

## CREEKER PURPLE PINKIES FOR POLIO CAMPAIGN

Monday, October 17 2016

Creeker Families,

Garden Creek School has partnered once again with the Fredericton North Rotary Club to raise funds and awareness for children in developing countries unable to afford the polio vaccine.

Once rampant throughout New Brunswick 60 years ago, polio affects young children by paralyzing their leg muscles so they can't walk. Most of the world is polio free thanks to vaccine, but there are still countries where the disease continues to exist. **It costs just \$2.00 to vaccinate and protect one child.**

Vaccinated children have their pinkie finger marked with a purple dye to indicate they have received protection. So, on **October 28th**, our school is planning to mark the pinkie finger of every student and, at our assembly that day, celebrate how we have made that difference in our world.

Your child's homeroom teacher will be collecting toonies (\$2) beginning on **Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> through to Thursday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**. If you are willing and able to donate to this great cause, please send in your toonies to your child's homeroom teacher.

Also, in recognition of World Polio Day, on **Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup>** we are asking students to **wear purple**.

This initiative will facilitate your child's learning about leadership, responsibility and life beyond the classroom, specifically the fight for global polio eradication. Your participation and donations are greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

Garden Creek Staff

**Purple  
Pinkie**

