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Angus Morrison Elementary School



HOME OF THE
DRAGONS!

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October Character Trait: Cooperation

ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE;

TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH.

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Cooperation - We work together towards shared goals and purposes

Important Dates And Events For October

A&W Night—October 12

AMES Terry Fox Run—October 13

Meet The Dragons—October 19

PA Day—October 24

ALWAYS
Believe
IN
YOURSELF

School Council

**IT'S THAT
YUMMY TIME
AGAIN!!
WE HOPE
YOU'RE
HUNGRY.**

A&W Angus will be donating 15% of all profits to Angus Morrison Elementary School from

**5-8pm on Wednesday
October 12th**

Thank you for your support!





SchoolCash Online

The School Cash Online program is used by the SCDSB for **online forms** and/or to collect school funds.

Parents/guardians can select to receive email notification when a new item becomes available. Items are personalized to each student. Payment can be made by credit card, electronic cheque or using visa/debit style card. To create an online account, go to <https://simcoecounty.schoolcashionline.com>.

Please complete the permissions and acknowledgements form on SchoolCash Online to allow your child(ren) to participate in activities such as community walks, safe arrival, etc.

Please check for upcoming field trips

****Lunches Made Easy And Mr. Sub Available To Order Soon****

Join us! A learning series for parents/guardians with Pine River Institute

Mental health and well-being continues to be a key strategic priority within the SCDSB. We are pleased to continue our partnership with the Centre for Family Initiatives at Pine River Institute (CFI@PRI) to provide several curated learning sessions focused on student mental health and well-being to SCDSB families, staff and within the SCDSB's broader school communities.

There are five webinars in the learning series specifically planned for parents, guardians and other caregivers during this school year.

Oct. 20, 2022

Screen Time 2.0

Dec. 8, 2022

How to Manage Another's Anxiety

Feb. 9, 2023

Guide to Attuned Limit Setting

March 2, 2023

Emotional Regulation for Kids and Adults

April 27, 2023

The Biology of Stress

We hope you save these dates in your calendar and join us for these learning opportunities. For more information and to register, please visit the SCDSB website: <https://bit.ly/3jGaC74>.

Pine River Institute is a live-in treatment centre and outdoor leadership experience for youth aged 13 to 19 struggling with addictive behaviours and often other mental health issues. Combining therapy with a fully-accredited education program, PRI reinforces the healthy life skills required for a successful future. CFI@PRI extends PRI's knowledge, experience and evidence-informed treatment approach to families and care providers in the community to support youth mental wellness and prevent the need for more intensive interventions. Learn more about PRI by visiting their website at www.pineriverinstitute.com.

SCDSB Emergency Procedures Information

Procedures help keep our school safe

The safety and well-being of students is our top priority. We have a number of procedures in place to keep our school safe. You can help your child understand and feel safe by:

- talking to them about the situations below;
- reminding them that emergencies are rare; and,
- telling them it's important to follow staff instructions in these situations.

Parents/guardians should talk about the following emergency drills with their children:

- **Shelter in place:** a procedure used during hazardous environmental or weather-related situation, where it is necessary to keep all occupants within the school to protect them from an external situation at or near the school. Examples may include chemical spills, blackouts, explosions, or extreme weather conditions.
- **Hold and secure:** a response to a threat in the general vicinity of a school, but not related to the school. This could be a police pursuit, a crime in progress or an active search by local police for a suspect. All building entrances should be locked to restrict access of unwanted individuals. Generally, school activities may continue as usual inside the building; however, a decision about this will be made by the principal in consultation with the local police services.
- **Lockdown:** a procedure used in response to a major incident or threat of violence inside the school, or in relation to the school. In this case staff and students are directed to lock themselves in designated safe areas. A lockdown is an emergency response to an imminent threat. Interior doors are locked, lights are shut off and blinds are drawn. Students and staff remain quiet. Schools practice lockdown drills at least two times per year. In the unlikely event of an actual lockdown situation, police ask that parents/guardians do not go to the school. Information will be communicated through the school board social media sites (www.facebook.com/SCDSB and www.twitter.com/SCDSB_Schools), the board website (www.scdsb.on.ca), and through local police and local media.
- All schools have evacuation plans in case of gas leaks, bomb threats or fire incidents that would require everyone to leave the school. Each school has two evacuation sites. Ours are Our Lady of Grace (24 Roth Street) and Nottawasaga Pines SS (8505 County Road 10) We hold drills to practice our evacuation plan. In a real evacuation, students and staff may go to the evacuation site, depending on the situation. Parents/guardians will be informed about pickup procedures by the school, school board and local media.

