

# Dr. A.T. LEATHERBARROW PRIMARY SCHOOL



**D**ream **A**chieve **T**each **L**earn



**Be Kind**

**Be Safe**

**Be Responsible**

**Be Respectful**

## Important Dates:

- Friday, February 2: Grade 2 Choir is singing at the Seadogs game at 7:00
- Monday, February 19: Family day no school
- Thursday, February 22: Hot Lunch Orders for March are due into the office by 2:30 PM
- Thursday, February 22—Home and School Meeting at 6:30 PM
- Monday, February 26: Kindness Week
- Wednesday, February 28: Pink Shirt Day
- Thursday, March 1: Family Fun Fitness Night



## Dr. A.T. Leatherbarrow Primary School

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1-855-535-7669 (SNOW LINE)

## Lunch with the Principal

Our Code of Conduct is to **be kind, be safe, be responsible and be respectful**. For the month of January we focused on being responsible. All students who demonstrated being responsible in the halls, on the bus, in the classroom, on the playground, etc. had their names entered into their classroom buckets as "Bucket Fillers." Students whose names were drawn from their classroom buckets had lunch with me!

## **Kindness Week Celebrations**

*February 26 to March 2*

Every day we will be celebrating kindness with a different activity. We will be collecting non-perishable food for the Hampton Food Bank Monday to Thursday. On, Friday, we will be collecting loonies for a donation to the IWK.

- Monday: Write about a friend day
- Tuesday: Be kind to family day
- Wednesday: Make a school friendship craft
- Thursday: Be kind to our bodies — Family Fun Fitness Night
- Friday: Wear your favorite Pj's and bring your favorite stuffed toy



# Celebrating Parent Support of Education

## Family Fun Fitness Night—Thursday, March 1st

All students and their family members are invited to attend our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Fun Fitness Night from 6:00 – 7:30 pm, Thursday, March 1st.

Family Fun Fitness Night is an opportunity for students and their family members to participate in many fun fitness and wellness activities. Our goal is to encourage mental and physical wellness by having families enjoy fitness together. Save the date!

Volunteers are an integral part of the success of the evening. Areas of need include, set up and clean up, locating door prizes, and running a few of our stations. If you are able to help on that afternoon or evening, please call the school and leave your name and telephone number. We would love to have you on our team. Thank you!



### S.I.P. Tip - Attendance Matters

#### Why It Matters

If children don't show up for school regularly, they miss out on fundamental reading and math skills and the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into college and careers.

Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of 3rd grade.

Who Can Read on Grade Level After 3rd Grade?<sup>3</sup>



64%

of kids with good attendance in K and 1st  
(missed 9 or fewer days both years)



43%

of kids with at-risk attendance  
(missed more than 9 days both years)



41%

of kids chronically absent in K or 1st  
(missed 18 or more days one year)



17%

of kids chronically absent in K and 1st  
(missed 18 or more days both years)

### Math Matters — 100 Days of School

An interesting way to incorporate real math into school is to celebrate the 100th day of school. Our teachers incorporate the ideas into their daily activities. They begin with the first day of school and end on the 100th day which usually falls mid February. This year the 100th day of school will be celebrated during the week of February 12th. The teaching opportunities prior to the actual day are endless. The children (depending on grade) learn to count by ones, twos, fives, and tens. They learn to use number lines and about tens and ones. As the 100th day grows closer, so does the excitement. A variety of activities take place on the 100th Day; for example, students may do 100 Day projects, read 100 Day books, and participate in 100 Day crafts.

### **DATL HOME AND SCHOOL**

Next Meeting: Thursday

February 22nd

6:30pm

# We Celebrate Literacy!



**Thank you** so much to the many volunteers who helped make "Literacy Week at Leatherbarrow" such a celebration! Many Dads, Grampies and Uncles came in to read aloud from their favourite books, and so did the Hampton Huskies hockey players during "Favourite Jersey" day. How exciting to have so many wonderful male role models sharing their love of reading.



Special thanks also goes out to Mrs. Muir and the team of dedicated DATL Librarians, who created a great "Favourite Book" display.



We had a lot of fun dressing up in our favorite book character

## Art from the Heart—Stepping Stones

This year, as part of Art from the Heart, our special whole-school art project will be based on the book, "Love you when..." by Linda Kranz. This is a sweet book that talks about what we love and what is special to us. If you would like to read this book, we have posted it on our school website.

