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### UCDSB Mission:

"We prepare all students for a successful life."

### UCDSB Vision:

"Futures, Leading and Learning for All."

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## What's Happening in Month



Fire Prevention Week .....	Oct. 3-9
Thanksgiving .....	Oct. 11
Picture Day .....	Oct. 26
Orange & Black Day .....	Oct. 29

## Upcoming in November

Progress Reports Go Home .....	Nov. 10
Remembrance Day .....	Nov. 11
PA Day.....	Nov. 26

## Picture Day ~ Change of Date

Picture day will be a day earlier, on October 26<sup>th</sup>. We will start with our Kindergarten students and work our way up to the grade 4/5/6 class.

Please note: there will **not** be a photo re-take day.

SAY CHEESE!



## TERRY FOX RUN

We are thrilled to say, not only did we surpass our goal, but we **doubled** our goal and raised a total of \$400 through our on-line school page and donations sent in! Way to go Drummond Bees!

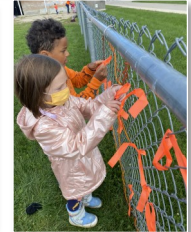
## Fire Prevention Week

We have been practicing our fire drills so we are all prepared on what to do in the event of an emergency. We are required to have 3 fire drills in the fall and three in the spring. We have had 2 of our 3 fall drills and our third will take place during Fire Prevention Week where the fire department will be on site to observe us.

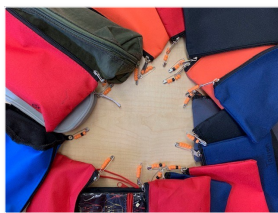


# Orange Shirt Day

The kindergarten class read the book, "The Orange Shirt Story" by Phyllis Webstad. The children told the story using a prop to symbolize the ideas on each page. Each child had a turn placing an item on the hay bale as they read. Afterwards, the children tied an orange ribbon to the fence inside a heart shape in honour of truth and reconciliation. Mrs. McLenaghan shared her learning about her indigenous drum-making workshop this past summer and shared all the symbolism behind the different parts of the drum. Helena Neveu, Elder and Professor of Indigenous studies at Queen's University encouraged Mrs. McLenaghan to take her learning back to her classroom to share with her students. The students listened attentively and later had a chance to try using the drumstick to tap the drum and hear its beautiful sound.



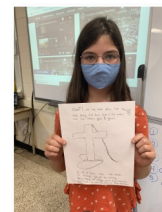
The Grade 1/2 class participated in an activity called "I Am Not Alone." This activity encouraged students to develop empathy for others and to talk about acceptance of other people. The class reflected on how they felt during the activity and made connections on how they could include everyone. The students also wrote about what our class and school could do to make sure that everyone feels welcome and accepted. Some suggestions were always saying "Good Morning," asking other kids to play a game and making sure to say nice things that make people feel happy. The class also took part in a virtual smudging ceremony with author Christy Jordan-Fenton.



The grade 2/3 class has spent a great deal of time learning and reflecting about Phyllis and her orange shirt and National Truth and Reconciliation Day. The students made beaded decorations for their pencil cases. Each time the students open their case it will remind them how fortunate they are to be in a safe and respected school environment. It will also be a reminder of residential school survivors and their journey. They also decorated t-shirts and wrote letters to survivors.



Students in grade 4/5/6 took part in a live Teams presentation by Christy Jordan-Fenton, author of "Fatty Legs". The students learned where the author got the inspiration to write her book. She had many great recounts of her family history with colonization, residential schools, and life for Indigenous individuals in northern Canada. The class will continue with a part 2 next week. After reading "The Orange Shirt Story" and discussing it as a class, they watched a video about the author/founder of Orange Shirt day, Phyllis Webstad. Seen here are samples of the art and writing students created in response to their learning and discussions.






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**HALLOWEEN**

We will celebrate Halloween by wearing orange and black again this year, no costumes please. We will provide a small, pre-packaged treat for the students—we cannot accept treats sent from home.

# OCTOBER 2021

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