

Wednesday 28th October 2009

Dear Parents,

Character Parade / Dress Down Day this Friday All children are invited to 'dress down' for school this Friday in Halloween Colours. We will have a parade of characters at 2.15pm, so if children want to join in, please have costumes in a bag ready to change into. Children will be too uncomfortable in costume all day.

Dress down days at The Ashcroft School traditionally require a \$1 fee from all children to donate to a selected charity. Our dress down dollars this Friday will go towards The Terry Fox Foundation for Cancer Research. We thank you all for this support.

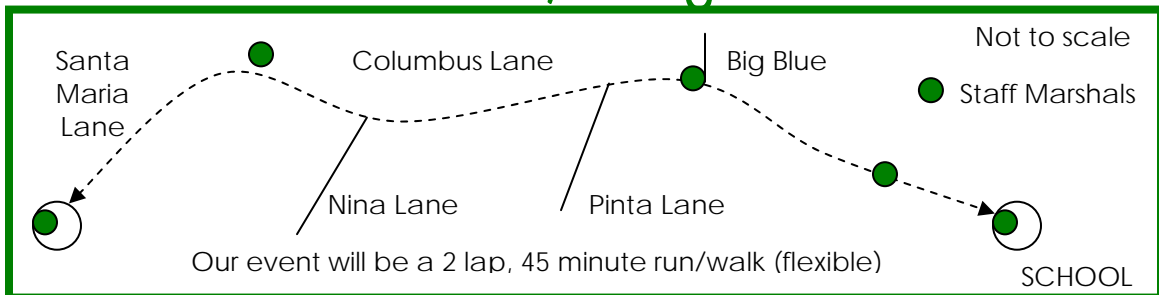
Parents, please take special note of the following details, we need your support, your presence and your friends with strollers. Thanks to Coxco for providing additional refreshment for the children.

The Terry Fox Run for Cancer Research



On Monday 9th November 2009, The Ashcroft School will host a run/walk in Leeward for cancer research. The run/walk will start on the school car park at 9am and follow a simple route through Leeward. (Please see my map below) The Terry Fox Foundation was established many years ago in memory of an extraordinary man and in hope that a cure for cancer would be found. All children from JK to Grade 6 will participate and we call upon all parents to join us in our efforts to raise money for cancer research. In conjunction with an island wide event, we ask that parents and children make voluntary donations for cancer research at the donation table that will be set up outside the school office. This is not a sponsored run/walk.

Come to school in PE Kits, change of uniform needed



How have we prepared our children for this event?

Mrs. Nicola Williams joined us at the school yesterday, Tuesday 27th October to present the story of Terry Fox to the children. Her stories were very sensitively delivered in three small age groups: JK and SK, Grades 1 & 2 and Grade 3 – 6. Thank you Nicola and the representatives of The Bordier International Bank for including the Ashcroft community in this event.

Please remember, the teachers and children of The Ashcroft School need parent support to walk or run with us and to show community awareness of the need for cancer research. **In order to make this event safe and a success we will most certainly need a high ratio of adults: pupils. Please inform your child's teacher of your intention to attend & join children on the route.**

Thank you all in advance for your support. All donations will be managed by a representative of The Bordier International Bank.

French at The Ashcroft School

For the early part of this academic year, our French teacher Mdme. Josiane has been quite ill and unable to return to school. We have been blessed with the skills of our two colleagues Ms. Julie Heller and Mrs. Irene Danics to continue our French programme successfully and with enjoyment for our children.

Mdme. Josiane is sadly still not able to return to work fully fit and we wish her a speedy recovery. For the duration of Term 1, our French programme will continue to progress smoothly with Ms. Heller and Mrs. Danics. Our plan forward will be assessed again during the Christmas break.

Remembrance Day Assembly

On 11th November at 10.45am in the lunch area, Grade 2 children will host a special assembly for Remembrance Day. Grade 2 parents are welcome to join us for this assembly and please do wear your poppies.

Sincerely,
David O'Connell, Principal