



# PIERRE DE COUBERTIN

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## PDC's Monthly Newsletter October 2021



Autumn is upon us! 🍂 We invite you to read below in order to stay up to date with key information as well all the great things happening at PDC! As we move toward a long weekend, we wish you a harvest of blessings, good health and good times. May you enjoy this celebration with your family full of laughter and peace. Happy Thanksgiving from the PDC staff! We are certainly thankful for YOU - & our wonderful community.

### PROGRESS REPORTS

The Ministry of Education has changed the date of distribution of progress reports. You will receive your child's progress report on November 19, via Mozaik. The intent of this report is to provide you with an understanding of your child's academic progress and regarding his/her behaviour.

### CHESS

At PDC, we will introduce chess to all our students once again this year. It has been proven that teaching chess to children raises their IQ, increases their problem-solving skills, increases creativity and concentration in a child. As of October 13, Mr. Nicolas Metivier will be joining the PDC team every Wednesdays and Fridays to teach our students chess. This will take place during class time. Each cycle will receive 8 sessions of 1 hour per week. Mr. Nicolas will begin with cycle 2 and later visit the other cycles throughout the year.

This initiative has been made possible with the many fundraisers we have had in the past. A big thank you to all the parents who support our school through our fundraisers.

### HALLOWEEN

On October 29, we will be celebrating Halloween at PDC. The students will be permitted to come to school dressed in their Halloween costume. No accessories nor masks will be allowed (swords, wands etc...). Activities are being planned for this event. More info to follow.



**Treats:** We would like to take this opportunity to remind our parents of our school's food policy. For the security of our children, we will not distribute any food or treats provided to us by parents. Please do not send in goody bags filled with candy. We ask for your understanding and cooperation.

### MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

Students are NEVER allowed to have medication (including cough drops) of any kind in their possession. If your child is required to take medication prescribed by a doctor while at school, a **Consent Form signed by the parent must be given to the school secretary. This must be accompanied by the medication in the original**

container from the pharmacy (including dispensing label), with the doctor's name clearly visible on the label. No medication will be given to a child unless it is prescribed by a doctor. A student is encouraged to wear an allergy belt which holds their EpiPen. If your child has asthma, a pump must be kept at school. The child may not keep it in the school bag.

## VIDEO GAMING – YOUTH FUSION

Once again, this year, Youth Fusion will be working with our Grade 6 students! This cross-curricular project will allow our students to further refine their academic skills through coding, storyboard writing, digital design, music composition, and more! We can't wait to share the progress as our student leaders create their very own video game!

## TERRY FOX WALK & SUPER HERO DAY

As you well know, yesterday marked PDC's first ever Terry Fox *Walk & Run* - a special initiative to complement our ongoing fundraiser for the Terry Fox Foundation, which supports cancer research. So far, thanks to our entire community, we have raised 1650.00\$!

The Walk & Run was a major success! A representative from the *Terry Fox Foundation* was also here to speak to the students about the impact that a small donation can make! More photos will be available on our social media platforms shortly!



As a friendly reminder, our school fundraiser will come to a close the evening Wednesday, October 6th. Any contribution is welcome – you can still donate by visiting <http://www.terryfox.ca/pierredecoubertin>.

## PICTURE DAY

Our 2021-2022 Picture Days will be held on **Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** and **Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Parents will receive proofs within the weeks that follow, as well as instructions on how to order pictures. Kindly note that sibling photos will be taken on Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

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