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Principal's Message

Dear Edison parents and families,

We have now finished the month of October and are into November. We have had a really busy and successful couple of months at Edison. We have had seven teams competing in volleyball and triple ball, and our gym has been a very busy place most every night. Teams are now beginning playoffs, which will continue until the latter part of November.

Students across most grade levels have been on field trips and expanded their knowledge of the subject areas and curriculum they are learning in class. We can't forget to mention that we even had a spooky Halloween Dance last Friday afternoon. Musical and drama productions are underway, with auditions and rehearsals taking place for our Upper School and Middle School students. And our Winter Concert is only six weeks away!

Our staff are working incredibly hard to provide a well-rounded program to benefit our students in multiple ways, and it is very rewarding to be able to lead this school.

Upcoming important dates and events:

- Remembrance Week Break (no school): November 9 to 13
- Report cards go home: November 27
- Parent-Teacher Interviews: December 1 and 2

Kevin Tonak, Principal

Remembrance Day Assembly

Edison School's Remembrance Day Assembly will take place this Thursday, November 5, at 10:30AM in the Mackenzie gymnasium. Students are required to wear their dress uniform, and are encouraged to bring a small donation in exchange for a poppy pin. All donations go directly to the Royal Canadian Legion's Poppy Trust Fund to support Canadian Armed Forces veterans, retired and active service members, and their families.

Paul Davis Visits Edison on December 2

On Wednesday, December 2, Edison School will welcome Paul Davis, a speaker on social media and online safety who presents to students and parents at schools across Canada. Students in Grades 7 to 12 will attend an assembly with Mr. Davis at 1:00PM in the main gym. Students in Grades 4 to 6 will take part in a pre-recorded session in class, with notes to bring home for parents to sign.

Parents are invited to an evening session at 7:00PM. The presentation will run about 75 minutes and will be followed by a question-and-answer period. Parent-Teacher Interviews are on December 1 and 2, so we hope many families will be able to stay for the evening presentation. More details will follow closer to the date.

Lost and Found

All lost and found items will be collected from the bins in every building on Thursday, November 5. Please check the bins before that date to claim any missing belongings. The unclaimed items will be donated. To help ensure items are returned quickly in the future, please label your child's belongings with their name.

Grade 6 Field Trip

On Tuesday, November 17, Grade 6 students will travel to the Military Museum in Calgary for a full-day field trip. Students will participate in four unique programs, including artefact handling, learning about Armistice Day, a lesson on propaganda, and exploration of the museum. All programs connect to historical learning and are designed to meet the updated Social Studies curriculum. For more information on the programs, please visit https://tmmf.nationbuilder.com/division_2. Dress uniform is required for this field trip, as well as a snack, water bottle, and lunch. Students must come prepared for the field trip in order to participate. If you are interested in volunteering as a supervisor and have an updated criminal record check with a vulnerable sector report, please contact Ms. Etheredge at betheredge@edisonschool.ca.

Grades 7 to 12 Skiing Field Trip

We are pleased to announce that Edison School will be offering a skiing field trip to Canada Olympic Park on December 18, 2026. This trip is open to students in Grades 7 to 12. The $60 cost of the trip will include a two-hour lesson led by a COP instructor, equipment rentals, and a lift ticket. Due to the nature of the group booking, students are required to pay $60 whether they require rental equipment or not. This is payable to Beth Chernoff. We are also looking for parent volunteers. Please contact Mr. Cartwright at ccartwright@edisonschool.ca if you are interested. Please return permission forms and waivers to Mr. Cartwright by Friday, November 20.

JV Boys Volleyball Banner Game

Our JV boys volleyball team plays for the league banner this Thursday, November 5, here at Edison. Ball drops at 6:00PM and the game should end by 7:30PM. The team is currently going on two years undefeated. Come out and cheer them on!

Upper School Halloween Costume Contest

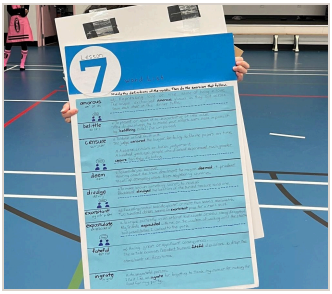
On Friday, October 30, the Edison School Student Council held its inaugural Upper School Halloween Costume Contest! The panel of distinguished judges sure had a hard time picking their favourites. This event was a huge success and we are already excited to see next year's entries, so start planning your costumes now!

Congratulations to our spook-tacular winners, who received highly coveted Covet gift cards (pardon the pun!) as prizes:

1st place: Nour M.
2nd place: Kennedy G.
3rd place: Shreya M., Julia W., Nicole C., Cecilia K., Mahira C., and Arpitha U.







