



# SANDHILLS NEWSLETTER

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Care

Accountability

Respect

Excellent Effort

**School Mission:** Sandhills Elementary School is a safe, fun place where our minds and bodies grow.

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Written by Students of Sandhills

## Annual Terry Fox Update

As a school, our goal was to raise \$300 to go towards the Terry Fox Foundation for continued research. We raised **\$650.35**.



Thank you to everyone for helping us to reach our goal.

## CARE Bear Assembly Wednesday, October 23 at 12:45 pm

Parents are invited to join Sandhills staff and students at their monthly CARE Bear Assembly on **Wednesday, October 23, at 12:45 pm**. Classes that will be performing are **2B & 3C**.

## \*\*\*Morning Drop Off\*\*\*

Morning drop off time begins at **8:30 am**. Please do not drop off students earlier as there is no supervision.

## KFC Sale, Friday, October 18

**Orders Due Thursday, October 17, by 10:00 am**

**Note:** This includes 1 small popcorn chicken & small fries for \$3 - ketchup provided. Feel free to send condiments with your child, provided they can put them on themselves.

Second Step Spotlight  
Skills For Learning - Using Self Talk



An important skill for learning is using self-talk. Self-talk means talking to ourselves in a quiet voice or in our heads. Self-talk can help children stay on task and focus their attention. Talk to your child about what self-talk they might use if they were trying to remember directions their teacher gave them or a chore they were asked to do at home. Encourage them to use self-talk whenever they need to stay focused and on task!

## School Council Meeting Monday, October 28 at 7:00 pm

If you have any items that you would like discussed at the meeting please contact our school council chair, Melanie Wiebe, at 780-502-4745, prior to the meeting.

## Save the Date Open House Thursday, October 24, 7:00 - 8:00 pm

Students are invited to bring their parents to Sandhills to meet the staff and show parents their classes. Come see what your child is learning at Sandhills. Some special activities will be planned for this event. Join us for a great evening. **Please note:** students must be accompanied by a parent.

## Subway Sale Friday, October 25 Orders are due Thursday, October 24 by 10:00 am



## Cheese Pizza Sale



Friday, November 1  
Orders Due Thursday,  
October 31, by 10:00 am

## Lifetouch Picture Days - October 29 & 30

Our school picture days are **Tuesday, October 29** for T/T Kindergarten & Grade 1-2  
and **Wednesday, October 30** for  
M/W Kindergarten & Gr. 3.

**NOTE:** If your child is not here on their scheduled day and will be here the other day please let the office know at 780.928.3947.



## Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection Week is November 18 to 21!!

THE POWER  
of a  
SIMPLE  
GIFT

### WHY PACK SHOEBOXES?

When you pack a shoebox, Operation Christmas Child works with churches around the world to deliver these gifts to children living in **war, poverty and disaster**. Each box is a powerful expression of **hope, joy and love—but that's only the beginning!**

Shoebboxes open the door for us to work with local leaders to address needs such as access to clean water, and improved farming methods. Most importantly, shoeboxes open the door for children hear about **God's Greatest Gift—Jesus Christ!** After receiving a shoebox gift, children are given the opportunity to participate in the **Greatest Journey Program**, an exciting Bible Study Program on what it means to follow Jesus Christ!

**Deadline to Drop Off Your  
Fully Packed Shoebboxes is  
THURSDAY, November 21st**

At Sandhills School by  
9 am.



SHOEBOXES SENT FROM CANADA

are going to the following countries!

Empty shoeboxes and labels can be picked up at  
**Ridgeview Central School**  
**Suds R' Us Laundromat**  
**Canadian Dollar Store**  
**Goods Galore**  
**Apple Drugs**  
**Rona**  
**Buffalo Head Coop**



### IMPORTANT CHANGES!

**Donate \$12  
Per Shoebox**

A donation of \$12 per box is critical to cover shipping costs and The Greatest Journey program material.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR  
ANNUAL SHOEBOX PACKING PARTY**

**Thursday, November 21st**  
starting @ 6:30pm  
at Ridgeview Central School!

Reminder, all children  
need to be accompanied  
by an adult please.

**Volunteers are NEEDED to help with Setup!**  
**STARTS AT 3PM**



We'll be at the 2024 **Christmas Bazaar**  
for our **Annual Bake Sale!**

On **Saturday, November 30th** from 10am to 4pm (or until sold out!)  
*And load up on some delicious baked goodies, just in time for Christmas!*