

The Eagle News

Irwin Memorial Public School



OCTOBER, 2019

Principal: Ian Patterson
Office Administration: Kim

Trustee: Bruce Reain
Superintendent: Dave

Principal's Message

Important Dates

Oct 23rd—Photo Retakes

Oct 25th—PA Day

Oct 27th—Disc Golf Tournament

Safe Arrival

If your child is going to be late or absent from school, please call our safe arrival line before 8:30 am. If a student arrives after 8:35 am, they are considered late and must be signed in by a parent/guardian and receive a late slip.

705-635-1661

School Messenger

By now, families should have received several information messages sent by our school messenger system. If you have not received these messages, please check your "junk" or "spam" folders.

We kindly ask that all after school arrangements made between students/parents/friends be confirmed before coming to school. This helps the office eliminate congestion and frees up our phone lines for school related use.

Dear Families:

So much to be thankful for in October. Our students continue to do great things!

Irwin raised over \$1,600 for cancer research through our Terry Fox Run, over \$3,000 was brought in for students impacted by Hurricane Dorian on Green Turtle Cay in the Bahamas and our annual Thanksgiving Feast was amazing (Thank you School Council!). I have learned a new appreciation for pigs, that's right, pigs! Mrs. Conner's class read 100 books in record time to ensure that I had a date to kiss Simba the pig, a kiss to remember! (but not repeated)

We continue to look forward to many more activities in the weeks ahead. Basketball season is starting, a disk golf tournament is around the corner and of course, Halloween! Rock Band is in full swing, amazing sounds coming from the gym jam sessions.

We encourage parents to reach out with questions at any time. Our next Parent Council meeting will be on November 4th at 3:15, please join us.

Enjoy the fall colours while we can!
Ian



THANKFUL



Need Assistance?

The Society of St. Paul De Vincent has implemented an assistance program to students and families attending schools in the area. If you or someone in your family needs financial assistance, you make a confidential call to **705-789-0008** for more information.

Bus Safety...

Parents/Guardians who pick up their children from school are kindly requested to **wait in the foyer or just outside the front door**. This ensures a safe and orderly dismissal routine for all students. If you should need to pick up your child early, please report to the office and sign your child out. The office staff will then

contact the class and have your child meet you at the office. However, we do wish for students to stay at school to the end of the day, if possible.



We send out information to families and the community in a variety of ways:



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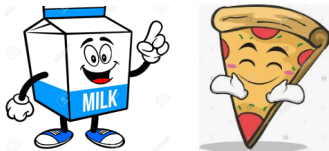
See the link on our website

Pizza/Milk

Every Tuesday is Pizza Day at Irwin and everyday is Milk Day! If you wish to order, please fill out the forms and send, along with the correct amount of payment, back to school with your child to give to their teacher.

Coming Soon

Order your child's pizza and milk online. It's easy, convenient and you don't have to worry about forgetting!



What is "The Lounge" Program?

The Shania Kids Can Program was founded by Shania Twain several year ago to help provide academic, nutritional and social support on a daily basis. We provide a safe and confidence building environment that's adequate for students to learn and develop. We also give support through listening and assisting students with difficulties in which life presents them. All children have the option for nutritious food and snacks and the program also aims to provide students with vocational training through guest speakers and educational field trips. We teach practical life and social skills as well as focusing on academic assistance while working with staff members to ensure adequate support. Sometimes, we do help to provide financial support to some families and assist with new school supplies, warm clothes for winter and support for field trips and extracurricular activities.
Nicole Caracciolo
SKC Program Leader

Disc Golf

We will be having our first ever disc golf tournament on Sunday October 27th at 3pm here at the school. It will be a "Best Ball" tournament with teams of two (one parent/guardian and one child). The cost is \$20 per pair. Each pair will receive a custom Irwin Eagles disc golf as well as a refreshment after the tournament. No need to preregister! Hope to see you on the 27th !



Irwin Staff 2019/2020

Classroom Educators

JK/SK	Melanie Maxwell & DECE Sarah Cripps
Grade 1/2	Kirsten Connor
Grade 3/4	Darlene Rudd
Grade 5	Catherine West
Grade 6/7	Kent Maxwell
Grade 7/8	Wendy Murray

Core French & SERT

Bernadette Lovegrove

Special Education Resource Teachers

Peter Yungblut

Teaching and Learning Coach

Kate Pellerin

Educational Assistants

Sharon Brant, Sanday Brown

Library Clerk

Heather Wilkins

Custodial Staff

Tracy Wagar , Nancy Sovereign

Lounge Program Lead

Nicole Caracciolo



School Council

School Council had a great first meeting. Our minutes and treasurer's report will be on the website for you to read.

We will be hosting our 3rd annual Thanksgiving Lunch for the students/staff on Oct 10th. This meal is possible because of our school garden. Volunteers Needed! This day takes many hands.

Fresh from the Farm Fundraiser is a chance to buy Ontario grown veggies or apples. Forms and money are due on Oct 11th.

Our wish list is always being updated as items are purchased or donated (last year included stage lights, graduates' dinner, picnic tables, disc golf course, Thanksgiving Lunch). We are now looking for material, thick yarn, thread, zippers etc., for our Maker Space. The new picnic tables are a hit with the Intermediates and we would love some for the primary grades that are lower to the ground. Looking for a set of Lincoln logs for outdoors. If you can make any of these or have supplies, let us know!

Dwight Library News

Slime Saturdays! Make and bring home different kinds of slime! Must sign up in advance at the Dwight Library. Only 12 spots available per session. Kids 7 and up, younger kids welcome with adult accompaniment. Oct 5th and 19th.



After School Club: Engaging activities, including; science experiments, exploring nature, arts and crafts, games and creative engineering. Grades 1 to 6. Thursday, October 24th 3:15 to 4:15. Register in advance at the library 705-635-3319 or dwight@lakeofbayslibrary.ca



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