School Attendance
Parents are reminded that students are expected to attend school every day unless they are ill or have a legitimate appointment (medical, dental).

Also, it is very important that our students all arrive at school on time. The first bell rings at 9:03 for the students to line up. Unfortunately several students have been arriving late. This causes a disruption when they enter the classroom and increases the work of our office and safe arrival volunteers.

Please call into our safe arrival program (905-729-2631 or email tbe.scdsb.on.ca) to report if your child(ren) will be absent or late.

Volunteer Tea
Our Volunteer Tea is on June 16 from 10:30 – 11:30. Please RSVP with the office. Let’s celebrate our team of volunteers!

Volunteer Offence Declarations
CRC/VS Declarations are now available in the office. Come in and complete yours now if you are on our current approved volunteer list. Let’s be ready to volunteer on the first day of school in September.

Denim Day
On Thursday, June 2, we will be celebrating Denim Day! National Denim Day is now in its 15th year and is celebrated all over Canada. This event was started by the CURE Foundation, which raises money and awareness for cancer research. All staff and students are encouraged to wear denim to school on this day and bring in a donation for the CURE Foundation. Each participant will receive a pink ribbon to wear to show their support for this worthwhile cause.

Track & Field
Track and Field will be held at Tecumseth Beeton on Monday, June 6. Light refreshments and pizza will be available for sale (order forms were sent home). We are in need of parent volunteers. If you are able to help on this day, and are on our approved volunteer list, please contact Mr. Mayer. Send your child with sunscreen and a hat. We encourage everyone to bring a refillable water bottle.

Kindergarten Registration
Kindergarten Registration began in February and will be an ongoing process. Registration can take place anytime in the school office during business hours, from 8:30 am until 4:00 pm. Children born in the year 2007 are eligible to register. Please call the school office at 905-729-2631 to make an appointment. You will need to bring your child’s birth certificate and immunization records with you to your appointment.

Thank you Parents and School Council
Thank you for supporting all of our fundraising efforts. Recently we have purchased the following items to benefit our students. We truly appreciate your generosity!

- 6 document cameras
- 4 CD players
- 6 Multi-media carts
- 2 LCD projectors
- Variety of levelled reading books
- 2 listening centres

Come and see our outdoor classroom come to life!
We received a $1000.00 grant from Green Apple School Grant and have been working on an outdoor classroom area with a patio, picnic tables and butterfly gardens for our school community to enjoy.
Thanks to Raybrook Landscape Construction of Alliston for their time and expertise in installing the base and the stone. The next step is creating butterfly gardens around the patio. We would be happy to accept perennial plant donations for the gardens...echinacea, shasta daisies, butterfly bushes and sedum attract butterflies in a sunny garden.

We would appreciate a ‘neighbourhood watch’ on weekends and evenings to ensure the integrity of the outdoor classroom from misuse and vandalism. Last weekend the picnic tables became ramps for skate boarding and we would like to avoid this in the future.

Thanks to everyone for their support!

Allergy Awareness
Information may be located on the following sites:
- Anaphylaxis Canada – www.anaphylaxis.org
- Allergy Asthma Information Association – www.aaia.ca
- Food Allergy and Anaphylaxis Network – www.foodallergy.org
- Youth at Risk – www.whyriskit.ca

These sites provide lots of information about signs and symptoms of anaphylaxis, food information, managing anaphylaxis at home and school and safe food products.

No More Hot Lunch this year
The last hot lunch was served on Friday, May 27th. Please note that there is NO HOT LUNCH IN JUNE. Please make sure you send your child(ren) with their lunch on Fridays for the remainder of this school year.

Thank you to all our wonderful food suppliers who give us delicious meals at low cost. See you next year! A huge thank you goes out to Tracy Olendy, Jayn Vamplew and crew for organizing and delivering this delicious fundraiser. Profits from our hot lunch program are used to subsidize field trips and other general school needs.

Our Milk Program ends on June 10th.

Next year we will be following the new Food and Beverage Policy. For more information, check out www.ontario.ca/healthyschools.

Primary Play Day
The Primary Play Day will be on Tuesday, June 28. We are looking for parent volunteers to help us with this event. If you are on our current approved volunteer list, please contact your child’s teacher if you are able to help out on this date.

Jump Rope for Heart
Jump Rope for Heart will be held on Thursday, June 23, 2011 during the middle block (11:25-1:05). Pledges or $2.00 donations will be accepted. More information will come home soon. Please help support the Heart and Stroke Foundation.

