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Message from the Principal

We hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving weekend with family and friends!

Unfortunately, our school sustained some significant vandalism over the long weekend. We are sad that this has happened as we are continuing to promote pride in our school. It is disheartening to see others treat the building so disrespectfully. Thank you to those in the community who came over on Sunday and helped to remove as much of the graffiti as possible. We do appreciate your time and effort in having it be less visible for our students today. Our facilities staff have been working throughout the day today to complete the removal process. If you have any information about these acts of vandalism, please contact the school administration or the London City Police.



On a more positive note, we want to thank everyone who came out to our Aberdeen Open House at the end of September. It was wonderful to see so many families in attendance for the event! Thank you to Meat Kandy and Leen's Shop for providing food truck service and donating 10% of their sales back to our school. We raised \$95 in proceeds that will go toward buying prizes for our weekly Eagle Feather draws. Congratulations to the following winners of gift cards for completing our scavenger hunt:

Gunner- Old Navy
Amelia- Happy Kids
Robin- Tim Hortons

Bronwyn- McDonalds
Tanya- Indigo

Congratulations also go out to the following students who won a free Aberdeen t-shirt in our spirit wear draw:

Halley, Parker, Preston, Lilly, Caleb, Izzy, Alivia, Jordan, Jayden, Roanin, Ashlyn, Aidan, Robin, Amora, Bronwyn, Clara, Lincoln, Josh, Hunter, Linkin, Rosie, Devyn, Maxwell, Bently, and Cam.

Letters were sent home with all of our t-shirt winners to confirm their prize.



Our spirit wear is now available for purchase. We have launched new t-shirts, long-sleeve t-shirts, crewnecks sweatshirts, and hoodies with the Aberdeen Eagles logo on them. Prices range from \$10 to \$30. Orders are due to the school by October 28. Order forms and money can be returned to the school or parents have the option of ordering and paying online using School Cash Online. Orders will be available by late November/early December (in time for Christmas).

We also thank all of the parents who came out to our Soaring Eagle assembly last week. It is such a great feeling to be able to invite parents and community members in for these special activities. Our next assembly will be on Friday, November 4 (time TBA). We also invite all parents and community members to join

us on November 11 for our Remembrance Day service. More information will be sent out to families closer to the event dates.



We have many fantastic things happening in our school. Currently, we have cross country and volleyball underway. Good luck to our participants who have their first events this week! Our strong start reading program for our primary students has begun with parent volunteers. Our after-school tutoring program for grade 4-8 students will be resuming later on in the month. We also have a lunch bunch program running to help some of our junior students build on their social skills. Grade 5/6 students will be participating in the Ride to Thrive bike safety program sponsored by London Cycle Link. Some Grade 7/8 students will be a part of the Fourth R program run by Michael Cywink which focuses on building healthy relationships. We are happy to provide opportunities for our students to be active, and engaged, and have the opportunity to connect positively with each other.

Aberdeen School Council

We had our first school council meeting at the end of September. Thank you to the parents who were able to attend.



School Council is a place for parents and the school community to have meaningful input and an ability to influence decisions that affect their children and local schools. Council members act in an advisory role to principals. All parents and community members are welcome to attend meetings to hear updates and learn more about our school. Meetings can be held during the school day or in the evening depending on what works best for the members.

We are pleased to announce that our Chair this year is Melissa Schwartz. Our Vice-Chair is Ann Stover. We are still looking for someone who might be interested in

being our Secretary. If you are interested, please reach out to Mrs. Squire. Our next meeting has been set for Friday, October 28 at 9:15 a.m. If you are unable to attend in person but would like to join in virtually, please let us know and we can set up a hybrid system for people to attend online as well. If you are unable to attend but have issues or questions that you would like raised, please reach out to Melissa (melissa_shawn@hotmail.com) or Ann (littlegreystover@gmail.com).

Attendance

Regular, on-time attendance is strongly encouraged for school. In order for students to be successful at school, they need to be present on a consistent basis. Students who are absent frequently are missing valuable lessons and activities in their classrooms. It is difficult for your child to catch up on work that is missed since so much of the teaching is interactive or group work and not simply worksheet-based. Establishing good routines with your child (e.g., going to bed at an appropriate time to ensure they are well rested, setting out clothes the night before, making your lunch ahead of time) will help them develop positive habits and routines. If you need support with getting your child to attend school regularly, please let your child's teacher know. We do have an attendance counsellor who can often help support families when attendance is concerning.

