VERNON RIVER CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL
Newsletter #4
Tuesday, October 24th, 2023
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David Wood, Principal **Lori Targett, Vice-Principal**

School Day: Reminder that the school day begins 10 minutes earlier this year. Buses unload at 8:35, and all students being dropped off should arrive at that time as well. The first bell of the day rings at 8:40, followed by O'Canada and the morning announcements, with the **first class of the day starting at 8:45.**

Grade 9 Bake Sale:
Thank you to everyone who purchased items at the grade 9 bake sale, a total of $500.65 was raised!

Cross Country:
Congratulations to the VRCS Cross Country team who participated in the Zone 4 meet on October 11th at Southern Kings Consolidated School. The athletes represented the school really well and 4 athletes competed at Provincials on October 21st – May McQuillan, Paisley Drake, Jack Doyle and Jaynie MacKinnon. Great job by everyone who participated!

Golf: A big well done to our boys' golf team for an awesome day of play at the Provincials at Avondale on Wednesday October 11th!

Beckett Campbell competed in the singles event and finished with an impressive score of 45. Followed by the team scramble event which included Beckett Campbell, Nick Powers and Mason MacKenzie, finishing with an overall score of 41.

No Classes – October 27th:
Reminder that there will be no classes on Friday, October 27th – Professional Learning Day.

Grade 9 Fundraisers: The following fundraisers are scheduled for the last week of October, with proceeds going to the grade 9 end of year activities.

Theme Days - $1.00 for each theme day, or whatever donation you can make would be greatly appreciated.

Monday, October 30th
(Orange and Black Day)

Tuesday, October 31st
(Costume Day - No Masks)

Wednesday, November 1st
(P.J. Day)

Thursday, November 2nd
(Anything But a Back-Pack Day)

Friday, November 3rd
(Hat Day/Crazy Hair Day)

Thank you for supporting the grade 9 class in their fundraising efforts!

Student of the Month Assembly for October:
Student of the month assembly for October will be held on Friday, November 3rd at 2:15pm.

School Picture Proofs:
School picture proofs are due back to the school by Wednesday, November 1st. You may also view and order your pictures online at **mylifetouch.ca** by using the Portrait ID and Access Code included on the proof sheet.

School Picture Retakes:
School picture retakes are scheduled for Wednesday, November 8th. If you are requesting a retake, please indicate on the order form, and send your child's proof portrait sheet to his/her teacher prior to the retake date. Any students who were absent on picture day will automatically have their picture taken on retake day.

Halloween Invitation From The Buddhist Nuns of PEI: It's that time of year again! We'd love to invite all the students at VRCS to our monastery on the East Uigg Road for trick-or-treating again this year! We look forward to seeing you on October 31st!

No Classes: Parents are reminded there will be no classes on the following days in November:

Monday, November 13th
(Statutory Holiday - Remembrance Day)

Thursday and Friday, November 16th and 17th (PEITF Annual Convention/ CUPE Meetings)

Friday, November 24th (Parent-Teacher Interviews)

PEI Home and School Federation - Home and School News, November 2023:

SIGN UP for FREE Volunteer Training
The Federation is hosting two Home & School Training Workshops. Parents, teachers, and students may attend! Workshops are designed to enhance Home & School effectiveness and parent engagement in public education. New volunteer executive members should attend these sessions.

Monday, Nov. 6th
6:30–8:00 p.m.
Miscouche Consolidated School

Tuesday, Nov. 7th
6:30–8:00 p.m.
West Royalty Elementary School

Sign-Up by Nov. 4th by emailing Shirley at: ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca … Or call 902-620-3186 / 1-800-916-0664. No Cost. Light refreshments provided.

Reminder: 2023-2024 Membership Fees
Home and School Association Treasurers are reminded to submit this school year's membership fees by November 1st. You can now pay by e-transfer to peihsf@gov.pe.ca OR mail cheques to the Federation office. Questions? 902-620-3186 / ssmedleyjay@gov.pe.ca

Parent Leadership Grants
Parent Leadership Project grants for up to $500 are available to Home and School Associations. Leadership projects are to focus on parent leadership and engagement in your school community.
Go to: https://peihsf.ca/grants.
Submission deadline: Nov. 30th.

Recognition and Awards Programme 2023-2024
Awards recognize deserving individuals in school communities. The P.E.I. Home and School Federation's 2023-2024 Programme begins with the Crossing Guard Award Nominations due Nov. 24th.
Find more details online at PEIHSF Awards

ADD this to your agenda…
1. Plan a productive Home and School meeting by identifying tasks and duties

2. Focus agenda items on educational objectives/outcomes that work to benefit all students

3. Involve everyone around the meeting table

4. Ask the principal for a school report

5. Practice basic parliamentary procedure

Happenings in our community…
Donagh Home & School's Craft Fair will be held on Sat., Nov. 18, 2023, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. at Donagh Regional School (928 Bethel Road, Donagh).

Literacy Champion Award - Call for nominations for our Literacy Champion Award. This award recognizes leadership and commitment in the field of literacy and lifelong learning. For more information, contact Amanda Beazley, PEI Literacy Alliance www.peiliteracy.ca

Dyslexia Canada - Alicia Smith, Executive Director of Dyslexia Canada, to speak about Dyslexia & The Right to Read on Oct. 25, 6-7 p.m. at Three Oaks Senior High School, Summerside.

Live Well PEI accepting applications for Wellness Grant Program
Community organizations may apply for Community Catalyst Grants. Schools may apply for School Health Grants. ($2,500, $5,000, and $7,500). Applications for both grant streams will be accepted online until 9:00 AM on Nov. 6, 2023. More info at: PEI Wellness Grant Program

Dates to remember:
November 11th
Remembrance Day

November 20th
National Child Day

November 21st – 27th
Canada History Week