Warm Weather Dress Reminder
Just a reminder that as part of our school dress code, bare midriffs are not allowed at school no matter what grade the student is in. We realize that due to the current fashion trends, it is difficult to find pants that are not cut low, skirts and shorts that are not too short and tops that are long enough, but we do ask parents to please monitor what their children wear to school so that it does not disrupt our learning environment. Also in the hot weather, please encourage your child to wear some sort of hat in the yard and have sun screen.

Skateboards, Bikes, Rollerblades, Scooters.
Please respect our school rule! Skateboards, bicycles, rollerblades and scooters are not to be ridden on school property. With the high volume of traffic at our school, it is much safer for our students to be on foot. Thank you for your understanding in this matter. We want to keep your children safe!
Some children who display an unusually advanced degree of general intellectual ability may require additional program support in order to reach their educational potential. In consultation with parents, the school staff determines who these students are through the gifted screening process. Parents of a student who will be in or above grade three in the next school year, who wish the school to consider their child for screening, are asked to submit a letter of request to Ms. Baldry before June 17, 2011.

The gifted screening process consists of three components:
1. a Teacher Rating Scale;
2. a Parent Questionnaire;
3. standardized test results (usually the Otis Lennon School Ability Test)

After signing a permission form, parents/legal guardian will complete the Parent Questionnaire. Information obtained from this questionnaire will help the school gain a better understanding of your child’s early development as well as his/her strengths, interests, needs and abilities which the standardized test may not identify. The teacher will complete a Rating Scale, which examines areas such as learning, motivation, creativity and leadership which he/she has observed in the classroom. Group testing will be completed and the results will provide a standardized measure of school abilities. The information gathered from all three components will assist the school in programming for your child.

If you require information about the gifted screening process, please contact Ms. Baldry.

From The Library
Summer is approaching us quickly. In the month of June, students will be asked to take out one book only as we will start collecting the library books for the end of the year.

Over the summer months, it is important to keep our kids interested in reading. Here are a couple of tips:

1. Visit the public library. Enjoy the air-conditioning on a hot summer’s day, as you browse the collection of books.
2. Treat your kids and yourself...go visit a local bookstore! Instead of spending money on a movie...invest in some good books.
3. Try the following websites:
   - http://veatch.glogster.com/Reading-Practice/ - a collection of reading games
4. Do some word searches, crossword puzzles and Sudoku games!
5. Visit websites that interest your child and have them read it to you.
6. Go to tourists attractions that involve some reading...The Hockey Hall of Fame and the Science Centre both have a lot of reading to do!
7. Remember, a parent is a child’s first and most important teacher. Show your child that you still enjoy reading. Grab a book, magazine or newspaper as you sit on the deck and enjoy the sun.
8. Whether it is a book, magazine, website, e-book or environmental print...it is still reading! Have fun!

Stinger Rugby 2011
What a wonderful group of athletes: enthusiastic, skillful and charismatic. Twenty-seven rugby players embraced a soggy spring season this year as they often played on less than hospitable terrains – perfect rugby weather! Two tournaments, regular season play and of course practice that included digging the rugby ball out of mud puddles - a crowd favourite – put us in good standing for the Area finals in Alliston. With ten competitive teams all yearning for the covenant Area championship – a warm and sunny day was well welcomed and brought out true grit in each team. The finely tuned Beeton Stingers took the morning by storm going 3-1-0, putting them directly into the quarter finals with a bye where they went to face a recently hot Alliston Union. The Stingers never quit, they took Union right to the wire, back and forth, try for try, but in the end were narrowly edged out in a grueling match. Your coaches are very proud of you, you exemplified what character education is in sports - be proud of your acco

Lost and Found
Please come and 'browse' our lost and found area outside of
the library and see if anything belongs to you!! Unclaimed items will be donated to charity.

SUMMER ADVANTAGE
"Summer Advantage" is a fully coloured 192 page, activity book designed to reinforce and maintain Kindergarten to Grade 7 students' academic learning skills over the summer months. There is one 192 paged activity book per grade level from Junior Kindergarten to Grade 7. There is also a Language Toolkit for students entering Grade 8 and 9 in September. Every book is aligned with the Ontario curriculum expectations. In addition to the summer, the books can be used all year long from September to the following June. All books have parent information pages, evaluation forms; follow up activities and a family focus. The cost of each book is $19.05 plus GST ($20 Total). This is a savings of up to $4 from retail stores and online. You can visit www.summeradvantage.ca to view a unit of the book you would like to order. With all books orders, Summer Advantage will provide attraction discount coupons to numerous attractions including Wonderland, Ontario Place, Medieval Times, Wings of Paradise, Centreville, South Simcoe Railway, Pucks farm, Safari Niagara Zoo, Bowmanville Zoo the Hamilton Civic Museums, Bingemans, Santa's Village, Bird Kingdom, Kitchener Museums, Stratford Shakespeare Festival and more with over $300 in savings. An order form /information sheet with more details about the "Summer Advantage" program has already been sent home with your child. (More forms are available in the office.) Please return the order form to your child's teacher by the end of the day on June 6 and ensure all cheques are made payable to Summer Advantage.

