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Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

We have had a busy start to the year. Thank you for another very successful Terry Fox Run on September 27. The sun was out and all students participated for a great cause. Thank you to many parents who volunteered at the event. We don't have the total amount raised yet as many of the donations were online to the Terry Fox Foundation. We will send that out to you soon! Prior to this year, WOM raised a grand total of \$74,000 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Thanks to Heather McGrath for her leadership to coordinate this worthwhile event.

We have many extracurricular activities going on at the school for our students this term. Here is a list of some of the activities and the staff facilitators: Reel Cool Productions - Kelley Phillips, Intermediate Football - Steve Derouin and Dan Jessiman, Cross Country Running - Steve Derouin, Heather McGrath and Sian Williams, Intermediate Yearbook - Kelley Phillips, Social Justice Club - Tigra Fried, Sarah Bowen, Primary Choir - Gaye Ansell-Gosselin, Spirit Crew - Mandy Sabiston, Spirit Assembly - Kelley Phillips and Mandy Sabiston, Eco Schools - Tigra Fried, Cindy Ottaviani, Heather Shadbolt and Ashley Costain, WOM Ramble - Heather McGrath and Steve Derouin, Junior Soccer - Dave Hodgins and Julie Bell. Thank you staff members for making WOM a great place with many extra events and activities!

Parent volunteers are welcome at WOM. Please fill out the survey at this link if you are interested in getting involved with School Council activities here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScl2coK7FHW5r3rIUwbS9zHed-VIoN264SbhlMKirqXNbvE0A/viewform>

Friday, November 11 is Remembrance Day. Here at WOM, we are fortunate to have Master Warrant Officer, Don Cormier, father of Nathan and Addison, joining us as our keynote speaker for our assembly. I invite you to join us. Our Remembrance Day Assembly will start around 10:50 am in the gym as parents, staff and students gather to honour those members of the armed forces who bravely served and/or continue to serve and protect Canada.

Finally, thank you to you and your children for welcoming my New Zealand Exchange Principal, Shelly Fitness, to WOM recently. She was very impressed with the school. She was very interested in all of the resources that we have at our disposal in the province and school board to enhance student achievement and walked away with many new ideas for her own work at St. Michael's School in Rotorua, New Zealand. While she was here, we visited many schools to talk to principals about their School Learning Plans. She did observe that WOM has an incredible welcoming learning vibe and thoroughly enjoyed working and learning with your children and our staff members.

All the best for a great weekend.

Sincerely,

Heather Graham
Principal

UPCOMING EVENTS

MOVIE NIGHT

Featuring ***Peanuts***- will occur on Oct 28. Reserve your seat as space is limited. This promises to be a fun night for all ages! Put on some comfy clothes and prepare to laugh alongside of Charlie Brown and the whole gang. Doors open at 5:30, movie starts at 6.



REMEMBRANCE CONTESTS

We are once again inviting students to participate in the Remembrance Day contests organized by the Royal Canadian Legion. For more information, visit <http://www.legion.ca/youth/contests/>. Forms can be found in the office. Entries must be received at the school by Nov. 25 at 2:30pm

POPCORN DAY

Returning under great demand, our first popcorn day will occur on Nov. 30. Dig out your toonies for this popular munch and crunch!



Congratulations to all of our new school council Executives and Committee Coordinators. We look forward to see what spectacular events are in store for this year.

Council needs YOU!

Council is currently seeking 1 or 2 individuals who want to join us and have some fun! There are two openings:

OCASC Representative: This individual is responsible for attending the OCASC meetings and reporting back to council. OCASC is the Ottawa Carleton Assembly of School Councils, and is a place where representatives from various schools meet and share ideas. They meet the third Thursday of the month in the 2nd floor library at Fisher Park School. For more information about OCASC, please visit <http://ocasc.ca/>. If you're interested in this position, please contact chair@womschoolcouncil.com or attend our next council meeting.

Movie Night Organizer: Our second movie night of the year is scheduled for Jan 20 2017, but it won't happen if we don't have someone to run it! We're looking for an individual who is willing to put together this family-fun event. Don't worry; you won't be going it alone! Our previous organizer will be available to help answer any of your questions. If you're interested in this position, please contact movie@womschoolcouncil.com, or attend our next meeting.

