



Elmwood's Senior Kindergarten News

November 2011



Halloween Party

The girls from the “big school” will be organizing a Halloween party for the Junior School students on Monday that will include several games and activities. The girls can come to school wearing a Halloween costume and can wear it all day.

Halloween Candy

We hope that all of the children have an exciting Halloween on Monday. We would like to request that your children enjoy their Halloween “loot” at home, please, unless you are certain that the treats they bring to school are nut-free and the ingredients are written on the wrapper so that we can check them. The ingredients of Halloween candies are often not listed on the wrapper and may include nuts or other products that may be dangerous to some Elmwood students who have serious allergies. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Parent-Teacher interviews for Senior Kindergarten will be held on **Thursday, November 17** from 1:00 onward. I look forward to meeting with you to discuss your child's progress. Please note that the school day ends at 12:30 on that day. Lunch will be provided in the dining room from 12:00 to 12:25, as usual, and we ask parents to please pick up their daughters at 12:30. If you are unable to make arrangements for your child that afternoon, supervision will be provided for a limited number of children from 12:30 onward. Please contact Mrs. Sarah Hay if you are interested in registering your daughter for childcare that afternoon.

Scholastic Book Orders

If you wish to order Scholastic books for Christmas, birthday gifts, etc., please write me a note and I will put the items in a bag and give it to you or your child's caregiver personally in order to keep it a secret.

School Photo Retakes

The date for the school photo retakes is Friday, October 28.

Warm Clothing and Food Drive

This is just a reminder that this week is our annual *Warm Clothing and Food Drive*. It began on Monday and will continue until next Tuesday (November 1). It is a House competition and the House that donates the most items will have a civvies day.

PYP Unit

The next PYP unit is called *Toy Story* and will begin on Monday, November 21. The students will learn all about different kinds of toys from around the world, current-day toys and those from the past. I will send an information newsletter with more details about this unit in a few weeks.

Mystery Animal

Thank you so much to the parents who have signed up as volunteers to pick up the animals from the Canadian Museum of Nature on Wednesdays. We would not be able to have the *Mystery Animal* program without your help. If you haven't signed up yet and think you will be able to go to the Museum for us, please sign up on the form outside our classroom or send me an email and I will put your name on the list.

University of Ottawa Student

A University of Ottawa education student named Jordan Hoy will be in our class from Monday, October 31 to Friday, November 25. When you have a chance, please say hello to him.

Dates to make note of:

- ❖ Monday, October 31 – NO BALLETT due to Halloween
- ❖ November 11 – PD day – no school
- ❖ November 14 – School holiday – no school
- ❖ Friday, November 18 – International Night. This is always a wonderful show, but can be quite long. Afterwards, there is usually a buffet of delicious international foods.
- ❖ Wednesday, November 23 – Nightingale House Day. Girls in Nightingale House may wear their House colours all day.

Happy Halloween!