- **Frosty Friday treats** are sold every Friday for 50 cents each.

House News

I would like to thank the students for a fantastic job of raising \$415 for the Terry Fox Foundation. MacKenzie Worman-Burns won the T-shirt for donating the largest amount. The house of Wind raised the most in the house challenge receiving 119 points for their house. Water earned 95 points, Earth 100 points and Fire 82 points. Thank you to Ms. Putland and her helpers for all their hard work keeping track of the money and selling the shoes, hearts and flags.

Congratulations to the new house reps. **Water:** Tanner Jensen, Kitana Swindler

Fire: Raven Roy, Taylor Stanley **Wind:** Lalia Petite, MacKenzie Worman-Burns

Earth: Alia Desmeules, Naomi Williams, Austin Simons

Soccer News

The boys are a very young team and are learning a lot about the game and how to position themselves on the field. They didn't win their first two games but they have great team spirit and like to run. They have one more game against St. Vital on Sept. 30 at the flats and then the tournament on October 7. Keep up the good work boys.

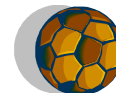
Mrs. Ferguson

Ms. Coupal

The girls team continue to work hard and are enjoying their season. They are looking forward to the tournament on October 6. Keep up the hard work girls!

Mrs. Shumilak

Ms. Smith



😊 **Community Room News. . .**

Congratulations to Irene Mosquito on winning the draw for returning her parent survey! She wins a turkey and some kitchen items.

Students - make sure you check the calendar for **Culture Club** beginning on October 8th with Fiddling as our first activity. There will be $\frac{1}{2}$ hour sessions for both beginner and advanced fiddlers. After School Club and Culture Club will run at the same time so you can join the after school fun when your fiddling session is done.

****Watch for a variety of activities in Culture Club this year!****

Our Family Focus event for October is Wednesday the 28th. Supper served at 5:30 with **Paul Runalls and the Prairie Sailor Band** following at 6:30. Come out and enjoy a relaxing evening of children's music with your family!



Family Focus

LEARN TO SEW...Cold winter evenings will soon arrive. Come to the Community Room Tuesday afternoons in October and sew a warm and cozy quilt. No sewing experience necessary. On October 6th at 1:00 we will go to Fabricland to purchase fabric.

Community Kitchen - Would you like to cook low cost, nutritious meals for your family? Meet new people? Join the Connaught Community Kitchen in October and take home 4 healthy dishes for only \$2.00 per person that you cook for. (Register in the Community Room by Oct. 9th.)

Planning day - Wednesday, Oct. 14th

Cooking day - Wednesday, Oct. 21st



Clothing Swap - October 22nd - 12:00-3:30 in the gym

Families wishing to donate items for the swap may start bringing them to the Community Room. You will receive tokens to be used for purchasing items at the swap.



Mark your Calendar



Calling All DADS

Come on out with your children for an evening of free bowling
and mini golf


Join us at the Bowlarena Thursday Oct. 8/09

WHERE: Battlefords Bowlarena

WHEN: Thursday October 8/09 6-8pm

Connaught Salutes

Connaught staff and students would like to thank:

- Mr. and Mrs. Olson for donating their corn to the school. Thanks to the volunteers who helped pick the corn and to Lifeskills for husking the corn. What a wonderful autumn treat!!!
- all the parents who joined us at Blue Mountain.
- all the families who helped in celebrating Meet the Staff night. 
- All staff and students who donated money to the Terry Fox Run
- Mrs. Humenny for planning a successful Pancake Breakfast!
- To all the families who have returned the student information sheet. Congratulations to Tanner Jensen who won the draw for returning the information sheet on time. If you have not handed in your student information sheet it is not to late!

Welcome from Connaught Community Council

The Connaught Community School Council is a group of parents, grandparents, community members and school staff working together towards our school mission of a safe, supportive environment in which students can develop skills necessary to achieve their personal potential and make a positive contribution to society. The SCC meets once a month to discuss issues happening at the school and in the community. The following are the 2009-10 School Community Council: Kim Libke, Kathy McNinch, Joan Ricard, Clifford Head, Edna Bigears, Tiela McCaw, Neil McCaw, Darlene Humenny, Tanus Johnston, Jay Nichol and Tonya Lehman. The Council invites you to attend the next meeting held in the Community Room on Thursday, October 15, 2009 at 5:15. Babysitting is provided—we hope to see you there!