

# ***FIRESIDE FOCUS***



## Fireside Focus – September 22

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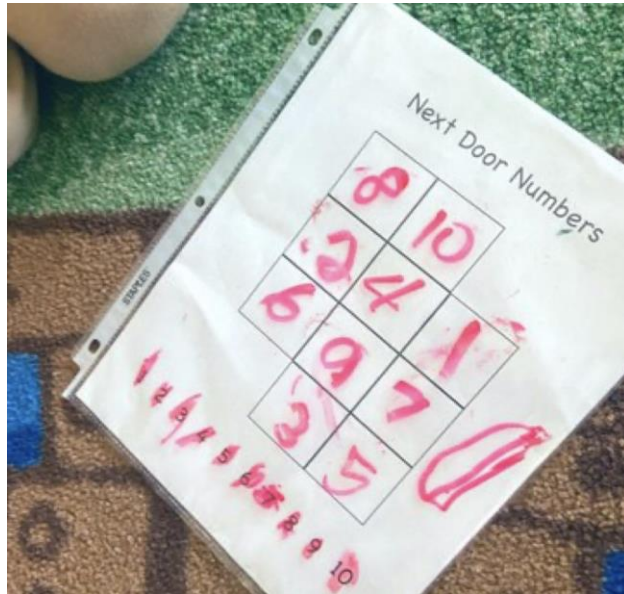
- Wednesday, Sept 27 - Healthy Hunger (Subway)
- Thursday, Sept 28 – Orange Shirt Day
- Friday, Sept 29 – National Day for Truth and Reconciliation (no school)
- Friday, Oct 6 – Professional Development Day (no school)

- Monday, Oct 9 – Thanksgiving (no school)
- Thursday, Oct 12 – Grade 6 Immunizations
- Tuesday, Oct 24 – Photo Retake Day

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*From the Admin Desk*

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Hello Fireside Families & Friends,

There was plenty of interesting and engaging learning this week. Classes are digging into science experiments, working on numeracy routines, immersing themselves in new stories, and learning about the world around them. There are early-year numeracy and literacy assessments taking place, which are used to guide our instruction as we move forward in the year. These assessments are not counted in student's grades and are only used to help us determine where students are at in their learning progressions as we start the year.



We are happy to share with you that we raised \$1,645 for the Terry Fox Foundation this year. You can view the messages sent with the donations on our [school's fundraising site](#). Next week we'll be honouring National Day for Truth and Reconciliation with our Orange Shirt Day on the Thursday prior. In advance of our Gathering Ceremonies on that day, teachers in upper grades are looking at resources such as the [University of Manitoba's site](#) about the history and meaning of Canada's National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Students will also be listening to read-alouds of books by Phyllis Webstad about Orange Shirt Day (*Phyllis's Orange Shirt* and *The Orange Shirt Story*), which looks at her experience in residential schools. Please help to remind students to wear Orange Shirts on Thursday, September 28.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

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*Group Triple P Workshop (Cochrane Family Resource Network)*

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**GROUP TRIPLE P**

TUE, SEP 26; OCT 3, 10, 17 & 24 | 6-8 PM | REGISTERED | FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN AGES 2-11 | VIRTUAL

Group Triple P is a 5-week program that gives you support to help you manage your child's behaviour and prevent the kinds of problems that make your family life stressful. Zoom link to be sent upon registration.

REGISTER: [www.cochrane.ca/programguide](http://www.cochrane.ca/programguide)

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### ***Reminder: Student Authorization Forms***

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Just a friendly reminder to complete your student's Student Authorization Forms. These forms need to be filled out each year. These forms cover School Walking Field Trips, use of your student's photo, etc. You can find these on [School Engage](#). Please contact the office with any questions you may have filling out the forms.

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### ***Reminder: Healthy Hunger***

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Healthy Hunger is back! Our first fun lunch will come from Subway. To order, or view all upcoming Healthy Hunger dates please, please visit the Healthy Hunger Website at [www.healthyhunger.ca](http://www.healthyhunger.ca). If you are new, you will need to create a new parent account and then add your student! Ordering closes one week prior to each Healthy Hunger day, but meals as far as the end of the school year are accessible on the site.

Please note: for all dietary and allergy restrictions we encourage you to reach out to Subway directly.

If your child is away on Healthy Hunger days, please reach out to us via phone or to let us know if you would like the meal/treat to be donated, given to a sibling to take home, popped in the fridge for Thursday, or picked up! We hate to see food going to waste!

There will be no donation button year. That said, we will be supporting any families who might need a sandwich for any reason; please contact the the office or an administrator if needed.

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#### ***Updated: Allergy Awareness and Scent-Free Policy***

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At Fireside School, we want to do our best to keep everyone safe and healthy. We have a number of students and staff who are highly sensitive to certain allergens. We ask that all people entering the school please refrain from wearing perfume, cologne, body sprays, scented products, and essential oils (including especially those scented with orange, coconut, and lime). We also ask that nuts and nut products also remain out of the school.

- Please refrain from wearing perfume, cologne, scented products, or essential oils when coming into Fireside School.
- Please do not bring perfumes, colognes, scented products, or essential oils into our school; most especially, please do not spray them or open/use them in the school at any time.

- Since we are a Nut-Aware School, please do not bring products with nuts into the school, including in snacks, lunches, or treats.

We thank you for your attention to and respect for these health concerns and for helping us to keep everyone safe from allergic reactions this school year. If your child has allergies, please bring them to the attention of the Homeroom Teacher so that we can be aware of those allergy cautions as well.

**Contact Us!**

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