

# Crystal Beach Comet

Mr. S. Shad, Principal

Dear Parents, Guardians:



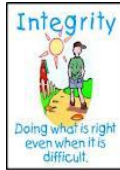
Remembrance Day is on Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. This is a very important time to honour the brave

Canadians who sacrificed so greatly for our freedom and our current Armed Forces. I look forward to joining our community at Ridgeway / Crystal Beach Cenotaph for the Legion Remembrance Day Ceremony being held on Friday, **November 11<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 am on the corner of Ridgeway Road and Farr Avenue. The students will be honouring our veterans with a laying of a wreath and song led by Miss Schultz. Parents are welcome to join us for this solemn ceremony. I am very thankful for the efforts of both the School Council and the Parent Association for all they do in the best interest of our students. It is exciting to be working with them and welcome all parents to join us for the School Council meetings. We had a great time at the School Council Movie Night on October 28<sup>th</sup>.

We are looking forward to celebrating the Rick Hansen 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Man in Motion tour. Joshua Pearson has been selected to be our Medal Bearer. The relay will come by Crystal Beach at 11:30 am on Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. Please come out to cheer on the relay and Joshua.

The students are moving forward with our writing focus. Staff are using strategies such as feedback, student self-assessment and conferencing, along with using organizers to help students improve in making connections in their writing. We look forward to the progress all our students are making!

Mr. S. Shad



## Character Education

### November's Character Trait: Integrity

**Integrity** means being what you say you are or think you should be. It means using your beliefs about right and wrong as the rules for your life.

#### Integrity Do's

- Stand up for what you believe.
- Be your best self.
- "Walk your talk." Show commitment and courage by doing the right thing no matter what.

*Integrity - your actions reflect what you say and value.*

#### **A person of integrity will:**

Stand up for their beliefs openly and boldly.  
Listen to their consciences and live by their principles.  
Are honorable in their actions.  
Have the courage to do what is right and try new things when it is hard.  
Build and guard their reputations.

#### **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

The policy of the District School Board of Niagara is for schools to remain open for students who can get to school safely. Inclement weather or poor road conditions may force the cancellation of transportation services. If buses are cancelled every

attempt will be made to provide the public with information by the 7:00 a.m. radio news report (CKTB 610 AM, CHTZ 97.7 FM, CHRE 105.7 FM, CKEY 105.1 FM, SPIRIT 91.7 FM, CHSC 1220 AM, Y108 107.9 FM, WAVE 94.7 FM). Information on school closings and/or bus transportation interruptions will be broadcast by the local radio stations and procedures arranged in the School Emergency Information form will be followed. We will make every attempt to put a message on our answering service so parents can get information by calling the school phone number. Parents, Thanks for Calling in Absences! You are doing a great job!



#### **School Council**

Crystal Beach had their second School Council meeting on October 25<sup>th</sup>. The School Council consists of parents providing a structure for the Principal to obtain advice from the school's stakeholders. All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend the school council meetings. Please be a part of our growing team! Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 22, 2011 at 6:00 pm in the school Library.



#### **Students of the Month**

Each month, the staff at Crystal Beach takes time to recognize students who demonstrate excellence in a particular area. Our recognition assembly was held on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. Thanks for Mrs. Poitras and Mrs. McLaughlin

for the great student pictures for our slideshow.

Congratulations to the following:

Effort: Amy Potter, Austin Thomas, Anna Beahm, Anna Matthews, Teegan Tulk, Cole Mackinnon, Jack Kemp

Attendance: Cadden Warren, Brodee Hill, Joesph Lalonde, Bradey Desilest, Travis Lalonde, Hunter Lightheart, Zoe Henhawk.

Help/Appreciation: Jorja Putman, Dania Maracle, Jordan Lalonde, Johnathon Wellard, Tyson McCourt, Justin Spear, Noah MacDonald

Respect: Zachary Thomas, Connor Auclair, Mia Rosina, Matteo Bell, Bianca Stroffilino, T.J. Lalonde, Katelyn Thomson

Our next Student Recognition Assembly will be Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 am. We will attempt to notify parents with our Blaze Cast prior to the assembly. We look forward to seeing you there.



### Norcard Limo/Pizza Hut Winners!

Great Job, Comets! You all did a wonderful job on the Norcard Fundraiser over the last number of weeks! Thank you to all of our community members that have supported our efforts to do great things for our students! A special thanks to **Miller's Auto** for donating their limo for our trip! Thanks Mrs. Serabian for organizing the fundraiser. Winners of the Limo Ride for Lunch were:

**JK - Carolanne Gerow**  
**SK - Callie Wightman**  
**Grade 1 - Emma Mathes**  
**Grade 2/3 - Emilee Schinkel**  
**Grade 3/4 - Savannah Richardson**  
**Grade 5/6- Devon Bythell**  
**Grade 7/8- Sweet Hill**



### Lunch Program/Breakfast Club

Please participate in our Cereal Drive for our Breakfast Club. Any Life brand cereal would be greatly appreciated. Also, pizza will be for sale from Bella Pizza for \$1.25.



### CHRISTMAS WITH SANTA AT CRYSTAL BEACH !!

The School Council will be hosting "Christmas with Santa" on Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10 am to 12 noon, we will have a pancake breakfast for the community, Santa Claus with pictures, and many other wonderful Christmas goodies! Please assist us by volunteering! If you can help us out please contact Mr. Shad at the school.



### CRYSTAL BEACH CHRISTMAS DINNER

We will be celebrating the season with a Christmas Dinner for the entire school! We are making dinner again this year on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at lunch.

### School Community Food Drive

Mrs. Serabian is organizing our School Community Food Drive.



Please donate canned food items, pasta, jams, toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes). Look for the donation bin at the office. Please call Mr. Shad if your family could benefit from a hamper at this time of year.

### RIDGEWAY CRYSTAL BEACH HIGH SCHOOL GRADE 8 DAY

On Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> our Grade 8 students spent the day at Ridgeway Crystal Beach High School. This was also "Take Your Kids To Work" Day. These events are designed to allow students the opportunity to see the High School and some of the great things happening.



### Spirit Wear

The Crystal Beach Comets Spirit Wear order forms will be handed out the week of November 7<sup>th</sup>. Please return your order form and money by Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks for participating!



### PROGRESS REPORT CARDS & INTERVIEW DATES

The Student Progress Report card will be coming home on **Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011**. Interviews for all parents will be held in the evening of **Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**. We encourage all parents to attend. More information is forthcoming.



### VOLLEYBALL SEASON

The boys and girls volleyball teams have had fun with the new season. They have demonstrated strong skills and good sportsmanship on the court.

Ms. Cooper has taken on the girls' and boys' team. Both teams have had a great season this year. Team members for the girls are: Sweet Hill, Ella Rawn, Zoe Winney, Bonnie Nadjiwan, Jordan Exnowski, Kayla Plante, Alyssa Horne.

Boys' team members are:

Jack Kemp, Jaxon Aquilina, James Merry, Joshua Pearson, Noah McDonald, Hayden Pearson.

**NEWSLETTER DRAW:**

Congratulations to our October Newsletter Draw winner: Aldain Flook

Please sign and return this slip to indicate that you have read the Crystal Beach Comet. One return slip will be chosen randomly. This lucky student will win a prize!

The \_\_\_\_\_ family has read the Crystal Beach Comet.

Student(s) Names

Teacher(s)

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this page by Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011

**PROBLEM SOLVING**

Capital City is preparing for their annual winter festival.

They plan to decorate their park with 201 strings of lights and each string of lights has 40 bulbs.

How many lights bulbs are there in all? \_\_\_\_\_