

Mary Street Community School
110 Mary St. N.
Oshawa, ON

October 14, 2022



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Over the past month, students have engaged in many great events and learning experiences. Our Terry Fox Run was a huge success and the school raised over \$150 for cancer research. Students also engaged in meaningful learning and reflection on Orange Shirt Day on Sept. 30 and during the days prior.

This month, we have continued our work on mattering and belonging. Staff are infusing the instructional program with real-world learning opportunities to engage students. And today, our entire primary division went on a field trip to Linton's Pumpkin Patch! We are excited to expand the school experience this year to include more field trips and learning in the community.

I look forward to working with you in our shared efforts to support students at Mary Street.

Have a lovely October!

Paul Reed

Principal

QUICK REMINDERS

- **Dress for the Weather.** Students spend over an hour outside each day. Please ensure they have proper clothing on to keep them warm. You can also reach out to the school if your child needs a jacket, gloves, or toque.
- **Water bottle or cup.** Students must bring one from home. We have water bottle filling stations but *no* water fountains.
- **Hot Lunches.** We have started our hot lunch program. Approximately twice per month, students may order from Pizza Pizza or Boston Pizza. Watch for the order forms!



Core Priorities



**Mattering
& Belonging**

**Engagement
& Leadership**

**Academic Achievement
& Gap Closing**

IMPORTANT DATES:

Oct. 24—PD Day (No school)

Oct. 26—Boston Pizza Day

Oct. 27—Photo Retake Day

Oct. 31—Fall-O-Ween event (Gr. 7/8s leading games in the gym)

Nov. 1—Pyjama Day

Nov. 1—SCC Meeting

(5:30pm @ MSCS and online)

Nov. 11—Remembrance Day Assembly

Nov. 17— Progress Report Meetings

Nov. 18—PD Day / Prog. Rep. Meetings

CALENDAR:

<https://marystreet-calendar.ddsb.ca>

SCHOOL UPDATES:

- SchoolMessenger emails
- Newsletters
- Remind App. Sign-up code: @2k3cchh

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (SCC)

The Mary Street *School Community Council* is always looking for new members. The next meeting is on Nov. 1 at 5:30pm. It will be a hybrid model so you could attend virtually. The link will be emailed prior to the meeting. We are also planning to provide free child care for the meeting.

If you would like to donate to the school, we are currently accepting new underwear and pants for JK-Gr.3 as well as gift cards.

SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT



Students in kindergarten have been exploring pumpkins, pine cones, and seeds related to the fall harvest.

SCHOOL VISION

At Mary Street, we focus on creating a learning environment that is engaging and safe for all people. We celebrate our diversity and value collaboration, empathy, and effective problem-solving skills. This is one of our hallway displays.

