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Sawyerville Elementary getting some fresh air



Terry Fox Run



Cross Country Run



Take Me Outside Day.

Since the beginning of the year, students have had fun participating in many different physical activities such as: Health and Fitness Day, Soccer Tournament, Terry Fox Run, Walk-A-Thon, Cross Country Run, and Take Me Outside Day. Providing our students with as many opportunities as possible to be active is a priority for Sawyerville Elementary.

Virgin Hill Coffee expanding into new opportunities

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Virgin Hill Coffee Roasters is making some big changes. The business is buying the building that was owned and occupied by Eastern Townships Docks on Route 243 in Foster; taking ownership on November 12 and moving in starting November 15.



According to Tara Moar, who owns the company with her husband Matthew Greer, the new location should give the company more exposure in an area with more traffic. It will also give them an opportunity to open an “atelier de café,” Moar said, where people can stop by and check out some of their products. They hope to have that open by next spring.

“I think it’s the perfect spot for us,” she said. “We’re not on top of anyone here.”

The company is already making changes to the building. The 5,000 square-foot back room has been cleared out and insulated to make room for the roaster, which will be converted from natural gas to propane. The roaster was originally a wood burner, Moar said, but they switched to natural gas because it was available in Waterloo, where the operation is currently located.

“It’s a big investment,” Moar said, adding that it should make the company more efficient in packaging.

There will be offices and a conference room as well, and there is also space at the new site to store the signature Airstream trailer the company takes to events.

The couple grew up in Knowlton and went to Massey-vanier High School together. They started the company in 2005.

"We knew where we wanted to be when we were raising a family," Moar said, noting that they both came from entrepreneurial families.

Early on, Greer worked at a roasting house and he enjoyed it, but he worked long hours. From there, the couple opened their first roasting operation in Waterloo, but the building was destroyed by fire.

"We lost everything," Moar said, adding that insurance covered only 30 per cent of the loss.

Not giving up, they signed a ten-year lease on the building they are now in, in Waterloo, just about ten years ago.

The couple then thought about taking their coffee to the public, and they found a 24-foot 1969 Airstream trailer in Toronto. It had been gutted and it took three months to turn it into a coffee shop on wheels.

Their idea was to go to events and offer free coffee in exchange for donations to charity. The charity of choice is usually connected to the event. People would often donate more than the value they were getting, Moar said. Now they charge for the coffee but 100 per cent of what they take in goes to charity.

"This year we had a big push for the Shriners," she said, explaining that their son spent some time at the Shriners hospital a few years ago, and they wanted to give back. They raised \$2,000 asking for donations door-to-door and another \$1,700 through the business.

Last year the company raised \$15,000 for various local charities.

"With the Airstream, it gave us a chance to give back to the community that supported us," Moar said. The business owner added that the company didn't want to compete with the stores and restaurants who bought their coffee.

That, she explained, is why the Foster location is good. Although their building is across the road from Scotyz Terrace and Bistro, she said that the two enterprises could complement one another.

Attending events with the Airstream gives the company an abundance of exposure, Moar said. "They start with a love of the product, and the customers come to you."

Although clearly making waves with the mobile shop, the end of that ten year lease also began to loom, and the couple began looking for a new home two years ago. Drawing on a connection with Gilles Nadeau, the owner of Eastern Townships Docks, Virgin Hill was able to work out a deal that was beneficial to everyone.

Looking ahead, Moar said that Virgin Hill Coffee Roasters continues to plan for a bigger future. The company wants to expand further to the south and the west to Montreal. It already sells coffee to a store at Jay Peak in Vermont.

Asked about competition from Green Mountain Coffee, Moar replied that Green Mountain, a company that has grown into a huge corporation, is on a different level than Virgin Hill.

“Their small market is huge for us,” she said. “And people don’t see the Airstream down there.”

They are also planning to have a coffee festival, hopefully in 2020 in Knowlton where they would invite competing companies.

For now, though, Moar said they have to concentrate on the move to the new building.

“We knew this could be a gem,” she said. “We’re not in it to fail.”

Letters

The CAQ education plan should be welcomed by the Anglo community

On October 19, 2018, the presidents of the Quebec English School Boards Association (QESBA) and, its French counterpart, the FCSQ, congratulated our new Education Minister, Jean-François Roberge, and requested a meeting "as soon as possible" to discuss priority issues in education.

