

Blumenort School Newsletter

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Terry Fox Run

Our annual Terry Fox Run was held right here at Blumenort School on Thursday, September 28th. Thank you to Mrs. Tufford and our staff for organizing the event and also to our students for your great participation. Overall, we collected more than \$800 through pledges and the "Toonies for Terry" program. Thank you for your support!



Thanksgiving Lunch

We are excited to be hosting our annual Thanksgiving lunch once again on **Tuesday, October 3rd** at noon. Each student will receive a bowl of chicken noodle soup and a bun. Classroom teachers will be sending out notices requesting desserts and drinks from the families in their class. We are also asking for a \$2.00 donation from each student to help to cover some of the cost of the event. This event is a wonderful tradition in Blumenort School and we look forward to seeing all our students gathering together to share a meal. A special thank you to our staff, parent volunteers and our Student Leaders for assisting us with the set-up, serving and cleanup of this wonderful tradition!

Subway Cookie Dough & Muffin Fundraiser

Our Subway Frozen Cookie Dough and Muffin Fundraiser is quickly coming to a close. Here are a few reminders...

- All orders and money should be turned into the school by Friday, October 6th.
- Any cheques should be made payable to Blumenort School.
- Great prizes will be available to sellers.
- The product will be delivered two weeks after all the order forms are collected.

School Safety & The Lines of Communication Update

Now that we are heading into the month of October, we again need to pay close attention to the safety concerns that arise at the front of the school. We all need to cooperate and follow some basic rules to ensure that we keep our children safe.

- Please remember that private vehicles need to avoid using our bus loop. After school however, once the busses have left, our bus loop will be available for student pickup. We ask that our students and our drivers are aware of the increased traffic in such a small area and to be cautious as you enter and leave.
- Secondly, we would like to remind all parents, relatives and visitors to please check in at the main office when you arrive at our school. From there we will be able to help you with your concerns.

Farm Credit Canada Drive Away Hunger

Blumenort School is participating in the Farm Credit Corporation Drive Away Hunger program by collecting donations of food for people who are hungry in our area. Food collection bags have been sent home and the FCC tractor will arrive at our school on Friday, October 6th @ 9:30am for pickup.

Fire Prevention Week

Fire Prevention Week is October 8-14, 2017. This year's theme is "Every Second Counts - Plan 2 Ways Out!" At Blumenort School, our Grade 4 students will be participating in a special session with members of the Hanover Fire Department while our Grade 1 students will visit the Steinbach Fire Hall.

Bus Safety Week

School Bus Safety Week will be observed October 16-20, 2017. The week is an opportunity for students to receive school bus ridership training; for reminding parents and the motoring public to be particularly careful around school bus vehicles; and, for school divisions to examine their pupil transportation practices. Although the school bus safety week theme changes annually, one message remains constant – be aware and be safe around the school bus.

PAC Annual General Meeting

If you have a desire to get more involved in the school and make an impact, consider joining the PAC! Our Annual General Meeting is set for Wednesday, October 18th at 12:00 at the school. Everyone is welcome to attend, even those who simply have questions or concerns they'd like to express. We look forward to seeing you there!

Hanover Parent & Child Community Program @ Blumenort School

The Hanover Parent and Child Community Program would like to invite Blumenort parents and their preschool children to visit our free weekly program each Monday from 9:30am-11:30pm - Starting September 25, 2017 to June 4, 2018 in Room A1. Please note that families can attend weekly or just drop in when they can. We will follow the school schedule according to closure days. Finally, we ask that parents please park in the designated street parking areas.

Show & Save

In preparation for our Grade 7&8 Red Rock Adventure in January of 2019 (16 months away) we will be in touch with all current Grade 6&7 students/families to offer them the opportunity to sell Show and Save Cards. Our fundraising will run from Friday, October 6th - Friday, October 27th. More info can be found by checking out www.showandsavecard.com

Cross-Country Running Provincials

Congratulations to our Grade 5-8 students who participated in the Cross-Country Provincials in Winnipeg this past Wednesday. Well done to Spencer P. who finished 2nd; Christina P. also 2nd; Jude P. finished 5th; Janessa S. finished 7th and Jillian P. finished 9th! All the best to our runners in their final run today (Sept. 29th) and congratulations to all of our runners on a fine season!

