

Chemong Public School Newslink

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Be The Best You Can Be

Message from the Principal.....



On Sept. 15th, students in grades 3 to 5 and 28 Grade 7 and 8 student coaches were involved in an interactive Math workshop called "Mathletes". The students were organized into grade alike teams and completed activities relating to the five strands in Mathematics throughout the day long event. The Grade 7 and 8 students took on a coaching role and supported the students as they worked through the various tasks. It was great to see the parents who were able to join us for the day or part of the day.

Staff and students enthusiastically responded to this learning opportunity. They completed a total of 4146 math questions!

All students took part in the **Terry Fox walk** on Thursday, September 29th. We started with our Character Assembly focussing on Perseverance and how Terry exemplified this trait. The students then walked down Gore Street to Ward Street. We continued along Ward Street to Wilcox and back to the school. The band played and the students looked great with all their red and white clothing. The students raised over \$545.00. You can still send in your twoonies if you have not already. Great job!



School Council 2016-2017

A huge thank you to the following parents that have volunteered to be on our School Council this year: Steve Comtois (co-chair), Sarah Burgess (co-chair), Andrea Proctor (secretary), Jinnell Cooper (treasurer), Nicole Bunn, Kathy Whiteley, Amanda Brethour, Nicole Gifford, Tanya Schomodji, Lorie Windrem (teacher rep) and Allison McNamee (CUPE rep). Our next School Council meeting will take place on **Monday, October 17th at 6:30 p.m.** in our library. Everyone is always welcome to attend. We hope you can join us.

Chemong Marketplace

Our Second Annual Chemong Marketplace will be held on November 10th. Mark it on your calendar and come for an evening of shopping to support our school. If you are a vendor and are interested in renting a table for the evening, please contact the school at 705-292-9594. We have a limit of 20 tables so it will be a first come, first served with a deadline of October 14th to register so we know how many tables we need to have on hand.

SchoolCash Online



The graphic is a rounded rectangle with a black border. On the left, there is a yellow rectangular sign with a black border and the text "NOW AVAILABLE" in bold, black, sans-serif font. To the right of the sign, the text "Make online payments with SchoolCashOnline" is displayed in a blue, sans-serif font. Below this, there are three green checkmarks, each followed by a line of text: "Field trips", "Sports Events", and "Activity Fees". At the bottom left of the graphic, the text "Register at KPRDSB.schoolcashionline.com" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, the logo for "KEV GROUP" is shown, with "KEV" in a large, bold, blue font and "GROUP" in a smaller, blue font. Below the logo, the text "School Cash Simplified" is written in a small, black, sans-serif font.

As you may know, for safety and efficiency reasons, we are now offering the convenience to parents of paying school fees online. I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you that have already registered with *School Cash Online*, our school's preferred method of payment.

For those of you who haven't, I need to make you aware that all of our teachers going forward will be posting school related trips and items online. Once you register we will be able to inform you of upcoming events via email, helping our school "Go Green".

One of our goals is to get as many parents registered on the site as possible. Please take 5 minutes to assist us, by following the steps below.

Here's how to Register Online:

Step 1: Please go to:

<https://kprdsb.schoolcashonline.com>

Step 2: Register by selecting "Get Started Now" and follow the online steps.

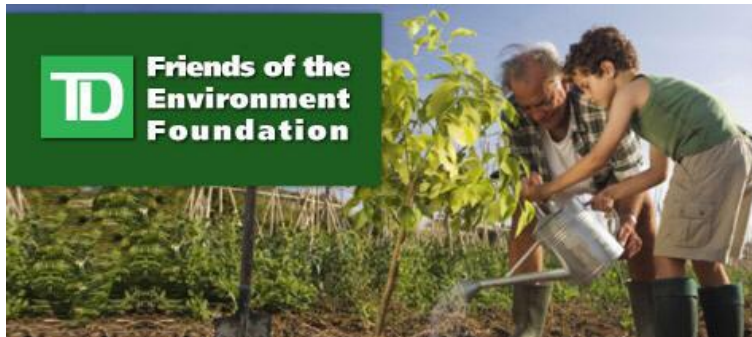
Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the 'click here' option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account.

Items are available until midnight on the day they are due, after midnight on that date they will no longer be available to pay online.

If you have any questions during the registration process or while shopping online, please contact the friendly Parent Helpdesk by calling **1-866-961-1803**.

Green Dragons News

Our naturalized learning areas continue to grow! Chemong has won a grant from the TD Friends of the Environment Foundation to install a new outdoor classroom. They have



generously granted us \$6250.

Combined with \$4000 we raised through the Fun Fair Plant Sale, the Battery Busters Challenge, and other initiatives, we have enough to think big!

The new area will be located on the Junior/Intermediate yard in the area of the sun shelter. Called "The Learning Grove", it will feature native trees and shrubs, a pollinator meadow, armour stone seating arranged in a circle, raised vegetable beds, and picnic tables. It will become a habitat for local wildlife as well as for the children of Chemong.

Our goal this fall is to get the trees installed. In the Spring, the construction work will begin. We hope the entire Chemong community will have a hand in this project. If you would like to be involved, we want you! Even if you can only spare an hour, every little bit helps. We are particularly looking for input from our Aboriginal community members. Please contact krista_delahunt@kprdsb.ca if you are interested in collaborating with us.

World Teacher Day

October 5 is a day in which we recognize the staff of Chemong. We will be showing our teachers how much we respect them by presenting them with treats and stars because they are the stars of our school.

Teachers help us with problems, they give up free breaks to coach sports and push us to achieve our goals. These lessons we will take with us in to the future.

Thank you to all the staff at Chemong.

Student Council Representatives: Emily B, Emily T, Daria H, Hillary T



Battery Busters



October 17 - 23, 2016 collect used single-use and rechargeable household batteries (weighing up to 5 kg each). Classes will compete in two categories:

- 1) who can collect the most weight and
- 2) who can make the most creative display with their batteries!

Start saving now so we can have another successful year and win one of four prizes of \$1,500 to support our Eco Outdoor Play Areas!

Character/Dragon Assemblies

Character development is an important part of our day-to-day efforts to achieve educate our students to excel in learning, to succeed in life and to enrich our communities. Student Council will be hosting assemblies for the school again this year. Their goals is to encourages



everyone to work together to create a community of caring citizens. These qualities form the basis of our relationships with one another, of responsible citizenship and the basis for our monthly recognition assemblies.

Please look on our twitter account for photographs of our incredible students who exemplify the traits listed below

Optimism Terry Fox	Thursday, September 29 Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ I have a positive attitude. ✓ I see challenges as opportunities. ✓ I think, speak and act to make the world a better place. ✓ I have hope for the future.
Fairness	Thursday, October 28 Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ I am sensitive to the needs of individuals. ✓ I include others and value their uniqueness. ✓ I celebrate diversity. ✓ I treat people with the dignity and consideration with which I would like to be treated. ✓ I gather as much information as possible in order to make a decision that is just.
Courage	Thursday, November 24 Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ I face challenges. ✓ I speak up for myself and others even when it may be unpopular. ✓ I ask for help when necessary unwise chances to please others.. ✓ I recognize risks and dangers and do not take unwise chances to please others.
Respect PJ Sing Song	Friday, December 23 Assembly	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ I am polite and caring. ✓ I value myself and others. ✓ I treat all people with dignity and uphold their rights. ✓ I protect property and our environment