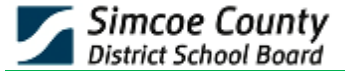




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DAY OF PINK

It is hard to believe that the big day is almost here again!!! On **Wednesday April 11th**, our Student Equity & Inclusion Team will lead Grade 7 & 8 students from Admiral Collingwood, Mountain View, Connaught, Nottawa and Cameron Street in the **FOURTH ANNUAL DAY OF PINK!**

Opening Ceremonies begin at 10:30am at the Old Post Office downtown with our special guests Mayor Cooper, Counsellors Fryer and Madigan our SCDSB Resource Staff, and more! During the day, students will take part in team-building challenges and participate in the Get Real Workshop as we join together to share this year’s message of **Be Who YOU Are!** Once again, this event promises to be a day unlike no other!

For our K-Grade 6 students at Cameron Street, we are asking our students to wear pink as we recognize the Day of Pink and take part in Mental Wellness activities and “What’s Your Spaghetti?” sessions with Leah Dilley that day. Follow our journey and work by visiting our school website at www.cam.scdsb.on.ca and clicking on the link ‘Day of Pink 2018.’



CAMERON’S GOT TALENT!

It is that time of year again when our students shine and share their amazing talents with us all!!! This year’s ‘Cameron’s Got Talent’ Night is **Thursday April 19th at 6:00pm**, with the Dress Rehearsal for the School occurring on **Thursday April 19th at 11:15am**. Ticket information sheets will be coming home with students shortly, and we cannot wait to see all the musical, dance and comedy acts this year on our stage!



CAMERON STREET PRESENTS FAMILY MENTAL WELLNESS NIGHT!

This year we are pleased to present our first ever Family Mental Wellness Night happening on **Wednesday April 11th**. From **5-6pm**, we invite our students and their families to join us for a family spaghetti dinner, followed by a variety of sessions focusing on wellness and self-regulation strategies that all can use from **7-8pm!** As well, classrooms will be presenting their wellness strategies that they use daily that will be on display in the gym and Leah Dilley will be sharing her “What’s Your Spaghetti?” presentation. It promises to be a great night of amazing ideas!

Watch for further information coming home with students this week!

April 2	EASTER MONDAY
April 9	School Council Meeting 7pm
April 11	DAY OF PINK! Wear pink! Family Mental Wellness Night 5-8pm
April 13	Grade 3 Swim to Survive 12:30
April 17	Grade 8 Grad Photos SK Photo Day
April 19	Talent Show for School 11:45am Talent Show 6pm
April 20	Grade 3 Swim to Survive 12:30
April 23	Builders Club Meeting 3:30
April 24	Hat Day
April 25	Grade 3 Swim to Survive 12:30 You’re the Chef Program begins
April 26	Optimism Assembly Earth Day
April 27	PD DAY
April 30	Greg LeRock Concert



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

A reminder to all our families that our School Council meeting will take place on **Monday April 9th at 7pm** in the Library. Please join us as we discuss our plans for the Carnival happening **Thursday May 31st!** New members are always welcome to come!



AMAZING CLUBS ARE HAPPENING HERE!

Have you heard about the amazing things our Comets are doing? From our award-winning Art Club to our Drum Line, our new Guitar Club that sees students and staff learning together to our daily intramurals, Cameron Street is truly the place to be!

Follow us on Twitter @CameronStPS and see the learning happen!



LET'S SEE YOUR SPIRIT COMETS!!!

The Rock Your Socks spirit on **Friday March 29th** was amazing Comets!!! Thank you to all students and staff that let their spirit shine and made this a most colourful day at

Cameron!

This month, we are asking our students and staff to show their support for the Day of Pink by wearing their best pink shirts on **Wednesday April 11th**. We want to help turn Collingwood pink and are looking for 100% participation that day from everyone!!! In honour of Earth Day, we are turning the school Blue and Green with spirit on **Thursday April 26th**. Let's continue to see that fantastic Cameron Street spirit and pride shine Comets!!!



WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN NIGHT!

This spring, we are hosting an orientation session to welcome new Kindergarten students and their parents to our school! Come experience what life is like in Kindergarten! Explore areas of the program, meet our Kindergarten educators and have the chance to ask questions. Our school's session takes place on **Thursday May 10th at 5:00pm**. We look forward to welcoming you! For more information, please contact our school office.

For those marking their September calendars now, school start dates for September 2018 are as follows:

- **Senior Kindergarten (Year 2) students will begin school on Tuesday September 4th**
- **Junior Kindergarten (Year 1) students will begin school on Thursday September 6th**



BUSINESS FAIR THANK YOU!

On behalf of our Grade 7 & 8 students, we would like to thank all students, staff, parents and friends for supporting our Intermediate Business Fair on March 27th. Our students as always appreciated the excitement and business, and we are proud to say it was a great success for all involved!

Our Intermediates would also like to say a special thank you to their parents and families for all their help and to Ms. Fedorco, Mr. McPherson, Mr. McLean and Mr. Ready for their help in organizing the day and preparing them so well to run their businesses.



BUILDERS' CLUB NEWS

The Builders Club thank all those Junior and Intermediate students that participated in the Skip-A-Meal Event on Friday March 31st. Once again, you help to recognize word hunger and help make a difference with your donations and time.

Hat Day is coming on **Tuesday April 24th** and we are encouraging all students and staff to wear their best hat and bring in a donation for the Parkinson's Society.

