

Colonel Cameron News

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Principal's Message: It is hard to believe that the first month of school is over! Our students have settled nicely into their new classes and excitement is everywhere.

School Hours

8:45 Playground Opens
9:00 Classes Begin
9:00 - 11:00 . Instructional Time
11:00 - 11:40...Nutrition Break/Recess
11:40 - 1:20 . Instructional Time
1:20 - 2:00 Nutrition Break/Recess
2:00 - 3:20 ... Instructional Time
3:20 Dismissal



Meet the Staff Night: It was great to see so many students and their families at school on Meet the Staff night. Thanks to our School Advisory Council for the delicious BBQ and our Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success!

Terry Fox Run: On Wednesday, September 27th, the school participated in our Annual Terry Fox Run. Our school raised enough money to reach our goal of \$2000 for cancer fighting research. Way to go, Cougars!

Orange Shirt Day and Reconciliation Week:

Thank-you to everyone for participating in Orange T-Shirt Day in recognition of survivors of Residential Schools and to those students who never returned home. Our educators used a variety of resources to help our students learn more about the significance of this day. Our work towards increasing our knowledge about Indigenous Education will be ongoing throughout the year.

Jason Simon Presentation: On Tuesday, October 3, Colonel Cameron will welcome Jason Simon to inspire youth to reach their goals. He is an Indigenous motivational speaker from Aamjiwnaang First Nation. He speaks about his struggles growing up as a First Nations individual, and his dreams of making it to the NHL. He brings a message of resilience and determination in a relatable way that inspires youth to keep their focus and visualize their goals to achieve them!

Leaving School at Lunchtime:

Students may leave the school to go home for lunch this year. They will leave at second break and need a note from their parents/guardians.

Important Up-coming Dates:

Oct 6.....PA Day
Oct 9.....Thanksgiving
Oct 13.....Boston Pizza Lunch
Oct. 26Family Movie Night
Oct. 27Fall Carnival / Foodland Lunch
Nov. 16 & 17.... Parent/Teacher Interviews
Nov 17.....PA Day
Dec. 25-Jan. 5.....Holidays



School Advisory Council: The School Advisory Council met on Wednesday, September 27. The elected officials are: President – Amber Passingham; Treasurer – Cindy Gilbank; Secretary – presently unfilled.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Apple Fundraiser. Remember that you can pick up your apples on Wednesday, October 4 from 11-5 PM.

Upcoming fundraisers will be Big Box Of Cards and McMillian's. Watch your emails for further information.

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, November 29th at the school from 4-6 PM.



Milk, Popcorn and Special Food Days: Our food programs can be paid through School Cash Online. These programs work on a card system. When your child gets their popcorn/milk, their name is checked off as having received it. If they are away, the item for that day gets added onto the end of your purchase. Mrs. McLaughlin will notify you when it is time to purchase more.

More information will be coming about Special Food Days that will be happening this year. Know that if your child is away during a special food day and you have made a purchase, you will need to arrange to have the food picked up at the school that day. Refunds will not be given.

Family Movie Night: Our first Family Movie Night of the year will take place on Thursday night, October 26th. We will be screening **Scooby-Doo and the Witch's Ghost (1999)**. The doors will open at 6:00 with the movie starting at 6:15 and ending around 7:20.

There is no cost for the movie, but we do sell pizza, popcorn, and drinks through School Cash Online as a fundraiser for the school. We are currently raising money for our LEGO Club and Music Program. Our movie nights are open to all students and their families. **Students must be accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times.** Families are welcome to bring blankets, pajamas, Halloween costumes, and camp chairs that will not damage the gym floor.



What: Family Movie Night (Scooby-Doo and the Witch's Ghost)

Where: Colonel Cameron Gym

When: Thursday, October 26th from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm.

Fall Harvest Carnival: Student Council will be hosting a Fall Harvest Carnival for students on October 27. Students will be invited to come to the gym to participate in activities and games run by our Student Council. More information will be coming!

Student Absences: Regular school attendance is extremely important to the success of all students. As difficult as it can be some days, starting the school day on time is important. Our Safe School Policy requires that parents or guardians notify the school through the School Messenger App if students will be absent or late. It is essential for safety reasons that we are aware if your child is not at school. If we have not heard from you, a telephone call will be made by the school secretary for follow-up on the absenteeism. Late students need to report to the office before going to class. We appreciate everyone's cooperation.

At Colonel Cameron Public School, we look forward to working with each child and family to ensure an excellent education for ***Every Student, Every Day.***