International Walk to School Day

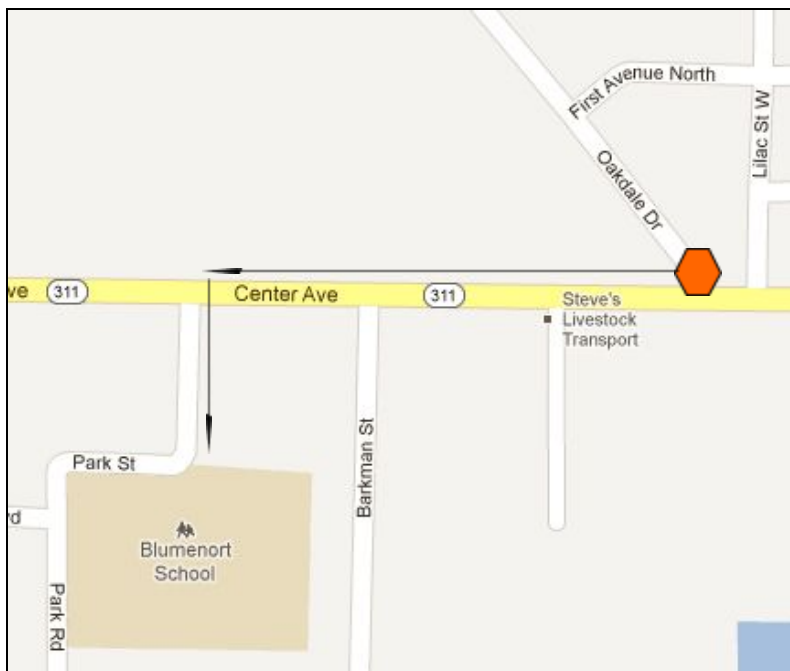
October is **International Walk to School Month (IWALK)**. This gives parents, students, teachers and community leaders an opportunity to be part of a global event as we celebrate the many benefits to walking. On Wednesday, October 4th, we encourage everyone to walk or bike to school. Let's celebrate IWALK day!

International Walk to School is more than just getting together with children and going for a walk to school as a special event. This is certainly important, but the event's greater aim is to bring forth permanent change in communities across the globe. Below are just a few of its goals:

- **Encourage physical activity** by teaching children the skills to walk safely, how to identify safe routes to school, and the benefits of walking
- **Raise awareness of how walkable a community is** and where improvements can be made
- **Raise concern for the environment**
- **Reduce crime and take back neighborhoods** for people on foot
- **Reduce traffic congestion, pollution, and speed** near schools
- **Share valuable time with local community leaders, parents, and children**

IWALK info for those coming on the School Bus:

- Drop-off Location: Our busses will stop on Oakdale Drive just in front of the Oakdale Apartments.
- Walking Route: Our bus students will walk on the north sidewalk to the crosswalk and then to the school.



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>2</p> <p>HPCCP @ 9:30</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 1</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p>Thanksgiving Lunch @12:05</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 2</i></p>	<p>4</p> <p>International Walk to School Day</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 3</i></p>	<p>5</p> <p>PAC Domino's Pizza Hot Lunch</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 4</i></p>	<p>6</p> <p>FCC Drive Away Hunger Pickup</p> <p>Cookie Dough Fundraiser due</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 5</i></p>
<p>9</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day NO CLASSES</p>	<p>10</p> <p>Fire Prevention Week (Oct 10-13)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 6</i></p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>PAC Subway Pizza Hot Lunch</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 2</i></p>	<p>13</p>
<p>16</p> <p>HPCCP @ 9:30</p> <p>School Bus Safety Week (Oct 16-20)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 4</i></p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>PAC AGM @ 12:00</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 6</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p>PAC McDonald's Hot Lunch</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 1</i></p>	<p>20</p> <p>MTS Day NO CLASSES</p>
<p>23</p> <p>HPCCP @ 9:30</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 2</i></p>	<p>24</p> <p>HSD Public Budget Consultation 7pm @ HSD Office</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 3</i></p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p>PAC JT's Diner Hot Lunch</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 5</i></p>	<p>27</p> <p>Grade 6&7 Show & Save due</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 6</i></p>
<p>30</p> <p>Admin/PD Day NO CLASSES</p>	<p>31</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 1</i></p>	<p>1</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 2</i></p>	<p>2</p> <p>PAC Domino's Pizza Hot Lunch</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 3</i></p>	<p>3</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Day 4</i></p>