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Newsletter #9

March 4, 2019

Message from the Principal...

Last Wednesday was unique as we celebrated two annual events in one day – our Science & Innovation Fair and Pink Shirt Day. Thanks to all who encouraged the children; they often gathered in seas of pink among the gym full of displays, dioramas, and exhibits. Totally cool and fun. Congratulations to all students who participated in the fair and to everyone who wore pink. We especially acknowledge our six students selected to travel to the District fair at Surrey center this Thursday. Best of luck to these students: Chance H., *Can Super Worms and Meal Worms Help the Environment?*; Angelina D. & Charlize H. *Dianthus, Does playing music to flowers affect their growth?*; Armaan K. & Gurleen V., *Can Water Float on Water?*; Micah A., *Sound Vibrations*.

As well, many thanks to district science helping teacher Mr. Craig Sutton for volunteering to be a school judge. Assisting Mr. Sutton in judging was Mrs. MacDonald, our librarian, and myself. It was tough assignment choosing projects. We are confident the school is well-represented at the fair, held this Thursday, at Surrey Center from 4:30 pm onward. The mall is host site to hundreds of science projects, selected from Surrey's elementary schools. Each school can send up to four projects per school. It is a fun family event and the kids learn so much from each other. And the projects are always impressive too!



Finally, our school choir gave “a truly delightful performance” in the district’s annual Choral Festival at the Bell Center Friday, according to adjudicator Ms. Sandra Meister. Directed by our music teacher Mr. Mak, the choir was led in the second of three songs by three senior members: Julie H., Jocelyn P., and Kaitlyn P. The choir drew much praise including “lovely, free, clear tone”, “great rhythmic accuracy”, and great attentiveness to Mr. Mak. Thank you to parents who attended this event. Your support was appreciated!

Safe Journeys on Spring Break!

Mr. J. Morrison

Check out the calendar on page 4

Wildcat “Paw-sitive”

Starting this week, we begin a positive-behaviour program. Students can receive a “Wildcat Paw-sitive” for showing CATS behaviour: Caring, Accountable, Trustworthy, Safe. If a staff member notices a student acting in a CATS manner, the student might receive a “paw-sitive” note. The student is asked to put the “paw-sitive” into a box by the office.

Every week, about five or so names will be drawn and announced over the PA system. They’ll also receive a small token of appreciation from Mr. Morrison, on behalf of the school community.

This also supports our CATS assemblies, held six times per school year. At the assemblies, teachers select students who exemplify CATS behaviour in the classroom and throughout the school. This includes students who show improvement in self-regulation of his/her behaviour and overall, more self-responsibility as a learner and citizen. .



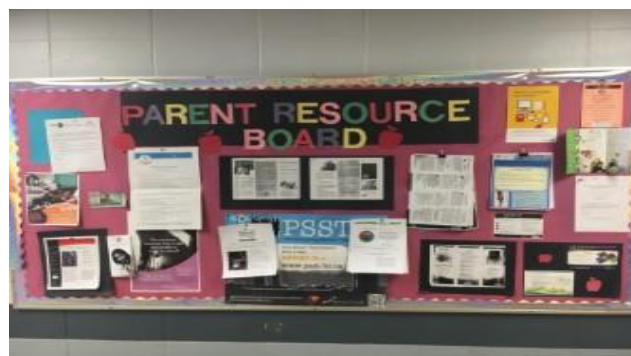
A paw print shaped form with the title "Wildcat Paw-sitive" at the top. Below the title are fields for "Date:", "Student's Name:", and "Paw-sitive behaviour(s) seen:". Under the last field are four checkboxes labeled "Caring", "Accountable", "Trustworthy", and "Safe". At the bottom is a line for "Signed by:".

THANK YOU for your support from **The Kindness Club**, led by primary teacher Ms. Kay. It recently raised \$463.88 for B.C. Children’s Hospital Foundation, with a Brownie Sale. The sale was held in conjunction with the school’s PAC. Awesome collaboration.

