

# Spruce Home Public School



# October 2025

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Hello Fall		<b>1</b> Kindergarten	2 X-Country Extravaganza Boston Pizza orders due	<b>3</b> Kindergarten Walkathon	4
5	<b>6</b> Kindergarten	7	8 Kindergarten Boston Pizza Lunch	9	PLC No Classes	11
12	13  ***********************************	14	15 Kindergarten Picture Retakes	SCC Meeting @ 6:30	17 Kindergarten Walkathon Pledges Due	18
19	20 Kindergarten	21	<b>22</b> Kindergarten Poutine Lunch \$5	23	<b>24</b> Family Halloween Dance 7-10pm	25
26	27 Kindergarten	28	29 Kindergarten Free Soup Lunch	30	31 Kindergarten Black/Orange/ Costume Day	



A big shoutout to all the awesome volunteers who help make the Cross-Country Extravaganza such a great event! We've got so many community members pitching in—whether it's working the canteen, helping at the finish line, supporting along the course, or just lending a hand wherever it's needed. Every bit of help makes a difference and keeps things running smoothly. And a special thanks to PR Septic from Christopher Lake for donating porta-potty services for our athletes and spectators—we really appreciate it!

### Administrator's Message

September has been a wonderful month at Spruce Home Public School. We were able to gather for an amazing welcome back supply drop off evening (Backpack night) and connect staff and community members, while easing anxious moments students may have about the new school year ahead and meeting their new teachers.

Students have been busy adjusting to new routines, class spaces, and aligning with classmates. We participated in a welcome back assembly where we discussed school expectations, safety, and the fun that we can have while learning. We are still waiting to revisit our school mascot, Hero! This final week of September has witnessed our participation in Canada's Calls to Action for Truth and Reconciliation. We've learned about treaties, about the character education offered in teepee teachings, the significance of Orange Shirt Day, and a pathway full of hope demonstrating mutual respect for all people in our country.

The month of October looks to be just as exciting as September. Our cross-country running Extravaganza will happen on October 2nd, our walkathon on October 3rd, Picture Retake Day on October 15th, there will be a couple of hot lunches, and some engagement assemblies to keep students focused and striving for our math goal. See the attached calendar for all the details. If at any time you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to reach out to the school or to myself in the office. We are always more than happy to address concerns and seek out that mutual understanding. Enjoy the month ahead.

Mr. R. Feschuk





### Grade K/1/2 News

Happy Harvest and Fall Spruce Home Families! In K/1/2 we have been busy practicing our classroom routines. Everyone is adjusting well to routines, and we are getting into the swing of things! Your child has the opportunity to talk and be respectfully heard each morning during our morning greeting. The class loves this time of connection. Thanks to those of you checking your child's agenda daily. We will always send notes home in the front pocket, and students will write in the agenda 2-3 times a week. In UFLI phonics, we have learned: Oll, Ull, All endings; double endings: ff, ss, zz, ll; and digraphs like ck, and sh. In K Math, we are learning numbers to 10. In grade 1 Math, we are learning to form our numbers properly and learning to sequence numbers to 30. Mrs. Shillington

#### **Grade 3/4 News**

September has flown by and the 3/4 class has been very busy learning! In Science, the students have been examining structures and have enjoyed some experiments and builds to help their understanding. In Social Studies, they have been studying maps and globes and learning how to find where we are in the world. The class continues to use the UFLI for their word study and Guided Reading groups for further word practice. During snack every day the students enjoyed hearing the book "The Hoboken Chicken Emergency" by Daniel

Pinkwater. Please ask your child what the emergency was. The class is looking forward to moving into all things October such as Thanksgiving and Halloween. We love fall!

Mrs. Wagner

## Grade 5/6 News

What a great first month we've had together—it's been wonderful getting to know everyone in our Grade 5/6 class. In ELA, we are hard at work in our Historical Fiction unit. We are also working on writing complete sentences and setting personal writing goals. In Science, we are exploring Human Body Systems, with a current focus on the respiratory system. In Social Studies, we are learning about the Indigenous heritage in Canada. Grade 5 Math has been exploring numbers to 1 000 000 and representing them in many different ways. Next, we will move into decimals. We have had a great start, and we're looking forward to another exciting month of learning and growth! ~Mrs. Roth

### Grade 7/8 News

In September in Science, the grade 7/8 class made bird feeders out of recycled materials. We filled them with birdseed and hung them from trees around the playground. We are hoping to feed some hungry birds this fall!

We also enjoyed a guided hike at Prince Albert National Forest through the Boundary Bog where we learned about flora and fauna as well as the history of the bog.

In ELA, students were reading editorials written by other students and then researching an issue or topic of concern for them. They will then write their own editorial pieces.

The 7/8 class has also been doing some collaboration to create houses made of cards, putting together puzzles using different techniques, as well as doing some coding.

-Mrs. Parsons

#### **Band News**

Band and Choir are off to a great start this year! The 5/6 class attended the Beginner Band Clinic at Plaza 88 on Monday, Sept. 29, and had a great day learning the basics of their respective instruments. Let's Go, Band!

-Mrs. Ginter



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