If your child is ill or needs to be away, please ensure that you report their absence and indicate the reason using school messenger:

<http://www.tvdsb.ca/schoolmessenger>

We also kindly request that you refrain from signing out your child between 3:00 and 3:30 (unless they have an appointment to attend). We have a large number of students being signed out in that last half-hour of the day on a regular basis and it is very disruptive to the classes to be interrupted multiple times requesting children for early dismissal. We encourage our students to attend school for the full day from 9:00 to 3:30.

Parent Portal

All parents should ensure that they have now set up their account in the parent portal. The parent portal is the hub for accessing important forms (e.g., medical forms, permission forms, timetables, IEPs etc.). There is a video in the link to help you set up your account. You need to ensure that you use the same email address for your parent portal account as you provided the school as your primary email address emergency contact information. See the link below for more information or call Mrs. McNorgan for assistance.

<http://www.tvdsb.ca/parentportal>

Health Concerns



If your child has a special health concern, please ensure that you have indicated this information in the portal and have alerted school staff about your child's condition. Children with life-threatening conditions (e.g., Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Epilepsy) require an IPOC (Individual Plan of Care). IPOCs are completed by the parent in the parent portal. The IPOC will outline the action that needs to be taken for your child's condition and any medication that may be required. **IPOCs must be reviewed, updated, and re-submitted each school year in September.** Any medication that needs to be administered at school must have a current Administration of Medication form signed by your family doctor. Medication forms are available at the office. Please ensure that your child's inhalers and epi-pens are not expired prior to sending them to school. If you require any assistance with completing an IPOC or medication form, please contact Mrs. DeVooght.

Safe and Inclusive School Plan

Each school in TVDSB is required to have a SIS (Safe and Inclusive School Plan). We are looking for parents who are interested in providing input to our plan as we update it for this school year. The plan addresses our

priorities as a staff for helping our students feel safe and included at school. If you are interested in being a part of our SIS team, please contact our Vice-Principal, Mrs. DeVooght.

Soaring Eagle Winners

Each month teachers recognize 1 or 2 students from their class who have worked hard and demonstrated perseverance throughout the month. Congratulations to the award winners for September:

Marcus, Priya, Kalli, Jackson, Tianna, Sofia, Herman, Levi, Jaxson, Pip, Soairse, Kaylaa, Timmity, Brownwyn, Devyn, Kendall, Devonte, Allissa, Tristan and Luna.

Updated Student Information Sheets

We have a number of families who have not completed their student information sheets for this school year. A hard copy of that form will be sent home this week with your child if your child's record still needs to be updated. These forms are very important as they provide up-to-date contact information in the case of an emergency. If you have had a change of phone number, address or emergency contact, it needs to be indicated on this form. This is also the place where parents can choose to provide permission for various things (e.g., going home for lunch, having photo posted on social media etc.). Please ensure that these forms are returned ASAP.



ABERDEEN EAGLES

SPIRIT WEAR

SHORT SLEEVE COTTON TEE
SCREEN PRINTED LOGO

BLACK GOLD

YOUTH SIZES - SM - XL
ADULT SIZES - SM - 2XL

\$10.00

FLEECE HOODIE
SCREEN PRINTED LOGO

BLACK GOLD

YOUTH SIZES - SM - XL
ADULT SIZES - SM - 2XL

\$30.00

SOURCE
FOR SPORTS
TEAMWORKS

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SPIRIT WEAR

LONG SLEEVE COTTON TEE
SCREEN PRINTED LOGO

BLACK GOLD

YOUTH SIZES - SM - XL
ADULT SIZES - SM - 3XL

\$15.00

FLEECE CREWNECK
SCREEN PRINTED LOGO

BLACK

YOUTH SIZES - SM - XL
ADULT SIZES - SM - 3XL

\$25.00

DO YOU WANT YOUR NAME ON THE SLEEVE OF YOUR HOODIE OR CREWNECK?
Add an Embroidered name for an additional \$8 to the cost of the item.
Please print name in the box below.

Add \$8.00 to the hoodie/crewneck total column.

Item Name	Price	Qty.	Size(s)	Colour(s)	Total (\$)
Short Sleeve Cotton Tee	\$10.00				
Long Sleeve Cotton Tee	\$15.00				
Fleece Hoodie	\$30.00				
Fleece Crewneck	\$25.00				

Student Name _____

Teacher Name _____

Email/Phone # _____

GRAND TOTAL _____

Order Due Date:
OCTOBER 28th 2022

NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED PAST DEADLINE.