Recent message from The 2018 Terry Fox School Foundation: The Run was a great success! We are proud to announce that Don Christian Elementary generously donated **\$2,385.95** for cancer research. Thirty-nine years ago, determined to make a difference in the lives of those living with

cancer, Terry ignited a fundraising movement that cannot be stopped. Today, because of schools like yours, his message of hope echoes loudly in the voices of students and families everywhere. The Terry Fox Foundation extends to you a heartfelt thank you for your wonderful generosity to continue Terry’s legacy. Be proud and know that together, we are making a difference.

Check out the Parent Resource Board inside the school, straight ahead through main entry, right side. Resources from Surrey Schools as well as outside agencies. Please say hello to the office first. Thanks!

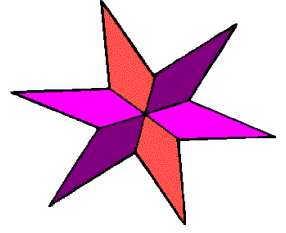
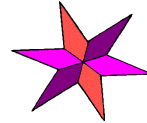
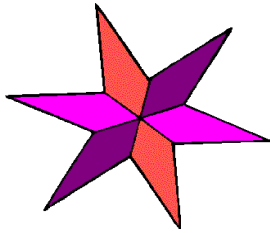


~~ The next PAC meeting is tonight at 6:30 pm in the library.~~

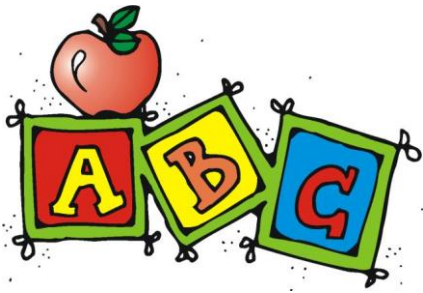
C.A.T.S.
February 2019

At our Assembly on **Tuesday, February 26, 2019**, the following students were recognized for their achievement in four areas:

C is for Caring
A is for Accountable
T is for Trustworthy
S is for Safe



Division 1:	Haylee P.	Jocelyn P.	Alexia H.	Kristine A.	Andrew D.
Division 2:	Jenna F.	Jackson N.	Matias S.	Addison N.	
Division 3:	Thomas S.	Luca L.	Gurtej G.	Charlize H.	Dylan M.
Division 4:	Jackson A.	Shiane S.	Zoey C.	Eva L.	Lydia K.
Division 5:	Belina K.	Sukhraj D.	Hunter D.	Nate O.	Mackenzie V.
Division 6:	Jovan B.	Tyesha D.	Hashim K.	Rory S.	
Division 7:	Davis A.	Jordan B.	Alexis B.	Joshua W.	
Division 8:	Logan S.	Krishiv S.			
Division 9:	Mason F.	Mikayla H.	Ella G.	Cameron S.	
Division 10:	Wyatt L.	Mariam B.	Marwas T.	Maya Y.	
Division 11:	Sadie B.	Lucas D.	Ethan F.	Joss C.	
Division 12:	Katie S.				
Division 13:	Mattias B.	Tyce H.	Mankeerat D.		
Division 14:	Ryan P.	Danielle S.			
Division 15:	Ryan B.	Tyler B.	Kavan D.	Manat D.	
Division 16:	Bella L.				
Division 17:	Brielle A.	Dexter R.	Luke B.	Param M.	Isabella C.



March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Choir – Bell Centre 9 am – 12 pm 	2
3	4	5	6 Talent Show 1 pm 	7 District Science Fair 	8 Report Card #2 	9
1	11 PAC Mtg. 7:00 pm	12 Spirit Day – Favourite Hat Day  	13 Early Dismissal @ 1:30pm – Parent / Teacher Conferences	14	15 Last day beofre Spring Break Spirit Day-Star Wars	16 Spring Break
17 Spring Break	18 Spring Break	19 Spring Break	20 Spring Break	21 Spring Break	22 Spring Break	23 Spring Break
24 Spring Break	25 Spring Break	26 Spring Break	27 Spring Break	28 Spring Break	29 Spring Break	30 Spring Break

