



NEWS AND NOTES

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday

- Cops for Cancer Riders arrive at school 2:20

Tuesday

- Bring in a Loonie for Terry

Wednesday

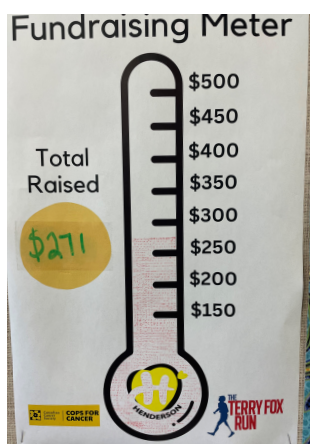
- Bring in a Toonie for Terry

Thursday

- Last day for donations to Terry Fox and Cops for Cancer
- Terry Fox Run 11:00 - **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS**

Friday

- ProD Day - no School for Students while teachers work on improving our practice!



THIS IS YOUR PRINCIPAL SPEAKING

Thank you to those and came to support us on Thursday night for Meat the teacher night! What a wonderful turnout. Not going to lie, BBQ is my least favourite thing to do - and yet somehow I really enjoyed serving burgers to new faces and many of my favourite people.

A reminder that this week we will be concluding our fundraising for Terry Fox and Cops for Cancer. Please feel free to donate to either cause, on Thursday we will do a final count and determine whether we were able to raise more than James Thomson... I will make sure to take a picture with Mr. Rounis that shows the winner. Either way I am so proud of how our school has rallied together and in only a few days raise \$271!

With the Terry Fox run on Thursday we are looking for Parent Volunteers to come and supervise points along the run. Please let me know if you are able and willing to help.

Classes have started to settle in and have been focusing on normal routines. If you haven't heard from your teacher yet, please reach out to them, or myself, to make sure that they have the correct information. Next week we will also be starting our Crossing guard program on Willow - please keep an eye out for student crossing guards. We also remind parents to drop off along Willow rather than the hill or pulling up to the school. Lastly information will be coming out soon about student leadership and our Grade 7 trip - keep an eye out!

AYAJUTHEM WORD OF THE WEEK

[ʔaʔaθəm](#) **Sharing/Giving away (ah-ah-them)**

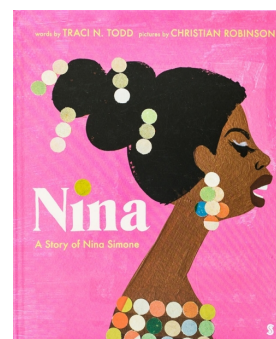
This week as we have been preparing Cops for Cancer and Terry Fox there have been conversations surrounding donations, and where that money goes. Our Society attempts to emphasize the value of giving, whether it be monetary donations, a food drive, or donating blood - and yet these organizations continue to struggle to have sufficient for their needs. However, the idea of giving, sharing, and redistribution of goods was integral to our Coastal caretakers since time immemorial. Until the Potlach was outlawed through the [Indian Act in 1884](#) coastal nations would use Potlach ceremonies as part of their governing, cultural and spiritual practices. People would gather from different nations to give gifts and to celebrate often for days. Potlaches were banned as part of the assimilation efforts of the Canadian Government. By the time the ban was lifted in 1951 the practice, and cultural/spiritual implications that went with it, were all but gone. May each of us learn to carry the spirit of the Potlach within and give. Give of our time, talents and goods to help those around us.

HENDERSON READS

Nina: A Story of Nina Simone

Traci N. Todd

Born in 1933 in North Carolina, Eunice Kathleen Waymon loved playing music but quickly realized that being Black meant the road to success would not be easy. To hide her passion from her religious mother, she changed her name to Nina Simone and came to be a powerful voice for equal rights for all and justice for Black people.



THIS WEEKS QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“School is a building which has four walls with tomorrow inside.” – Lon Watters

GUILDING PRINCIPLE OF THE MONTH

Respect