Middle School Halloween Dance

On Friday, October 30, students in Grades 4 to 7 had a fantastic Halloween dance! Students showed off their creative costumes, danced to great music, and spent time with friends. There were also lots of fun activities, including Guess the Number of Jolly Ranchers, bean bag toss, and a photo booth. Congratulations to Lilly in 6B for correctly guessing the number of jelly beans: 112! A big thank you to the Grade 6 Student Council for organizing such a great event!





Edison Teachers Colour the World!

Our teachers brought a little extra colour to Halloween by dressing up as a box of crayons! With bright colours and plenty of Halloween spirit, they certainly made the day a little more colourful!



Junior B Girls Volleyball

The Junior B girls have had an exciting week of volleyball. It started with a win against OJHS in the first round of playoffs and was followed with an incredible showing at the Halloween Howler volleyball tournament on Friday!



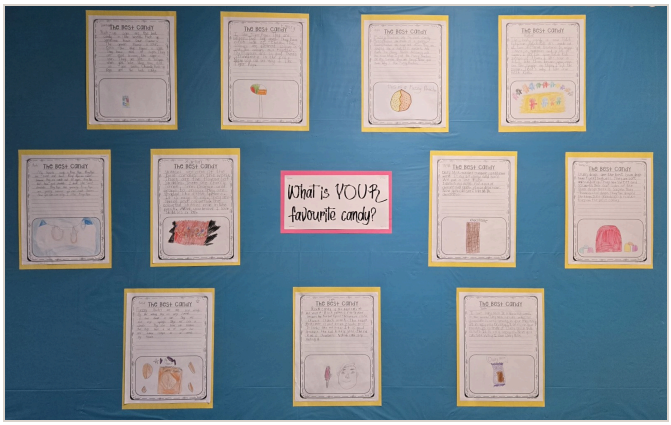
Introducing Our Grade 6 Triple Ball Team!

The team kicked off their league play on Monday in High River, taking on other schools in five exciting 20-minute matches. This group is a future force to be reckoned with as they continue to grow, develop their skills, and build their confidence as Eagles volleyball players. We are excited to watch their progress throughout the season. The future is bright for these Eagles! The next game day is November 16 at the Bob Snodgrass Recreation Centre.



What Is YOUR Favourite Candy?

This month, Mrs. Palmer's Grade 2 class put their opinion-writing skills to work with a "sweet" topic! Each student chose their favourite candy and wrote about why they think it is the best. They shared their opinions and supported their choices with reasons to convince their readers. Come see which candies made our list.



Grade 3 Artwork

These pumpkins aren't really getting smaller, it's all a matter of perspective! The Grade 3 artists in Ms. Armstrong's class used vanishing points, horizon lines, and a whole lot of pumpkins to create these fall fields.



Grade 4 Drama

The Grade 4 drama students were excited to present to the Kindergarten students last week! They acted out different situations that might happen in the classroom, and the Kindergarten students got to participate by giving a thumbs-up or thumbs-down to show whether they thought the behaviour was a good way to handle the situation. We talked about making positive choices and how to be a kind friend in Kindergarten. This was the Grade 4 students' first time performing for an audience, and although some were feeling nervous, they did a fantastic job stepping out of their comfort zones!







Grade 7 Storybook Theatre Trip

The Grade 7 students enjoyed Storybook Theatre's production of A Concrete Jungle Book. The phenomenal acting and singing, along with an opportunity to ask the cast questions, made for an engaging and educational experience. The play also connected beautifully to our novel study of S.E. Hinton's The Outsiders, as both explore the challenges of feeling like an outsider and not belonging.





Grade 9 ELA: Poetry in a Cupcake!

Poetry has never been sweeter! Last week, our Grade 9 students put a delightful twist on their school-wide poetry recitations by renaming the event "Poetry in a Cupcake!" Our talented bakers, Julian, Nour, and Sophia, went the extra mile to make the occasion memorable by decorating cupcakes with letters spelling out "Mrs. Joubert." What a thoughtful and creative surprise! Through their recitations of Robert Frost's Love and a Question, students brought his beautiful poetry to life and celebrated his lasting literary legacy. Robert Frost would certainly have been proud! Well done, Grade 9 students!





Grade 8 ELA: A Slice of Literary Creativity!

Our Grade 8 students recently completed their first book report of the school year in ELA with Ms. Joubert, and they certainly delivered a creative masterpiece! Putting a delicious spin on a traditional book report, students transformed ordinary pizza boxes into imaginative literary projects. They redesigned their chosen books' covers on the outside of the boxes and wrote informative paragraphs about the authors on the inside of the lids. Each "pizza slice" featured an analysis of an important literary element, including characters, plot, setting, genre, and the beginning, middle, and ending of the story, along with a personal book review. The results were an impressive combination of creativity, critical thinking, and literary understanding. Congratulations, Grade 8 students, on your outstanding work!

