



Poltimore Elementary School October 2021 Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Staff and students have enjoyed a positive return to school. All of our classes learned about Indigenous culture and history during the month of September. We held an assembly on the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, where students shared their learning, and spent time reflecting on the legacy of the residential school system.

While the challenges of the pandemic continue, our entire school family remains positive and is working hard to follow all health protocols to ensure that we stay healthy and safe. The atmosphere in our school is upbeat, and our focus continues to be on creating great learning experiences for all!

Please read through the newsletter to stay up-to-date on the many happenings at school.

A reminder that I am happy to connect if you have questions or concerns.

Stay healthy and safe!

warm regards,

Amy Curry

Important Dates

Friday October 8

Terry Fox Walk

Monday October 11

Thanksgiving Monday
No Classes for Students

Thursday October 14

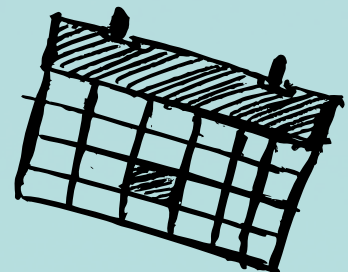
Professional Development Day
No Classes for Students

Friday October 15

Professional Development Day
No Classes for Students

Week of October 25

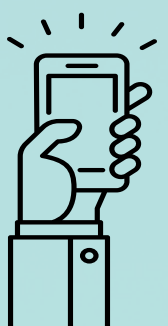
Halloween Fun Week



Attendance Reminder

Please report your child's absence, and reason for absence to our school secretary, Margit Pedersen. You can contact Ms. Pedersen via email (mpedersen@wqsb.qc.ca) or phone (819)457-2337 ext. 1.

Your co-operation is appreciated!





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Halloween Fun Week: October 25-29

Classes will take part in some spooky fun during the week of October 25 -29

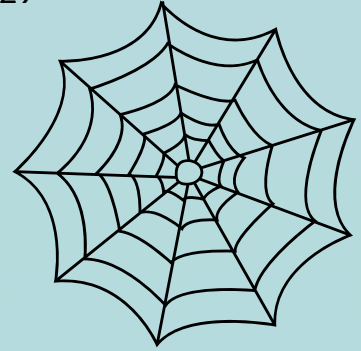
Monday, October 25: School Wide Pumpkin Patch Art Activity

Tuesday, October 26: Door Decorating Challenge

Wednesday, October 27: Door Decorating Challenge Continues!

Thursday, October 28: Spooky Stories in the Gym

Friday, October 29: Costume Day!*, Halloween Bingo in the Afternoon

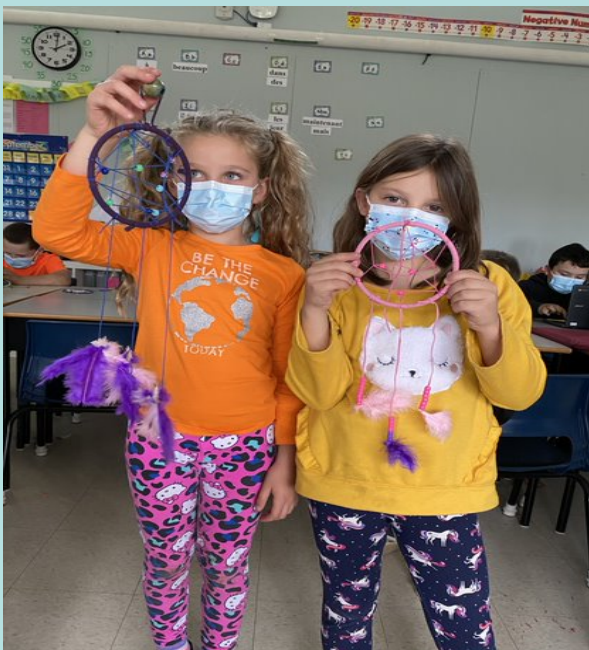


*Costume Day Information

- Students who wish to wear their costumes to school should arrive in costume
- Masks and weapons that are part of costumes are not permitted at school
- If a student does not want to wear a costume to school, dressing in orange and black is another option.

Dreamcatchers

Ms. Hogan's grade 3 and 4 class has learned a great deal about Indigenous culture and history. On the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, students spent time learning about and making Dreamcatchers.





