

# École Ness



École Ness - Notes from the Office September 22, 2023

Instagram:

**@ecole.ness**

School Office Hours: 8:15 am - 4:15 pm, Monday – Friday

## **Important Dates:**

Monday, September 25, 2023	Cross-Country @ George Waters
Monday, September 25, 2023	Terry Fox Run
Thursday, September 28, 2023	Cross-Country @ Beaudry Provincial Park
Friday, September 29, 2023	Orange Shirt Day
Tuesday, October 3, 2023	NO SCHOOL PD DAY
Thursday, October 5, 2023	AGM Parent Advisory/Council Mtg @ 6:00 pm via TEAMS LINK TO COME
Monday, October 9, 2023	Thanksgiving Day- No School
Friday, October 13, 2023	School Photo Day
Tuesday, October 17, 2023	Early Dismissal @ 3:10 pm
Friday, October 20, 2023	Inservice Day- No School
Thursday, November 2, 2023	Photo Retake Day
Monday, November 6, 2023	Fall Immunization Clinic
Wednesday, June 5, 2024	Spring Immunization Clinic

## **Terry Fox Run:**

We will be having our run on Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> during periods 3 and 4. Students are encouraged to wear their Ness gear or Ness colours. Donations to Twoonies for Terry can be made through using school cash online.

## **Orange Shirt Day:**

On Friday, September 29 we will recognize Orange Shirt Day. Students are invited to wear an orange shirt in memory of Indigenous children who were forced to attend residential schools and for those who did not return home. Students will participate in the first of a series of lessons where they will explore the life of Elder Mary Courchene, a residential school survivor.

There will also be activities throughout the week to support our learning about Truth and Reconciliation. Grade seven students will participate in an Indigenous floor map activity where they will learn more about Indigenous territories. On Wednesday, student volunteers

are invited during lunch to help make Orange Shirt pins and there will be smudging on Friday at lunch.

Families are encouraged to learn more about the history of residential schools in Canada alongside their children. Please consider learning from the following resources:

[The Witness Blanket](#)

[Phyllis Webstad - On Orange Shirt Day.](#)

[Beyond 94: Truth and Reconciliation in Canada](#)

[For younger siblings: When We Were Alone Read Aloud](#)

**Internet Safety:**

[Raising Digitally Responsible Youth: a guide for parents and caregivers](#)

This resource contains a wealth of information to help you and your child navigate social media and the internet in a safely.

**News from the Music Department:**

**Band 2023-2024**

Important information about instrument rentals, supplies and events can be found at:

[École Ness Band Families](#)

**Choir 2023-2024**

Information about our school choir this year can be found at:

[École Ness Choir Families](#)