Each child will be making their own personalized stepping stone. In order to do this, we need your help. Please collect little trinkets or items that they would like to place in their stepping stone and send them into the school. These can be small things like special pebbles, pieces of Lego, sea glass, tiny toys, or anything else neat you can find that would fit. The size of the stepping stone will be about that of a layer cake so keep the size in mind!

Please label a bag and send these items in with your child after you have collected your items. The school will be supplying some materials if your child does not have enough. Remember, these will be placed in concrete so do not include anything valuable that you or your child would want to use again!

All stepping stones will be unveiled on the night of Art from the Heart!!

**Please send all of your child's items to the school by Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.**

Thank you so much for helping us with this exciting project!

### Guidance Corner

February is a wonderful month to show how you care. Let's celebrate how we feel about each other each and every day by taking the time to tell those you love how you feel about them. Each night, around the dinner table or before bed, ask the members of your family to share something **happy** that happened that day. It can be as simple as telling someone that the hug they gave you was the best ever. When we focus on the positive we feel happy and so do the people around us.

This February 28<sup>th</sup> is Pink Shirt Day. If you can, please send your child to school wearing pink on this day to help raise awareness of bully prevention. The theme is "Be Someone's Hero." Speak up and make a stand if you see bullying happening.

### Home & School News

Thank you to everyone who supported our December fundraisers. Kredl's Produce Packs raised \$560 and our V.I.P. ticket sales raised \$382. We also held our first ever online auction which raised \$824. We hope you all enjoyed bidding on our wonderful items. Stay tuned for our much larger auction this spring. You can find more information and check out our items at our facebook page, Dr. A.T. Leatherbarrow School Inclusive Education & Play Initiative. The Second Cup Fundraiser that was sent home January 25<sup>th</sup>, is due Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>. We are excited to announce that we now accept e-transfers for payment. You can send e-transfer to [datlhomeandschool@gmail.com](mailto:datlhomeandschool@gmail.com). Please use "Leatherbarrow" as the password. Cheques can be made payable to DATL Home & School. Our next meeting is Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 in the staff room.

### Staff Appreciation Week

February 12th to 16th is Staff Appreciation Week!

Please join us in celebrating our entire staff at DATL.

# MedicAlert No Child Without program saves lives!

One out of three Canadians have a condition that paramedics and emergency responders need to know about, including many children that live with a medical condition, allergy or special need that must be communicated during a medical emergency.

**MedicAlert** is the **most trusted, most recommended medical ID service provider** in Canada. For more than 55 years, MedicAlert has protected the lives of over one million Canadians by offering **exclusive services** to those that are in need. The **No Child Without** charitable program, founded by MedicAlert in 2006, has protected over 50,000 students in the last 10 years and supported school officials to address concerns about students living with chronic medical conditions, Allergies Anaphylaxis, Asthma, Diabetes or special needs.

This program provides **children and students**, attending participating schools, one **free** MedicAlert medical ID and **free** MedicAlert service plan coverage **between the age of 4 and up until their 14th birthday**. To date, the **No Child Without** program is available across over 200 school boards, in over 6,000 schools.

Dr. A.T. Leatherbarrow is participating in the MedicAlert No Child Without program and we are happy to introduce the program to more students at our school! Thank you MedicAlert for providing lifesaving service!

## **Parents and guardians should consider this program if their child lives with:**

- A medical condition
- Allergies and requires the use of an epinephrine injector
- Asthma or uses an inhaler
- Autism or ADHD
- Medication they need to take

For a more comprehensive list of conditions or simply learn more about the No Child Without program, visit [nochildwithout.ca](http://nochildwithout.ca).

## **ABOUT MEDICALERT**

**MedicAlert Foundation Canada** is a national registered charity, and it is the most trusted and most recommended medical identification service by healthcare professionals in Canada. MedicAlert has been protecting over one million Canadians for over 55 years, by offering **exclusive benefits** including:

**Critical assistance in seconds** – An exclusive 24/7 Emergency Hotline that is answered within an average of 5 seconds, in 140 languages

**Family notification service** – MedicAlert tells emergency responders what they need to know about the student and notify family members in the event of an emergency

**Designed to rigorous medical standards** – ensures all information on the MedicAlert identification adheres to globally accepted medical standards that are critically relied upon by emergency responders