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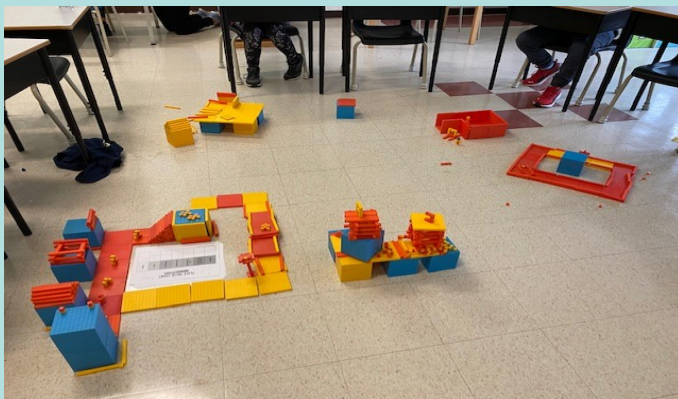
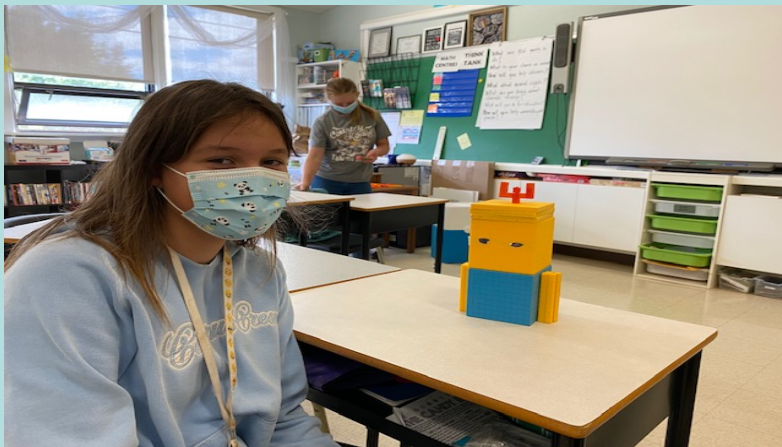
Apples, Apples, Apples!

Ms. A's grade 1 and 2 class has been learning ALL about apples. Their classroom has been filled with apple stories, apple writing, apple art and of course, apple taste-testing! Some of the apples were a little bit tart.



Math Minds at Work!

Ms. Whiting's grade 5 and 6 class has been working on exploring place value, composing and decomposing numbers and powers of ten by building structures and villages out of base ten blocks. Check out their amazing creations!

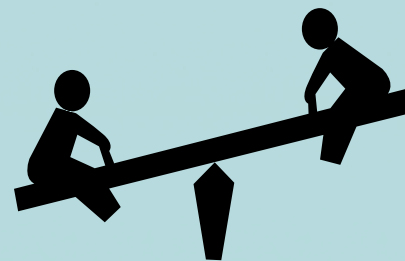




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Home and School Update

The Home and School Association is planning to fundraise this year to improve our school yard play structures. The structures are requiring repairs and/or replacement. Parents who are interested in supporting this project and assisting in fundraising efforts are asked to contact Tasha Lebel via email (tashalebel@hotmail.com).



Governing Board

Poltimore Elementary School Governing Board 2021-2022 has been established.

The members are:

Parent Representatives:

Tasha Lebel (Chairperson)

Lisa Cheslock

Melanie Leveille

Sabrina MacQuat

Staff Representatives:

Amy Curry

Katie Cross

Melanie Hogan

Mandy Last

Anita Snelgrove

WQSB Commissioner:

Rhonda Boucher

Covid-19 Protocol Reminders

Thank you for continuing to follow the Public Health Guidelines related to Covid-19.

Please screen your child(ren) each morning for symptoms. Consult the [self-assessment tool](#) in order to determine next steps.

If your child(ren) presents with symptoms while at school, he/she will be isolated and you will be contacted to pick him/her up.

Rapid tests are now available at school. If your child is isolated due to symptoms, you will be contacted and can choose to have your child tested while at school. No child will be tested without parental consent.

Feel free to contact Principal Amy Curry with any questions or concerns related to Covid -19 protocols.

Your ongoing support and co-operation is greatly appreciated by our team!



IMPORTANT!!!

When reporting a student absence, please explain the reason. If your child is staying home due to Covid symptoms, we need to ensure that public health protocols are being followed. If your child is home for non-Covid reasons, kindly let us know.

Questions? Concerns? Feel free to contact the principal anytime.

You can reach Amy Curry by phone at 819-457-2335 or email at acurry@wqsb.qc.ca