No question, one of those issues will be the Coalition Avenir Quebec (CAQ) education plan to transform elected school boards to practical administrative service centers. This will be done by scrapping school board elections and investing precious school tax dollars in schools and their governing boards, where the major decision-making will be made by those closest to our children.

This past weekend the QESBA held its Annual General Meeting, an Executive Committee Meeting, and a Board of Directors Meeting.

According to QESBA's 'Weekly Message,' details of their Strategic Plan will be finalized "to put in place a concrete road map" for the next three years, starting in 2019.

The 'Message' also stated that prior to these meetings, QESBA Executive Director, Russell Copeman, was interviewed on the CAQ position on School Boards.

A CTV piece was titled: "Copeman: English education not subject to 'Notwithstanding, ' and the CJAD: "CAQ can't get rid of English school boards that easily: Copeman."

That said, let's review what MNA Christopher Skeete, who is Premier Legault's parliamentary secretary for relations with the English-speaking community and responsible for the secretariat said on the matter.

"The CAQ has been clear: English-speaking Quebecers are a founding people of Quebec, English people should feel at home in Quebec and that is never going to change." "What we're talking about with school boards is giving more power to English-speaking Quebecers by decentralizing decision-making, empowering parents, empowering teachers and empowering the local principals.... I think it's an empowerment vehicle, not a disempowerment thing or a disadvantage."

For the greater good, in this high-tech communications world, the CAQ education plan should be welcomed by the Anglo community.

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The Terry Fox Run



On Thursday, September 27th, it was the annual Terry Fox run at SES. The event featured all of the students at SES (including the teachers) and some parents. It was a great day to have the run, the sun was shining and there was inspiring music playing.

The SES community was raising money for cancer research. If \$500.00 were to be raised, the students would have an extra long recess! In the end, \$1016.50 was raised by SES community, so the goal was doubled!

To keep the event more organized, the teachers asked the sixth-graders to assist with organizing the event by setting up the field, leading the warm up and keeping runners safe by watching the boundaries.

Everyone encouraged the runners by cheering. Even some people from the neighbourhood came to cheer us on over the fence! We felt great.

The Parent Participation Organization (PPO) provided apples for all students at the end of the run.

Thank you to everyone who made donations and thank you to our PPO for the apples. In conclusion, we finished the run and had a great time. Maybe you could join us another time! We will always remember Terry Fox and his marathon of hope in the early 80s.

Collaboratively written by 6L

S.E.S Cross Country Run

On Saturday October 13th 2018, it was the first annual S.E.S Cross Country Run at Sherbrooke Elementary School (S.E.S). The cross country run was for all students from kindergarten to grade six! The purpose of the run was to encourage the students to run and to raise funds. The run was 500 m for kindergarteners, grades 1 and 2. It was 1 km for grades 3 and 4

and it was 2 km for grades 5 and 6. The cost of the run was five dollars per person. The money was going to be used for more sports equipment and for the sport department! Good job to all students who participated in giving money and running the race. We raised about 535\$! There were many many people who ran the race, about 110 students out of 500 students of our school ran.

Here are the students who won a medal:

500m

Cycle 1 girls: Frédérique Lortie Gold, Nelly Connon, Emma Gaudet

Cycle 1 boys: Damien Martel Gold, Elliot Martel, Yousef Saritas 1km

Cycle 2 girls: Felicia Connon, Amy Cloutier, Sophia Ghilarducci

Cycle 2 boys: Félix Vellend, Abdallah Moussa, Chad Grandbois

2.5km

Cycle 3 girls Grade 5: Aurianne Goulet, Maélie Giroux, Alyson Ticehurst 2km

Cycle 3 boys Grade 5: Maxime Nelsonleblanc, Jason Gagné, William Pinto 2.5km

Cycle 3 girls Grade 6: Julia Carrier, Mena Abd el Rahman, Justine Moffett 2km

Cycle 3 boys Grade 6: Vincent Angio Maltais, Charles Martel, Frédéric Giroux

Here are the times of the students who got a medal:

500m

Times: Frédérique Lortie: 2:25, Nelly Connon: 2:26, Emma Gaudet: 2:32

Times: Damien Martel: 2:04, Elliot martel: 2:12, Yousef Saritas: 2:15 1km

Times: Felicia Connon: 4:12, Amy Cloutier: 4:26, Sophia Ghilarducci: 4:37

Times: Félix Vellend: Adballah Moussa: 4:02, Chad Grandbois: 4:05 2.5km

Times: Aurianne Goulet: 11:43, Maélie Giroux: 12:11, Alyson Ticehurst: 13:36

Times: Julia Carrier: 11:09, Mena Abd El Rahman: 11:22, Justine Moffett: 11:44 2km