When parents/guardians are at school during a drill or emergency event, they must follow direction from school staff, police, fire and/or emergency personnel. Parents/guardians may not have immediate access to their child(ren) during drills or emergencies. They may need to wait until the situation is resolved and school staff and/or emergency personnel release students into parent/guardian care.

It's important for you to know that we will always take whatever precautions are necessary to keep our students and school safe.

The SCDSB Human Rights and Equity Office

The SCDSB Human Rights and Equity Office (HREO) is a safe and confidential space to identify matters related to discrimination, harassment and human rights violations. The HREO's goal is to create and maintain a safe, caring and inclusive learning and working environment by promoting and protecting the human rights of SCDSB students and staff. At the SCDSB Board Meeting on Aug. 31, 2022 the SCDSB Human Rights and Equity Policy (<https://bit.ly/3dkjW0t>) was approved by the Board of Trustees. Visit the SCDSB website to learn more: <https://www.scdsb.on.ca/about/>

Upcoming in-person Grade 1 French Immersion information sessions

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) offers French Immersion (FI) at select schools throughout Simcoe County beginning in Grade 1. The goal of the FI program is to enable students to communicate in French with a high level of proficiency, enabling them to function with ease in both English and French.

Information sessions for families who are considering entry into Grade 1 FI for the 2023-24 school year will take place soon and online applications will open and be accepted in December 2022.

Entry into the FI program will be determined through a digitally randomized lottery system. A link to access the Grade 1 FI online application form will be available on the SCDSB website starting at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1 until 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16. For more information regarding French Immersion, visit www.scdsb.on.ca, then select 'elementary', and 'French as a Second Language'

Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 9 to 15

This year, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is celebrating its 100th anniversary. The 2022 Fire Prevention Week theme, 'Fire won't wait. Plan your escape™', works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe from home fires. For more information about Fire Prevention Week and this year's theme, along with a wealth of resources to help promote the campaign locally, visit fpw.org.

Get On The Move

There are many benefits to walking or wheeling to school. Walking or wheeling to school reduces traffic, helps students establish healthy lifestyles, is better for the environment and enhances community safety. Wherever possible, we encourage students within walking zones to get on the move and walk or wheel to school. For more information please visit the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit website here: bit.ly/3OC4CJ9

Annual Angus Morrison Coat Drive

Our Annual Angus Morrison Coat Drive is back. We are currently looking for donations of gently used winter outer wear clothing (coats, snow pants, snow suits, boots, mittens, gloves, toques, scarves). All sizes are accepted and greatly appreciated. Let's all work together to help keep Angus warm this winter. Details about when the clothes will be available will be shared in the future, stay tuned!

The 600km Goal- Shoe Drive

Did You Know?

Terry Fox ran an average of 600km before having to replace his shoes.

As part of our Terry Fox Run, Angus Morrison will be **collecting gently used or new shoes** to give back to our school community.

How It Works:

1. Check your closets for shoes that are no longer needed, but have not yet fulfilled their 600km goal (*gently used*).

2. Send donations of gently used or new shoes to the school before **Monday October 17, 2022**.

3. Shoes will be made available to **all students/families** at Angus Morrison beginning Wednesday October 19, 2022, at our school open house.

