

# Chiganois Elementary School Notes

By Linda Harrington

A very thoughtful and inspirational Remembrance Day Service, facilitated by Grade 5 student Eamon Staples, was held in the gymnasium on Nov. 10th. Mrs. Saunders' and Mrs. Phillips' classes sang Pittance of Time. Guest speaker was Mr. George Cooke, from the Debert Legion. The girls in Mrs. Parker's class read Why We Wear a Poppy while the boys presented Homesick Soldier Boy. Ben Donkin, Trent Ferdinand and Nicole Rector

read their original poetry. Mrs. Elliott's and Mrs. MacGregor's classes read a poem called Poppy. Rachel Murphy and Brianna Crosby read the poem Never Forget. Mrs. Davidson's and Mrs. Stonehouse's classes presented The Poppy and Mr. Greer accompanied the Grade 2 to 5 classes as they sang Remember Flanders Fields. Christien Raymakers, a grade 12 CEC student, performed the Last Post on trumpet, followed by a Moment of Silence. The whole school

sang together the song, "Sing for Peace". Wreaths were laid by Michael Reid and Hannah Porter. A special thank you is given to Mrs. Parker and Mr. Greer for organizing the Remembrance Day Service. Report Cards go home on Nov. 29th. Parent-Teacher visitation will be held on Dec. 2nd from 6:00- 8:00PM and on Dec. 3rd from 1:00 - 3:00PM. No school for students on Dec. 3rd. Principal, Kathy Weatherbee will be wishing

students and staff a Merry Christmas on Dec. 14th by providing a turkey dinner for all. What a delicious gift! Students and staff are encouraged to wear red and white on Dec. 16th. Mrs. Weatherbee will be visiting each classroom to read a story and share a special treat. The PTG is collecting Christmas bags, tags, and wrapping paper for their Christmas Store, which will be held on December 17th. Please send any of these items into the school before Dec. 1st. Thank you in advance to Scotsburn and Tim Hortons for their donations of treats for the sing song on Dec. 17th beginning at 2:15. Hot chocolate and egg nog will be shared along with festive singing!

Next meeting of the PTG is Jan. 19th. The annual Christmas Concert will be Dec. 9th at 7:00PM in the AV room at CEC, Truro. A 50/50 draw will be held before the concert begins. Reminder to families! Skating will be held at West Colchester United Arena from 3:30- 4:30 on November 29th, December 13th, January 10th, 24th, February 7th, 21st and March 7th. The cost per person is \$2.00. Come out and have fun! Chiganois School is still looking for a fish tank, if anyone has one to donate, please call the school at 662-4420.

# Clifton 4-H Club News

By Marla McNutt

The Clifton 4-H club had their 2nd general meeting on November 2nd, 2010. Our new Council members were nominated and voted Jelisa Waugh as President, Jacob Works as Vice President, Jonathon Waugh as Treasurer, Heidi Anderson as Secretary, and Marla McNutt as Club Reporter. As of our last meeting, the projects our club offers are Dairy, Dog Obedience, Clover Buds, Adventures in 4-H, Agriculture Ambassadors, Floriculture, Garden, Foods, Goat, Sewing, Woodworking, Jr. Leader, Cake Decorating, Sheep, Vet Science, Scrap booking, Cavy, Outdoorsman, Photography, Horse, Rabbit, Poultry, and Waterfowl.

On October 23rd, the 4-H Awards Banquet and Auction was held. From our club there were County Awards given to Jonathon Waugh for Top Junior and Holly Masters for Top Rookie. There were bursaries given to Jenna Waugh, Catherine Burrows and Alexander Burrows. Also, there were awards given to Leslie Burrows and Jackie Groves for being leaders for 10 or more years. Congrats to everyone. Our next meeting will be on December 7th. It will also be the club's Christmas party and it will be held at Jane Blackburn's. 4-H members will be able to pick up their Christmas wreath orders. Marla McNutt is Clifton 4-H Club reporter

# Debert Elementary School Notes

By Linda Harrington

Debert Elementary held a very special Remembrance Day Service on Nov. 10th. Michaela Priest was the emcee. A Remembrance Day Message was presented by Jada Totten, Brad Metlin-Rendle and Brandon Barclay. Alex Weatherby and Marlee Green read a poem called "I Want to See the Soldiers". Lauren Wood and Rachel Aikens read The Canadian Story. The Grade Six Class presented "R-E-M-E-M-B-E-R" and Canaan Hebb presented a personal story of remembrance. Carlie Barnhill introduced guest speaker, Mr. Robert Collins and Kelley Singer introduced guest speaker Ms. Diana Frizzle. Grade Two students sang "People of the World". Ian Kittilsen and Kylee Singer, Grade P-1 and Jaden Stry-Trefry and Mallory Priest, Grade 2-3 laid wreaths on behalf of the school.

The Service continued with the playing of "The Last Post", followed by a Moment of Silence and playing of "Reveille". Closing remarks by Mrs. Cox were followed by "God Save The Queen". Lisa Adams, along with two residents and staff from Shannex Debert Court came to the school on Nov. 5th to make a very special presentation. They were donating a huge box of books to the school, which had been donated by friends and family over the last month. Thank you to everyone at Debert Court for this very generous donation.

Colchester Regional Library representatives are coming to the school on Nov. 25th. They will update students on the many new and interesting books available. The second annual fund raiser for Haiti is being held on Nov. 26th. An evening of family entertainment will be held, beginning at 6:30. Cost is \$2 per person or \$5 for a family. Refreshments will be served; there will be a 50/50 draw, raffle on a Christmas basket, and live and silent auctions throughout the evening. A portable Haiti House will be on display. The goal is to send two of these houses to Haiti. Several challenges have been issued throughout the school. Mr. Barley has volunteered to take a pie in the face if over \$250 is raised. Mrs. Cox says she will be duct taped to the wall if over \$1000 is raised and Miss Langille will shave her head if over \$2000 is raised for Haiti. It should be an exciting evening. Miss Langille has been holding a Creative Lunch this past month. Students bring their lunch and work on craft items. They are donating this

month's crafty creation to a craft fair in Stewiacke, with all proceeds going to help a child who has been diagnosed with Leukaemia. Goat Works was at the school on Nov. 17th. Students were treated to a hands-on presentation on African drumming. Report Cards will be going home on Nov. 29th, with Parent-Teacher visitation on Dec. 2nd from 6:30- 8:30 and on Dec. 3rd from 1:00 to 2:30PM. No school for students on Dec. 3rd. Stop by Mug & Muffin day on Dec. 2nd, at 8:30AM. Bring your own mug, have it filled with coffee and enjoy a tasty muffin while the Grade 4-6

Drama Club presents several skits they have written and directed on bullying. The Christmas Concert is planned for Dec. 13th, with an afternoon and evening performance. The PTG will be raffling off comfy front seats for the concert. Students will perform their concert again on Dec. 15th for residents at Debert Court, weather permitting. Christmas Blitz, a time when students shop for their family members, will be held on Dec. 15th and 16th. Donations of new or gently used items may be dropped off at the school any time. Gift bags, tags and wrapping paper are also needed.



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