Finally, a reminder to club members of the meeting on **Monday April 23rd at 3:20pm**.



REMINDER FROM THE OFFICE...

Once again, we remind our families that our playground equipment remains closed at this time until our grounds inspection has taken place. Once our equipment is open, we will share this exciting news with you through our website and classroom communications.



GRADUATION PHOTO DAY

On **Tuesday April 17th**, our Grade 8 students will be having their Graduation photos taken while our Senior Kindergarten students will be having their Celebration photos taken. Order forms will be going home with the students shortly, and families are reminded to return them by the due date noted. Any questions regarding Photo Day, please contact the school office.



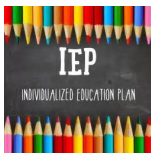
DANCE-A-THON THANK YOU!!!

A huge thank you to all the students, families and staff for their very generous support and spirit once again for our Dance A Thon last month!!! We were able to raise almost \$6000. to go towards our Transforming Learning Spaces projects. We could not have done this without all of you, so thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

Also, thank you to our DJ—Shawn Chartrand—for again providing his music services this year to make our day of dance such a success!!!

CHARACTER TRAIT FOR APRIL IS

OPTIMISM



PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS ABOUT SPECIAL EDUCATION

The SCDSB is hosting a series of information sessions for parents/guardians to learn about special education in the SCDSB, and how to support students with special education needs. The last session takes place this month:

- **April 16**
Understanding Alternative/Non-Academic IEP Goals

The event takes place from 6 to 7 p.m. at the SCDSB Education Centre, located at 1170 Highway 26 in Midhurst. No registration required.



SCHOOL BUS EVACUATION TRAINING

The Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC), in partnership with school bus operators, is offering school bus evacuation training to all home-to-school transported students the **week of April 3rd to 6th**. During this week, school bus drivers will educate students on how to evacuate a school bus safely in an emergency. The SCSTC would like to remind all drivers to be extra cautious near school buses and in school bus loading and unloading zones. For more information or if you have questions, visit main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/. Also, we remind our bus students that in order for our buses to travel safely on the roads and during the unpredictable weather, that they **must** be seated at all times when the bus is in motion.



REMINDER: PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR CAR WHILE YOU WAIT!

A reminder to please turn your engine off when dropping off or picking up your child from school. Idling cars release exhaust that is harmful to the environment, our health and the health of our students. It's good to get into the habit of turning your car off any time you're stopped and in park for more than 60 seconds. Thank you for doing your part to keep our kids and our environment healthy! For more information to keep you and your family healthy, visit www.simcoemuskokahealth.org or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.



STRESS...OUR KIDS GET IT TOO!

Kids have stress, just like us. Stress is a normal part of life, but our bodies are only made to handle it for short amounts of time. Continued stress can cause feelings of pressure, anxiety and tiredness. It can make it hard for kids to focus in school and can cause them to become sick, get lower grades or make unhealthy choices. It's easy to mistake signs of stress for bad behaviour in your child. You can help them learn to manage stress by staying calm, showing love and talking openly about their feelings. Encourage them to try calming activities like deep breathing or doing something active. If the stress continues, be sure talk to your child's family doctor or health care provider. To speak with a public health nurse, contact Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 or visit the health unit website for more information at www.simcoemuskokahealth.org.



YOU'RE THE CHEF RETURNS!

In partnership with the Healthy Kids Community Challenge, we are once again excited to have the You're the Chef program starting at Cameron Street again this year! For those registered, the program will be starting on **Wednesday April 25th at 3:30pm**, and run every Wednesday after for 5 weeks. We look forward to what our newest chefs learn and create in the kitchen!



YMCA HEALTHY KIDS DAY!

YMCAs across Canada are celebrating Healthy Kids Day on **Sunday April 29th**. It's a national day dedicated to improving the health and well-being of kids. The YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka is happy to host this FREE event for everyone in the community, offering fun and healthy activities for the entire family to enjoy. Across Canada, most children do not meet the recommended 60 minutes of daily physical activity. Rising rates of obesity and related chronic disease tell us that getting kids active should be a top priority for parents, schools, and all Canadians. With summer just around the corner, here are some practical tips on how to keep your kids active and healthy:

- Rather than heading out on a walk or jog solo, invite your kids to hop on their bicycles, skateboards and scooters and head out with you. You will come back energized and connected knowing that you've set a great example and spent quality time together. Everyone wins!
- Many communities have free or low-cost youth activities or programs at facilities such as pools, playgrounds, parks, sporting fields, community centres and the YMCA! Ask your child's teacher, contact your local municipality, search online or contact your local YMCA for upcoming events.
- Depending on the distance and safety factor, consider letting your children walk to school, the library, their friend's house or any other place you would normally drive them to. Some kids may be inspired by tracking their steps with a pedometer. Pedometers are relatively inexpensive and many libraries have them available on loan!

ARE YOU WALKING TO SCHOOL WITH US YET???

JOIN THE WALKING SCHOOL BUS DAILY AT 8:40am AT WALNUT AND 10th STREET.

IT'S THE HEALTHY WAY TO GET TO SCHOOL!!!



APRIL 2018

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1 EASTER 	2 EASTER MONDAY 	3 ET Program 3:30 Popcorn Sales	4 Booster Juice Art Club 3:30	5 Pizza Day Chess Tournament Guitar Club 3:30 French Program 3:30	6 Wear your Cameron colours today! 	7
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29	30 Greg LeRock Concert—FI classes					

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