Shoes will be organized by size. Anybody who would like to take shoes for their child/children may do so.



42nd Anniversary Terry Fox Run

The staff and students of Angus Morrison Elementary School will be participating in the 42nd Anniversary Terry Fox Run School Event on Thursday, October 13th. This will be a rain or shine activity so please make sure your children are dressed appropriately. Students are also encouraged to wear red and white or Canada clothing or may wish to purchase the 2022 Terry Fox t-shirt on School Cash Online by Friday, Oct. 7th. All proceeds from t-shirt sales go to our school's fundraising goal of \$1,600.00! In our 21 years of the Terry Fox Run at Angus Morrison, we have raised an incredible \$45,464.01! This year, we are reaching beyond our community and offering our fundraising amount to support the Million Dollar Man, Barrie resident Will Dwyer, who raised over \$1.2 million in 41 years for Terry. Will passed away at 96 years of age and we are one of many Simcoe County schools trying to help make him the Two Million Dollar Man! We are also pumped to start our first shoe drive in honour of Terry's remarkable run.

This year family members will be able to join us again on our run as in our usual tradition of Terry Fox spirit! Please check in at the front office AND let your child's classroom teacher know you will be joining us. We will be starting the event at 11:45 am, led by our Gr. 7 classes and ending around 12:45 p.m. with an outdoor sharing of class Terry Fox signs and chants/songs. Kindergarten classes will be walking **within** our Primary fenced yard.

We are so proud to celebrate the 42nd Anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope and would be honoured if you and family members and friends would help support us:

1. Buy donating at: <https://schools.terryfox.ca/AngusMorrisonESAngus>
2. At School Cash Online <https://www.schoolcashonline.com/has>
3. Students can also bring in a "Toonie for Terry" to drop into their class



Drop Off/ Pick UP Procedures



If you are picking up your child for appointments during our nutrition/recess times, please expect delays as this is a very busy time for our office staff. Students are socializing during this time and may not hear their name being called over the intercom. This is also the case if students are busy playing outside. Please reference the website for our daily schedule @ <http://ang.scdsb.on.ca/>

Parking At Angus Morrison

Many of you are aware of the congestion during pick up and drop off times. Safety is our primary concern.

Please follow these procedures during pick up and drop off times:

Consider parking on our side streets and walking from there. Remind your child to cross the street at stop signs and use the newly installed crosswalks.

Our parking lots are closed from 9:00—9:30am and again in the afternoon from 3:15—3:45pm.

Be patient and allow our buses and school vans to pull in and out of their parking areas. DO NOT try to squeeze past or block their entry/exit.

Grades 1-8 walkers, please enter and exit the school yard on Simcoe Street. Bussed students will enter and exit on Sydenham Street as well as the Kindergarten students. Parents, please follow these procedures as it helps tremendously to keep pick up and drop off times organized and running smoothly. Thanks to all our families for your understanding and patience when using our parking lot/driveway to pick up and drop off students.

School Bus Safety Week and School Bus Driver Appreciation Day

School Bus Safety Week takes place Oct. 17 to 21, 2022. Please visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) website at main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca for information on school bus safety and links to school bus safety resources. Oct. 19, 2022 is School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in the province of Ontario. It's a great opportunity for the school community to thank our bus drivers for all their hard work transporting students to and from school safely.



Potential Student Transportation Delays

In order to receive delay and cancellation notifications, families can check the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) website at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca or download the 'BusPlanner Delays' app from the Apple or Android app stores to receive delay notifications to their devices. Users would need to select Simcoe County STC as the transportation authority. The app will need to be forced closed, but you will be able to select your student(s) routes or school to receive delays. The app will send a general notice for any cancellation in Simcoe County. You only need to know which 'zone' you're in, so you would know which one to look out for in the app. You can find your student's zone by visiting the School Bus Status page at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca and clicking the dropdown for the area you live in.

