

November Principals Report

Maurice Cody SWAG wear is back!!

Back by popular demand, Maurice Cody spirit wear is back! Starting on November 6th, and for two weeks thereafter, you can purchase (online) your favorite Maurice Cody clothing items. Whether a baseball cap, sweatshirt, pants, hoodie or t-shirt, Maurice Cody Coyote swag makes for an excellent holiday gift and is great for our spirit days!

Online ordering to begin November 6th!

Terry Fox Run

On October 3rd, staff and students from Maurice Cody took part in the Terry Fox Walk/Run to help raise money for cancer research. We are very proud to be associated with *The Terry Fox Foundation* and believe that our involvement will launch a successful, positive and meaningful school year.

Our goal is to continue Terry Fox's dream to collect money for cancer research. Over the years, we have raised a significant amount of money. This year was no different as we raised collectively just over \$3500. Well done to everyone and Ms. Nickel for coordinating the event! The enthusiastic involvement from all staff, parents and students is greatly appreciated.

Sarah & Claire's 10th Annual Food Drive

Maurice Cody has been proud to support Sarah and Claire's Food Drive. What started out as a fundraiser at a local school 10 years ago has now transformed into an annual event in many school schools across the Davisville and Leaside communities and beyond!

From September 29th to October 5th, close to 20 schools, including Maurice Cody staff and students brought in non-perishable food products, from canned good, to rice, pasta and other necessary items. By the end of the food drive, Maurice Cody donated 3036 pounds of non-perishable food items! The joint effort of staff, students and families truly has made a big difference to help eliminate Hunger in Toronto.

The Toy Drive

Another annual fundraiser Maurice Cody PS is proud to be associated with is our Toy Drive. Started up by Ella, a former Cody student and mom Andrea Elliott, many years ago, Ella's Toy Drive has become an annual event the Cody community has been supportive of. From **November 6th -17th**, staff, students and families are asked to bring to school an unwrapped toy.

Sports:

On behalf of the Maurice Cody staff and administration, we wanted to take the opportunity to acknowledge our Grade 4 and 5 Boys and Girls Soccer Teams, who

since September practiced and competed against other junior division teams in their regional tournaments and playoff games. As a result of their hard work, dedication and commitment to excellence both became TDSB South Conference Semi-finalists and Finalists, respectively! While we did not advance to the City finals, both teams finishing amongst one of the best team in the South region was a great accomplishment! All players are to be commended for a tremendous job and a special thank you to the coaches Ms. Appel, Mr. Lindstol, our parent coach Ms. Elliott and to all the parents for their unwavering support throughout the season.

In addition, our school Cross-Country season came to an end just after Thanksgiving. Starting the season with just over 220 student-athletes from Grades 2 to 5 running in their regional meet, to 27 students advancing to the Conference meet two weeks ago, all runners are to be congratulated for an outstanding season. The balance between body and mind, perseverance and persistence is exemplified with all those who ran their races and competed until the finish line! A special thank you to Ms. Appel and all staff who supported our students during the season and to our Grade 3 Boys Team, Will, Nate, Harrison, Sawyer, and Sam, who finished second in the Conference Meet, who represented Cody valiantly. We are all proud of your achievement!

Upcoming:

-Stay tuned for information regarding Primary Intramurals brought to you by the MCAA (the Maurice Cody Athletic Association) and Ms. Appel.

-Stay tuned for the following tryouts to begin in November: Junior Girls Basketball, Junior Co-ed Ice Hockey and Junior Boys Volleyball

Music:

Practices continue for our Primary & Junior Choir

Primary Choir (Grades 2,3): Wednesdays @ 8am in the music room

Junior Choir (Grades 4,5): Thursdays @ 8am in the music room

Upcoming Dates:

November 15: Progress Report Cards/Communication of Learning to be distributed (JK-Grade 5)

November 16: Parent Teacher Interviews (evening)

November 17: Parent Teacher Interviews (morning)

November 17: PD Day

November 21: Photo Re-takes (1 pm)

November 23: Pizza Lunch