JUNE – HEALTHY EATING TIP!
The new Food Guide recommends limiting:
- foods and beverages high in calories, fat, sugar or salt
- saturated fats from fatty meats, butter, lard, shortening and hard margarines
- trans fats in such foods as doughnuts, cookies and other baked goods
- salt (sodium)
- sugar in such items as soft drinks and desserts

Check it out at: www.smdhu.org
SNACK IDEA for after school: fruit slices with vanilla yogurt dip

JUNE – ACTIVE FUN TIPS!
Children are naturally energetic, but without encouragement, they may become inactive. It is up to you as a parent or guardian to keep your kids active. One way is by being a good role model. If your children see you make physical activity a priority, they will take note. Research shows that active parents have active children.

Check it out: www.healthycanadians.ca
SNACK IDEA for after school: cold pasta salad with grated veggies and feta cheese

JUNE – BULLYING PREVENTION
I know that my difference makes me unique and interesting. I treat others the way I'd like to be treated. I treat others with respect. I honor different ways of being, acting, and believing – even if I don't agree with these ways. I have the right to be myself.

Check it out: www.kidshelpphone.ca
Stand Up – Reach Out – Tell Someone
Ontario Early Years
Are you home with little people and looking for something fun to do? Drop by the Ontario Early Years Centre in Alliston! The OEYC is a free service for all adults with children 0 to 6 years of age. Adults and children participate in activities together. Children have the opportunity to play with other children and participate in many different types of programs and activities, which promote early learning and school readiness, and they are FUN for children and adults alike. Call 705 435-4308 for hours, directions and more information.

OEYC offers parent education programs that help you with everyday parenting issues, which can be useful since children don’t come with an instruction manual!

OEYC also offers outreach programs in communities outside of Alliston. These programs include a variety of activities, circle time (story and songs) and crafts. You might like to visit the following locations and join in the programs there:

- Tottenham Community Centre, Lions Club Room – 10 am – Tuesday June 7th and Wednesday June 15th
- DA Jones Library, Beeton – 10:30am – Friday June 3rd and Tuesday June 21st

Do you have a child starting Kindergarten this September? OEYC Alliston is offering “Here Comes Kindergarten” on Wednesday June 8th at 7pm, an informal evening giving you some ideas to prepare your child for kindergarten success. Please call 705 435 4308 to register.

Get a healthy start with Free Dental Care
The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit has two no-cost dental programs for eligible children and teens ages 17 years and under—the Children in Need of Treatment (CINOT) program and the Healthy Smiles Ontario (HSO) program.

CINOT treats the urgent dental needs of children and youth whose families cannot afford dental care.

HSO offers a full range of dental services including checkups, cleaning, fillings and more, through:
- a full-service clinic at the health unit’s Barrie 80 Bradford Street office
- a participating dentist or dental hygienist or

- the health unit’s mobile dental clinic that travels to communities in Simcoe Muskoka.

To find out more about the programs, eligibility requirements and how to make an appointment, call Your Health Connection Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520 or visit www.simcoemuskokahealth.org.

Free Camp for Grieving Children
Seasons Centre for Grieving Children is offering a summer day camp for children 7 – 12 years of age who have had a parent or sibling die or who are terminally ill. The camp dates are July 11-15, 2011 or August 8-12, 2011. Camp hours are 9:00 to 4:00pm. Please call Joan at 705-721-5437 or email joan@grievingchildren.com for more information.

Our QSP Family Reading Magazine Program will be returning this FALL, so please save your magazine orders (new or renewals) and order them through our school program. We all benefit!
- Our school earns profits through magazines people already purchase.
- QSP prices are up to 85% off of newsstand prices. A single magazine can cost as little as $1.00 per issue. That’s a great investment in literacy!
- Any reading material, including magazines, will encourage children to read and a parent who reads is a great role model!

If you can’t wait until our program starts, you can order early and still support our school by shopping online! It’s easy…just visit www.QSP.ca.