Inclement Weather And Bus Cancellation Reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca. Our school is in the Central Zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. School staff are expected to plan for such emergencies in order to transition students who are unable to attend due to inclement weather, to their online platforms (Google Classroom and/or SCDSBhub [Brightspace by D2L]) and continue with academic programming. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

The Consortium and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled in the morning will not run at the end of the day. You can follow the Consortium on Twitter [@SCSTC_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>.

Have you met Sora?

Our digital ebook/audiobook collection contains over 4,000 titles waiting to be checked out by our SCDSB students. Students simply download the app, use their SCDSB login and start reading for free on their phone or tablet. The collection can be accessed at: meet.soraapp.com.



Parents' Guide To Mathematics

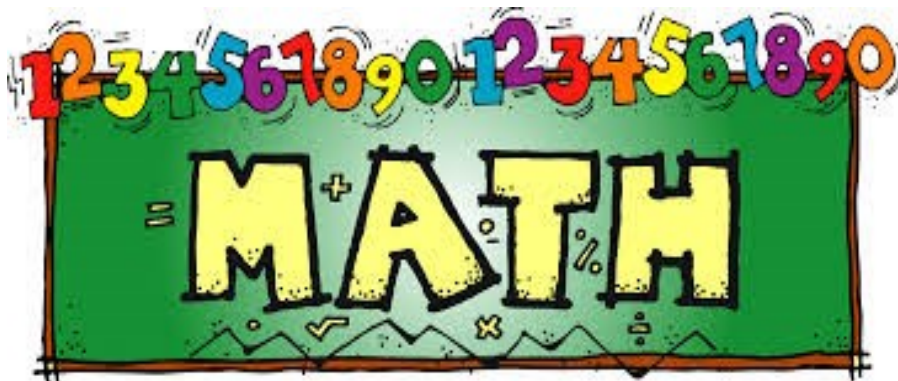
Are you curious about how you can support your child's growth as a mathematician? Visit the parents' guide to mathematics at ontario.ca/page/new-math-curriculum-grades-1-8, where you can find a summary of the knowledge and skills your child will be learning as they progress through each grade, information about how you can support your child's learning, and how the curriculum was developed.

You can make a difference and support your child's learning by making math a regular part of your day-to-day life at home. You can help your children make connections between what they learn in school and everyday experiences at home and in the community.

You can:

- find ways to incorporate math at home
- inspire a love of learning and better understanding of math
- talk with your child about their math schoolwork
- show an interest in what they are learning in class

help make learning fun by finding real world applications of what they are learning together. For more ways to support your child's math learning at home, please visit: ontario.ca/page/support-your-childs-math-learning.

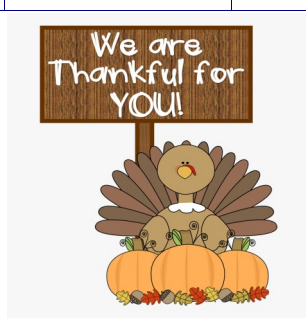




Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	WE ARE IN THE CENTRAL ZONE FOR ALL BUS CANCELLATIONS					1
2	3 School Council Meeting	4	5	6	7 MacMillian Kindergarten Fundraiser Begins	8 
9	10 Thanksgiving (No School)	11	12 Cross Country Meet A&W Night	13 Terry Fox Day at AMES	14	15
16	17 Last Day of Shoe Drive Lunches Made Easy	18	19 Meet the Dragons Mr. Sub	20 Picture Day	21 Flag Football Tournament MacMillian Orders due	22
23 30 Halloween	24 PA DAY 31 Lunches Made Easy	25	26 Mr. Sub	27 Grade 7 and 8 Vaccination	28 Kindy/Primary Halloween Scavenger hunt Grade 7 and 8 Vaccination	29

Upcoming Dates To Remember

-Report Card Day	November 10
-MacMillian Order Pick Ups	November 24



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