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**CAMERON STREET PRESENTS THE HALLOWEEN
HOWLER!!!**

It's that time of year again Comets—Howler time! You do not want to miss this annual event where family fun is guaranteed! The Halloween Howler will be on **Thursday October 26th from 5:00-7:30pm**. For only \$5.00 per child or \$10.00 per family, you and your children can enjoy games, crafts, the bake sale, and so much more! Mark this date on your



**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOOL
PICTURE DAY**

Picture Day for our students will be on **Thursday October 5th**. All students in attendance at the school will get their individual photos taken. Class photos will also be taken for our Kindergarten to Grade 3 classes.

Due to the rescheduling of our Cross Country Race to **Thursday October 5th**, cross country runners not at school will have their pictures taken on the re-take day on **Tuesday November 7th**. Class photos for Grades 4-8 will also take place on **Tuesday November 7th**.



DROP OFF ZONE AT OUR SCHOOL

A reminder to our families that the Student Drop Zone in front of our primary yard is **not for parking**. It is only a Drop Off Zone where you may pull your vehicle up and allow your child to get out and enter our school yard via the sidewalk. Drivers are to remain with their vehicles. By doing this, we help alleviate the safety, traffic and parking concerns that we are experiencing at this time.

We thank you for your assistance with this matter !

OCTOBER IS COOPERATION MONTH AT CAMERON STREET

October 2	School Council 7pm
October 4	Walk or Wheel to School Day
	Booster Juice Day—every Wednesday
October 5	Picture Day—K to 3
	World Teacher Day
	Pizza Day— every Thursday
October 9	Thanksgiving
October 10	Gr. 7 & 8 Trip to Geneva (till Oct. 12th)
	Snowboard Riglet Prog—K to 3
October 19	Madd Presentation 9am
October 20	PD Day
October 23	Builders Club Meeting
October 26	Halloween Howler 5- 7:30pm
October 31	Halloween
	Orange/Black/ Purple Day
	Cooperation Assembly



FROM THE OFFICE...

A reminder to all our families that **we are now a green/paperless school** with our school newsletters and permission forms, so please subscribe to our website (www.cam.scdsb.on.ca) and/or provide the school office with your most current email address. We are still encouraging our families to sign up for CashOnline as food and fieldtrips can be ordered and paid for with this system. If needing help with this program, please see our school office for more details.

Finally, we ask that parents not be in the school hallways at the end of the school day as bus dismissal procedures are occurring at this time for our students and our hallways become very busy. We ask that you meet your child(ren) outside their entry doors or at the office if picking your student up early.

We thank you for your assistance!



WORLD TEACHER'S DAY

Thursday October 5th marks World Teachers' Day—an international event celebrating the work educators do every day around the world. We thank our amazing staff for all they do each day for our Comets!



Run. Jump. Play.
Every Day.

HEALTHY KIDS COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

On **Wednesday October 4th**, we are asking all Cameron students and staff to walk or wheel their way to school to celebrate International

Walk to School Day. A member of the Healthy Kids Collingwood Committee will be here starting at 8:15am to welcome all those who participate with a healthy snack and the chance to tie a ribbon to show their support! Let's show all of Collingwood that Cameron Street Public School is committed to active living and ready to run, jump and play every day!



TERRY FOX RUN

We thank all our Cameron students and staff for their enthusiastic support of our Terry Fox Run on last month. Many classes met the challenge of raising money to watch with excitement our teachers take on the challenges of pie in the face and wacky wear at our

Caring Assembly! Once again our Comets truly embodied the caring spirit Cameron is known to share! Congratulations to our organizers Mrs. McFarlane and Mr. Ready, and to the students and staff who yet again raised over \$1000. for this special cause!



SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

If you have not already done so, be sure to sign up for School Cash Online. This is our preferred method of payment for all school fundraising including lunch days and field trips. School Cash Online allows you to pay with your debit or credit card. Follow these steps to get started:

1. Go to simcoecounty.schoolcashonline.com or from our school website click on "pay fees"
2. Register and add your child to the newly created account
3. View and purchase items through echeck or credit card

The School Cash Parent Helpdesk is available 24/7 to help you with registration, password recoveries or any other payment issues. Call the helpdesk at 1-866-961-1803 or email parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com.



SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

We would like to thank all the wonderful parents who signed up at Meet the Teacher to help out our School Council this year with their many wonderful projects! Your support is greatly appreciated!

Our next School Council meeting is on **Monday October 2nd at 7pm**. Please come and join us as we continue our plans for our first event—the Halloween Howler!!!



SPIRIT SQUAD UPDATE!

What an amazing show of spirit on Friday September 29th for our first spirit day of the year—Western Day!

Cameron Street was truly THE place to be, and we thank all students and staff for their super participation!

This month, we celebrate October with a Orange/Black/Purple Day on **Tuesday October 31st!** We cannot wait to seek the spooky spirit that no one shows better than Cameron Comets!!!



BUILDERS CLUB MEETING

The Builders Club will be meeting on **Monday October 23rd at 3:20pm** in Mr. Potter's classroom.



THE SNACK SHACK IS HERE!