The next school council meeting will be held in the WOM library, Nov 8 at 7pm. We always are looking for fresh input and ideas. Come on out and join in the fun! Hope to see you there. To find out more about school council, visit our webpage <https://www.womschoolcouncil.com/> or join us on Facebook.

Be sure to fill out our volunteer coordinator's survey: <https://goo.gl/forms/tKZxQqHKW92iCNra2> and stay tuned for more fabulous School Council News and Events!

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At the Annual General Meeting on September 20th the Bridlewood Community Association presented a report outlining all of their activities in the past year. The Executive Committee was elected consisting of:

Mark Kozlowski, President

Lorraine Pigeon, 1st Vice President

Marc Favreau, 2nd Vice President

Brenda Merkley, Secretary

Gillian Sullivan, Treasurer

As well, committee chairs were appointed and the Paul Van Steen Sports Achievement Award was presented to Shelby Howard.

The next BCA General meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18 at 7:30 pm, in the Bill Morgan Room of the Eva James CC. At this meeting:

1. We will be presenting the 2016-2017 budget for discussion and approval.
2. Councilor Hubley will be there to talk about what is happening in Kanata South as well as Ottawa and to take your questions.
3. We will be looking for volunteers to fill the following positions Residential Membership Committee Chair, Social Committee Chair, and Annual BBQ Committee Chair as well as members for all committees.

Please contact Mark at pres@bridlewood.ca for more information. All residents are encouraged to attend.

Are you receiving BCA monthly updates? Visit our website at www.bridlewood.ca and click on *subscribe here* to get on our new email list.

Many hands make light work! Do you have a bit of time that you could volunteer to help the BCA with its many activities, events and committees? We have a spot for everyone and for any availability. Do you have a passion for social events, sports, safety, cleaning, writing, meeting new people, development or rinks? We have a committee for that! Consider joining one of our committees, becoming a street rep or attending one of our monthly meetings to find out more. Want more information? Contact Mark at pres@bridlewood.ca to learn how you can help make Bridlewood an even better place to live work and play.

Keeping Bridlewood cleaner! This is a great time to take part in the effort to keep Bridlewood clean. The City of Ottawa is hosting Fall Cleaning the Capital until October 15th so get a small group together, select a portion of a park or other public area to clean up and register online at www.ottawa.ca before the 15th. Want to help out on a regular basis? Learn more about our Garbage Guerrillas by visiting the Cleaner Bridlewood Committee on our website at www.bridlewood.ca or contact Charles at clean@bridlewood.ca for more information.

Have you visited our updated website (www.bridlewood.ca) or our facebook page ([bridlewoodca](https://www.facebook.com/bridlewoodca)) yet? Keep up with what is happening in your neighbourhood and find out about all of the BCA's initiatives and activities. We always want to hear about what is happening in your corner of Bridlewood. Other ways to get involved: become a BCA member, pay your annual dues, attend a meeting, organize a street party, become a street rep or volunteer to help with an event.

The Children's Wish Foundation

Emily Hoar in Grade 6 was inspired by fellow schoolmate Darcy McRae to start fundraising for The Children's Wish Foundation! To date she has raised \$3000 for the foundation. This is her fourth big fundraiser and this time around she is making Christmas ornaments in the Children's Wish

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colours! For a minimum donation of \$5 you can purchase one and help support a great cause! Please message her mom Jennifer at jenhrn98@icloud.com if you are interested in making a donation!

OCTOBER DATES TO NOTE

JR Cross Country – KRC 12:30-2:30	Tuesday, October 18
Boardwide Cross Country – KRC 12:30-2:30	Thursday, October 20
Field Trip to Baxter Conservation – EF7A & EF78A	Monday, October 24
Lockdown Practice 11 am	Wednesday, October 26
Report Cards	Wednesday, November 10
Parent Teacher Interviews –Evening	Thursday, November 17
Parent Teacher Interviews – Morning	Friday, November 18
PD day – NO SCHOOL	Friday, November 18

