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Lester B. Pearson Newsletter – October 22, 2023

Dear Students, Parents, Guardians and Caregivers,

In this week's newsletter, I will highlight an element of the CBE's Mission Statement; Learning is our Central Purpose. Learning is not only focused on students and the classroom but also teachers and their professional development. I will share a little of both in the pages that follow. Our Fall Sports are reaching the end of the season with just a handful of league games to go.

Read on and celebrate all that happens at Pearson:



Castle Mountain and the glacier on Monday. Look how much the glacier has receded. Photo sent by a good friend enjoying the fall mountain air. Wish I was there!!!



Here are some spectacular projects from students in Fashion and Design. This and more currently on display, So cool!!!



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Constable Tim said his final goodbye. Please welcome our new SRO Constable Nic. We share Constable Nic with North Trail High School. SRO stands for School Resource Officer and He is a part of our staff, here to support our students.



On Monday night School Parent Council approved funding to send 22 students to the New Horizons Leadership Conference at Centennial this week. They also approved the purchase of the following pieces of equipment for CTS: heat press, serger and 10 SLR cameras. There are 14 members of School Parent Council and we meet once a month to learn about all our work and to support our students, staff and programs.





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Ms. Buchan has a dedicated group of students to help her work on the yearbook. This is a yearlong project. Thanks to the Yearbook Committee for your efforts in documenting our year and creating this cherished memento. Full of Heart!



You cannot be all things
to all students. But
sometimes, just
sometimes, you will be
the right teacher at the
right time. You will be
the exact teacher that
one child needed more
than anything.

Pearson E-League took on Churchill in an enthusiastic match but we lost this one 40 – 32. Ms. Pham saw Elijah, Grad of 2023, at the 16th Ave Kinjo where he works.



Do you remember The Power Rule? Students immersed in a lesson on calculus. It filled the whiteboard; much to think deeply. A Day in the Life of Ms. R's Math 30-1 students.



A Day in the Life of Ms. Dromey's Science 14 class. Hussein was happy to share with me the different elements of the human digestive system ☺





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In this class they were learning about the different way the human body can move and flex. When I mentioned the time I rolled my ankle playing volleyball they immediately diagnosed my injury as a result of severely pronating my ankle. A Day in the Life of Ms. Ng's Sports Med Class.



Recognize anyone?? Tehzeeb and Ahmed are our student representatives at the Chief Superintendents' Student Advisory Council. They meet once a month to discuss matters of education impacting students. One major area of focus will be student wellness.





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Thank you to all our families who attended Parent Teacher conferences. I enjoyed meeting parents too, many who recognized me from my weekly home newsletters. Many student leaders were superb hosts, greeting parents and helping them find their way. Such events allow us to build relationships and build bridges in supporting and in celebrating the work of your students. Many Pearson Grads came to support their younger siblings. It was fun for their former teachers to see them again. In total we had 335 personal families visits. Add to that the phone calls and some virtual meetings and it all made for a successful PT Conference.



Ms. Riben was caught in traffic so Grade 11 student conductor, Russell, took over and warmed up the band so they were ready to go upon Ms. Riben's arrival. Russell is the best!!!



Here is one of our Social Studies 20-2 class in the midst of a model Paris Peace Conference. The students represented the major powers in WW1 and their debate included the Britain-Palestine issue that informs the current Palestine-Israel conflict today. Great students in Ms. Sousa's class.



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It was Volunteer Day at a neighbouring business. They assembled and donated 7 bins of brown bags to Pearson. They were all gone by the end of the day.





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The Land was our teacher on Friday; from what the land and nature provided, to what it taught us. With guidance from Elder Randy, Randy Jr., Shane Cunningham and Sue Spotted Bull, we listened and learned with: open eyes, open ears, open mind and open heart.

Attending everyday and being on time is crucial to student success. Encourage your child to be prepared, sleep early, eat well and ensure they are in their classes before the bell each and every period. Success is earned and so is Walking the Stage. Remember to bring and wear your ID at School everyday. Students who forget will need to call home to have it delivered or they go home to get it.

Save the Dates:

- Wednesday, October 25th: Fall Awards 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm



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This Week's Athletics:

- **Monday, October 23rd:** Football at Shouldice – Check CSHSAA for time and location
- **Tuesday, October 24th:** Sr. Girls Volleyball - Home vs. North Trail at 5:00 pm
- **Tuesday, October 24th:** Sr. Boys Volleyball away at St. Martins at 5:00 pm – Jr. Boys at 6:30 pm
- **Thursday, October 26th:** Jr. Girls Volleyball Home vs. LOR at 5:00 pm – Sr. at 6:30 pm
- **Girls Soccer** - Check CSHSAA for times and location
- **Friday & Saturday, October 27th & 28th:** Sr. Girls Volleyball Tournament at James Fowler.
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Halloween Movie Night sponsored by Students' Council.

Tickets will be on sale in the Café at noon from Monday to Thursday.

Don't miss our first Movie Night of the year!!! Scary!!!



Late Friday a former student getting help from her former teachers; connections we make are enduring and caring.

**Kenneth Chee
Principal**