

# **Something To Hoot About!**

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#### **ORANGE SHIRT DAY**

Today schools across the TDSB recognized Orange Shirt Day/National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.

At McMurrich we participated in a school-wide virtual assembly led by students from Ms. Cochran, Mr. Davis and Ms. Tavares's classes with support from our teacher/librarian Mr. Marshall. Our students' powerful words helped us all to deepen our understanding of the Residential School system while building respect, understanding and empathy.







### **Athletics Update**

It's been an exciting start to the school year with a number of extracurricular sports already in full motion. Our cross country team has 106 students in grades 1 to 6 training in preparation for our Area Meet which is taking place on October 12th at Winston Churchill Park. If any parents are interested in volunteering on the day of the meet, please email <a href="mailto:frank.perretta@tdsb.on.ca">frank.perretta@tdsb.on.ca</a>. Our school is also fielding a boys' soccer team, girls' soccer team,

and coed flag football teams. All team members are looking forward to participating in various tournaments in the coming weeks. Please check the McMurrich School Calendar (School Calendar Link) for updates on future practices and tournament dates. Go McMurrich Go!! On a final note, junior students (grades 4 - 6) will soon have the opportunity to try out for Girls Basketball and Boys Volleyball. We also hope to start a lunchtime intramural program in the coming months. Stay tuned for more details.

#### **Library Update**

It has been great to see familiar faces and welcome new students into the library this month. Students have been coming in for book exchange with their classes and I am thrilled to see how enthusiastic they are to explore our collection. We have lots of new titles on the shelves and I am looking forward to adding more titles in different genres in the coming weeks and months. The library is also open for book exchange at lunch hour Monday to Thursday. A big thank you goes out to all families who were able to return books in June. If you come across any McMurrich Library Books that are overdue, please send them with your child and we will get them back onto the shelves. If your child has lost a book, please let me know so we can withdraw it from the system.

In other news, we have tentatively booked our Scholastic Book Fair for early December. Beginning Monday, December 4 and ending Thursday December 7, the McMurrich Library will be open for business! While our hours of operation will be shared closer to the date, I am looking for volunteers to help set up the Book Fair, run the cash registers and help take down/clean up after the Book Fair closes. Set up would be the afternoon of Friday, December 1 and packing up will take place after school on Thursday, December 7. If you are interested in volunteering in any or all of these roles, please email me at Devon.Marshall@tdsb.on.ca. Many thanks in advance!





## **Terry Fox Run Campaign Update**

Congratulations to our McMurrich Community on raising \$3,995 for the Terry Fox Foundation this year! It was an amazing sight watching our entire student body participating on National School Run Day which took place on Friday, September 22nd. Special thanks to all the parents and community members who joined us. Way to go McMurrich!