



# PAW PRINTS

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It is hard to believe that it is actually December! What a busy fall we have had. Our Indigenous Education month was full of lots of learning. We listened to announcements every day about the history of Indigenous people in Canada and the process of reconciliation. Our journey is a long one to work towards full understanding of this reality. Teachers are working hard to ensure that we embed Indigenous philosophy and content into everything we do at school all year long.

## Get Real

The program is based on being yourself, accepting differences, and helping build compassion in this world. In our changing world, in order to have a safe and accepting school we all need to build awareness around gender diversity.

## Radical Science

Our School Council was accepted for a Parents Reaching Out grant for this year to fund an event to get families in to the school, and involved in their childrens' learning. This year we will be having "Radical Science". Date to be determined.

## Pizza Days

Although we are not having a hot lunch program this year, School Council will be having four pizza days. The dates are: December 8, February 9, April 20, June 15. Stay tuned for details.

## **Student Council**

Our December Spirit Day is: Colour Day: Wear your school clothing or colours!! We will also be collecting food for the local food bank throughout the month of December.

## **Me to We**

Our "Me to We" group attended "We" Day on November 15 in Ottawa. Incredible learning resulted. We will be engaged in three projects this year: "A Look at Cyber Bullying" in November with Mrs. Anderson. Volunteering with Ms. Peterson, and making a film about a local/global issue with Mr. Chase. We have also selected Haiti as our country of focus this year. We will be presenting research about Haiti at our January assembly and raising awareness/funds for Haiti throughout the year.

## **School Council**

### **Fundraisers:**

School council has decided on their two other fundraisers for this year:

Wilton Cheese

Dance-a-thon on February 16

### **Meetings:**

January 23

February 20

April 24

May 22

School Council is also running the **Holiday Shoppe** again this year. Please send in donations Students can purchase a gift for their families on December 20 for \$.25.