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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We had a fun and exciting month of October; from our Terry Fox run to pizza days and ending with our Halloween festivities.

1. **Progress Reports:** Progress reports will be issued, via Mozaik, on November 8th. Please ensure you have set up your account to be able to view the report. Hard copies will not be distributed to students. Parents can email ITHelp@emsb.qc.ca for technical support.
2. **Parent/Teacher Meetings:** Parent Teacher meetings will be held on **Thursday, November 11th**. Like last year, all meetings will be held virtually. You should have already received a link from your child's teacher to book your virtual meeting. Parents can also use this link to schedule a meeting with specialists (Physical Education, Music, Science) by selecting the appropriate teacher's name.
3. **Weather appropriate clothing:** As the weather begins to get colder, please ensure your child(ren) are wearing the appropriate clothing for outdoor play. This includes a jacket, hat, and when necessary rain boots. Students must also have a change of shoes to wear inside if they are wearing boots to school. All items must be labeled with the child's name. Finally, many students have to be reminded on a regular basis to wear their jacket when outside, including dismissal. We ask that you speak to your child(ren) about the importance of dressing warmly when outside.
4. **Items from home:** In an effort to minimize distractions and potential loss, students must not bring in any items or toys from home (i.e. Pokemon cards, stuffed animals, etc). please note that this includes cell phones. Items, particularly cell phones, will be confiscated from students and returned at the end of the day.
5. **Photo retakes & Sibling photos:** Photos will take place on the afternoon of November 10th.
6. **Proper mask wearing:** Parents are reminded that students must wear their mask at all times in the building as well as on the bus. Students can take a "mask break" of a few seconds however they must not walk around without the mask and the break cannot be more than a few seconds. Masks must also cover the child's nose and mouth. Thank you for your cooperation in discussing this issue with your child(ren).
7. **Dress code:** EBS has a colour code (blue bottom & white or blue top) which all students must adhere to. This includes any sweater/hoodie, which also must not have large images or logos. Moving forward, students will asked to remove , and keep in their locker, any sweater/hoodie which does not meet dress code conditions.
8. **Terry Fox:** I am proud to announce that we were able to raise \$2,498.70 for the Terry Fox Foundation at our annual run on October 8th. Thank you to all the students who raised money and ran their hearts out, M. Fortin for organizing the day, the parents for volunteering their time and teachers/staff members for enthusiastically cheering the students on.
9. **Halloween:** We had a wonderful day celebrating Halloween. The kids, big and small, really got into the spirit of the day. There were many fabulous and creative costumes. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our PPO moms who put together treat bags for all of our students. Thank you for taking the time to help us celebrate the day.



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🌟 Spotlight on: Grade 2 🌟

In English language Arts, the Grade 2 students have been learning about spiders. They have written weekly journal entries about different spider facts. They also enjoyed reading different books about spiders. In our stations, the students played spider word games, wrote and learned about different types of spiders and they listened to different stories with spiders as the main characters.

In Math, they explored different types of patterns and created patterns with a variety of materials, cardinal points and counting up to 100. We are currently working on adding and subtracting through mental math.

Mr. Bryan

In French, the students have been working on their oral presentations and reading comprehension. For oral presentations, they have presented on their favourite day of summer. For reading comprehension, the students are learning to read a story on their own. This is followed by the story being read to them. Once that is done, they are learning how to extract relevant information from their texts using a highlighter.

Art in French has been fun with the students drawing their ideal imaginary homes and self-portraits. In Physical Education, the students have been working on individual skills, cooperative/team play, and running games/activities.

And, of course, Halloween was awesome! 😊 Big shout outs to our CCWs for supporting us all.



M. Nurse

Regards,

Ms. Christina Chilelli
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