We are thrilled to share that our new Snack Shack is up and running at Cameron Street, providing fresh fruit, veggies and healthy options for our students during nutrition times. We are already seeing many of our students enjoying the apples and other items we are now stocking daily!

To help with our focus on healthy eating this year, we also ask that if sending in items for classroom celebrations that you consider healthy options. Send in fruit, cheese and crackers, veggie platters or cheese and crackers. Not only are they healthy but kid-approved!



POPCORN SALES

A reminder to our students that our Grade 7 & 8 students are selling popcorn every Tuesday for only \$1./bag!



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK

School Bus Safety Week takes place **October 16-20th**. To support schools in promoting bus safety to students, the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC), in partnership with school bus operators, will offer bus evacuation training to all home-to-school transported students. During this week, school bus drivers will educate students on how to evacuate a school bus safely in an emergency situation. **Wednesday October 18th** is School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in the province of Ontario. It's a great opportunity for the school community to thank our bus drivers for all their hard work transporting students to and from school safely. For more information, visit the SCSTC website at main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/.



NEW PATH MENTAL HEALTH WALK IN CLINICS

In response to the increasing wait times for child and youth mental health services, and the increased need for such services, New Path has undertaken a service redesign that will provide more timely and responsive services to children, youth and families in Simcoe County. New Path now offers Child and Youth Mental Walk In Clinics in five locations throughout Simcoe County—Bradford, Alliston, Barrie, Orillia and here in Collingwood. Children, youth and families requesting service from New Path no longer need to call and complete an intake: they can simply attend one of the local Walk In Clinics and will receive a single session intervention that day. Should children or youth require further service, New Path will continue to offer a wide variety of community and school-based services as well as residential service and women's service. For further information, including the clinic locations, days and hours, visit www.newpath.ca or contact New Path's central intake department at 705-725-7656.



CAMERON SPORTS UPDATE

Our Cross Country Running Team and Flag Football Team are off to a busy season as they practice and compete this month in their events. Check out their schedules on our school website—www.cam.scdsb.on.ca—and click under the sport for the latest news. We wish our teams and coaches the best of luck!



TIPS FOR A HEALTHY HALLOWEEN!

The month of October is upon us and that means Halloween is just around the corner! For many children this could be an exciting time of year as they get their costumes ready and their buckets out to fill with candy! Halloween can also be a tough time for parents to keep their kids' diets healthy and balanced. Here are some helpful 'tricks' to help you and your family have a healthy Halloween this year!

- Walk door to door when trick or treating. It will burn calories and also tire the kids out—potentially limiting the amount of houses you will hit before the end of the night. Try making a competition out of who can walk the most steps.
- Plan a party! Make the focus of your party fun activities instead of sugary treats. Include Halloween games such as a costume or dance contest.
- Before your kids venture out in their costumes, make sure they eat a healthy meal!

Visit your local YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka for some fun Halloween activities for the whole family to enjoy!



FIRE PREVENTION

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK: "EVERY SECOND COUNTS...PLAN 2 WAYS OUT!"

Fire Prevention Week is **October 8th to 14th** and this year's theme is "Every Second Counts: Plan 2 Ways Out!" Smoke and fire spread fast. There's no time to figure out how to escape AFTER a fire starts. All households should have working smoke alarms and practice a home fire escape plan with everyone in the family BEFORE there's a fire. Find out more at www.nfpa.org/fpw.



OCTOBER IS INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

Did you know that October is International Walk to School month? It's a great way for children to get their recommended 60 minutes of physical activity each day and also gives parents and staff a chance to be part of a worldwide event that celebrates the many benefits of walking. Here are some ideas:

- Encourage your child to walk or cycle to and from school if you live close by and team up with others to make the trip more fun
- If you usually drive your child to school, try getting them to walk part of the way
- If your child takes the bus, walking to and from the bus stop is a great way to add physical activity minutes into the day



A SPECIAL THANK YOU FROM OUR LIBRARY...

Thank you to all the students and families that supported our first Book Fair of the year last week! Your generosity helped us reach our goal, and we look forward to the new resources we will be able to purchase for the school.

PD DAY FOR STUDENTS

Friday October 20th is a PD Day for our students!





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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 School Council 7pm Gr. 8s to Sewage Treatment Plant	3 Popcorn Sales	4 Walk to Wheel to School Day! Booster Juice Day	5  Picture Day—K to 3 World Teacher Day Pizza Day	6	7
8	9 	10 Popcorn Sales Fire Prevention Week Gr. 7 & 8s to Geneva Park K-3 Snowboard Riglet Program	11 Booster Juice Day Gr. 7 & 8s at Geneva Park Area Cross Country Run K-3 Snowboard Riglet Program	12 Pizza Day Gr. 7 & 8s return today	13	14
15	16 Bus Safety Week Flag Football Tournament	17 Popcorn Sales	18 Booster Juice Day	19 Pizza Day MADD Presentation for Gr. 7 & 8s	20 PA DAY 	21
22	23 Builders Club Meeting 3:20pm	24 Popcorn Sales	25 Booster Juice Day Builders Club Hurricane Sale	26 Pizza Day  Halloween Howler 5:00-7:30pm	27	28
29	30	31  Halloween Purple/Orange/ Black Day Popcorn Sales Cooperation Assembly				