



Greetings from Lou MacNarin Home and School Committee!

Did you know:

Students with parents who are involved in their school tend to have fewer behavioral problems and better academic performance, and are more likely to complete high school than students whose parents are not involved in their school. Positive effects of parental involvement have been demonstrated at both the elementary and secondary levels across several studies, with the largest effects often occurring at the elementary level. A recent meta-analysis showed that parental involvement in school life was more strongly associated with high academic performance for middle schoolers than helping with homework!

We would like to offer you an opportunity to become involved in our school by helping the Home and School Committee. Lou MacNarin School has a student population of 360 students. We have 19 homerooms and a staff of 50! At our last Home and School Committee meeting, 5 staff members and 6 parents attended our meeting to plan for our Annual Ghostly Gala. We are hoping that our families will consider helping out with this fun activity. The Gala will be held on October 22 from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM in the gym and cafeteria. The event will cost \$5.00 per child or \$10.00 for a family. Adults and preschool children attendance is free. Children must be accompanied by an adult. The event is not a fundraiser and we rely on the generosity of our community to keep the costs low so that everyone can attend and join in spending time as a community at school.

The committee is hoping that you might consider helping out. We need a variety items that you might be able to donate. If you are able to make a donation, we would like to have these items by October 14th so that the committee can identify what items we will need to purchase to make sure we have enough snacks/items for our children.

- Glow bracelets
- Tattoos – appropriate for children 1 – 10 years old
- Snacks/ Prepackaged treats /popcorn/**no baked goods, nuts, or milk products, please.**
- Small prizes – spider rings, tattoos, pencils, erasers, book marks, etc.
- Door Prizes
- Bottled water

If you can help by donating items, they can be sent to the school. If you would like to donate time setting up, decorating, planning, monitoring the snack items or help to clean up, you can contact home and school to register at Lmshomeandschool@hotmail.com

Our next meeting to plan and organize for the Ghostly Gala will be held on October 14th at 6:30. If you are interested in being on a celebration sub-committee of Home and School, that will celebrate the hard work that happens at school, please contact Home and School at Lmshomeandschool@hotmail.com

Other events that you may be able to help with later in the year may be the cookie dough fundraiser, Holiday Lunch, or the Pancake Breakfast.

Thank you in advance for thinking about helping out to make our school year the best ever.

Home and School.

