



# NICKERSON NEWS

A NEWSLETTER FROM ÉCOLE LEO NICKERSON SCHOOL

October 2023

## WELCOME BACK!!

What a great first month of school we have had! It has been such a pleasure for us to see our returning students and to welcome new families to our school. It has been great to hear children's voices in the halls again and seeing them hard at work.

In our first month of school we have been so fortunate to have a number of fun and exciting activities. Thank you for joining us at the Meet The Staff evening. It was a great opportunity to get to know you all. At our first assembly of the year, we introduced our book of the year, **I Hope (J'espère)**, by Gabrielle Grimard. This book will help us to guide classroom discussions about our hopes and dreams for ourselves and the world around us. At this assembly, we also drew our first names of the year for winners of the monthly spirit pizza party. The following week, these students enjoyed their pizza lunch and met students that they never knew. Our grade six students went to their annual grade six camp at YoWoChAs where they participated in a number of outdoor activities. I know that the students had a lot of fun and were very tired when they came back!

Last week, we were honoured to welcome three-time world champion hoop dancer, Dallas Arcand, who inspired us with his intricate routine and taught us about the significance of hoop dancing. It was such a fantastic and awe-inspiring learning opportunity. This week, students and staff participated in Orange Shirt day to show our commitment to continue on the path of reconciliation.

I look forward to working with you this year. If you have any questions, concerns or ideas you would like to discuss, please feel free to call me at the school or schedule an appointment. I look forward to having a great year of learning with all of you. For more information, please visit our website [www.ln.spschools.org](http://www.ln.spschools.org)

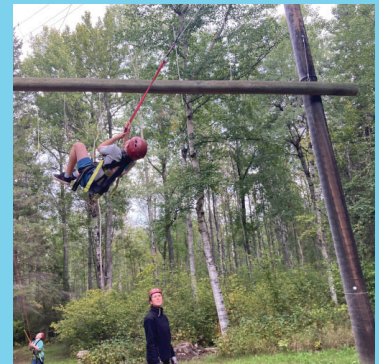
Sincerely,

Michael Erickson, Principal



# NICKERSON FEATURE

Grade 6 at Camp  
Yowochas!



For more detailed information, please check out the calendar on the school website at [ln.spschools.org](http://ln.spschools.org)

# WEEK OF WELCOME

Cookies with new friends, Terry Fox Run and our Annual Corn Roast!!



WOW!!

Our school raised

**\$1791.70**

for the Terry Fox Foundation!

WELL DONE!!



## **DALLAS ARCAND PRESENTATION**



### **MORNING ENTRANCE:**

I would like to thank you for your ongoing support and patience as we have implemented new routines in this school year. As a reminder, we ask that students arrive **no earlier than 8:40 a.m.** as there is no outside supervision before this time. Students will remain outside in the morning and be able to get some fresh air before entering after the bell. In addition, students are reminded that they are asked to make their way home after school and to refrain from playing on the playground (unless with a parent) as there is no supervision at that time.

### **STUDENT DROP OFF AND PICK UP:**

In order to help keep our students safe coming to and from school, please keep note of the following reminders. The student drop off zone in front of the school is an area where parents can drive up, drop their children off and then move on. If you park on the other side of Sycamore Avenue, please remind your children to please cross the road using one of the crosswalks. In addition, the bus lane on Cunningham Road is reserved all day for buses and for before and after school care vans. Please refrain from parking in this area.

### **ANIMALS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY:**

Finally, please know that we love pets. However, we ask that you refrain from bringing your pets on school property as a number of our students have allergies, and others are very fearful of animals. Please help us to keep our students safe.

### **SCHOOL PHOTO RETAKES:**

Please note that we have had our Picture Retake day rescheduled by Lifetouch. The new date is **Wednesday, October 18.**



# OCTOBER

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| 2  | NO SCHOOL: Day in Lieu<br>National Day of Truth & Reconciliation | 12    | Skip the Depot Pick Up - 9:00 am         |
| 4  | No Kindergarten Classes<br>Early Dismissal Grades 1-6 12:25 pm   | 12    | Friends of Leo Nickerson Meeting 7:00 pm |
| 9  | NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving  | 18    | NEW DATE: School Photo Retakes           |
| 10 | NO SCHOOL: Staff PD Day  | 25/26 | Parent-Teacher Interviews                |
|    |  | 30    | School Council Meeting 7:00 pm           |



# NOVEMBER

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| 1 | No Kindergarten Classes<br>Early Dismissal Grade 1-6 12:15 pm | 9  | Friends of Leo Nickerson Meeting 7:00 pm |
| 8 | Skip the Depot Pick Up - 9:00 am                              | 13 | NO SCHOOL: Lieu Day Remembrance Day      |
| 9 | NO SCHOOL: Staff PD Day                                       | 27 | School Council Meeting 7:00 pm           |
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# DECEMBER

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| 5 | Outdoor Pursuits #1                                  | 7     | Friends of Leo Nickerson Meeting 7:00 pm                                   |
| 6 | No Kindergarten Classes<br>Early Dismissal @ 12:25pm | 13/14 | Winter Concert   |
| 7 | Skip the Depot Pick Up 9:00 am                       | 21    | Kindergarten Pancake Breakfast/ Last Day of 2023                           |
|   |  | 22    | Early Dismissal Gr 1-6 12:25pm<br>Pancakes and Pyjamas Breakfast/ Last Day |

**WINTER BREAK: December 23, 2023 - January 7, 2024 Return January 8, 2024**

## PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER!

Ecole Leo Nickerson has made arrangements with Skip the Depot to pick up recyclable bottles, cans, milk jugs and juice containers on the monthly dates noted in the calendar above. If you would like to join in on this fundraising effort, all you need to do is drop off your bag of recyclables on the morning of the scheduled pick up in the front foyer. See Mrs. Johnson in the office for a label for your bag. All of the proceeds of this fundraiser will go towards the new playground.

For more detailed information, please check out the calendar on the school website at [ln.spschools.org](https://ln.spschools.org)