Times: Maxime Nelson-leblanc: 8:16, Jason Gagné: 8:17, William Pinto: 8:21

Times: Vincent Angio Maltais: 8:15, Charles Martel: 8:15, Frédéric Giroux: 8:55

Good job again to everyone who ran the run. Thank you so much to Mr. G and Mme. Geneviève or organizing the event. Thank you to Mme. Chouinard and Ms. Bowen, Mrs. Hickey, Ms. Sarah and Mme. Bellerose for coming to the event and helping out. We would also like to thank the students for participating. Thank you again to people who gave money for the S.E.S phys Ed department. We hope to see you next year!

By: Justine & Julia 6L

Grade Three

At S.E.S, the grade 3s are currently doing a Global Read Aloud with children from Pennsylvania. The book they are currently reading is "A Boy Called Bat" They really enjoy working on this project. They are currently talking to each other by class. They keep discussing about the book and they would definitely do it again.

Overall the students love grade 3. They have a lot of friends, They also like the new Mrs.c 2.0 and the fun activities. They're favorite one was the Terry Fox Run.

Students from grade 3 really enjoyed the Terry Fox Run, and they think the Terry Fox Run is not only to run for fun. They know the Terry Fox run is to raise money for cancer research and to find cures for that. The SES students raised 1016\$. They loved the music and the cheering from all the students.

The grade 3 students say that the Peace March is to spread peace and love all across the world. They absolutely enjoyed spending time with their little buddy. The message of the Peace March was to grow kindness all around the world. By Julia and Laurent 6L

Grade 3/4

Grade 6 reporters visited a class called 3/4 H and asked them a couple of questions. We asked what is their favourite subject and most of them said gym and math. Then we asked "do you like your class?" and they said yes. They love to learn it's easy and fun for them but they don't like taking tests. They also said that they are nice to each other and their teacher. The way class happens is that the grade 3 gets taught then it's the grade 4's who get taught. It's complicated but that's it. Their favourite colours are blue, red, green, pink and turquoise. Their favourite foods are spaghetti and donuts. By Jayson G 6L

Mme. Blouin's Class

Mme. Blouin is a grade 3 homeroom teacher at SES, but also a French teacher for grade 6 and grade 3. Yesterday Justine, Laurie and myself went to take photos and asked them about the activity they were doing.

The activity was called "Les atelier d'écriture, les petits moments." "This activity is way to learn us how to write a story in French" explained a grade 3 student. The students needed to right a short story that happened to them. For example Harrison wrote a story about his vacation this summer. They do that about one or twice a week.

The children had to follow a plan. They start with thinking of an idea, then they did some drawing to really know where they are going in their story, and then they start writing. To inspire her students, Mme. Blouin often reads stories. Surprisingly more than half of the students we asked prefer writing than drawing.

To finish this article I would like to say that Mme. Blouin's class is wonderful! Thank you to Mme. Blouin and her students for answering our questions! By Julia C 6L

Take Me Outside Day

On Wednesday, October 24th, the students at SES went outside for at least one class to participate in Take Me Outside Day. The students spent class time outside having fun and doing things they enjoyed. The weather was pretty cold but it was not raining. It was cloudy but the kids didn't mind. Students dressed for the weather. People were spread out, some went across the street to Howard Park. Students say that they want to do this again next year! By Class 6L

The Annual Galt Run The Beginning

At the start of the run every runner in S.E.S gathered in the gym so Mr. G and Mme Paquin could talk to the students about the run. At 9:00 they left to go to Galt. When they arrived at Galt, the S.E.S team put their bags away. The students all talked together and kept warm.

Walking The Course

After all the schools arrived all the students followed the teachers to see the course. They watched a teacher (Mr. Fortin) run the course when they were walking the course.

The Terrain

It had rained the night before the race so the field was very wet and muddy, so that made it feel very cross-country like. At the cross-country run the best part was when we crossed through a little wood and we could push ourselves with the trees. The teachers had to create a different path because of all the mud and water. The terrain was just perfect for the cross-country run.

The Results

At the end of the event SES had 23 top 10 positions and 5 medalists. We are all proud of the runners who ran at the Galt Cross-country run. We know that everyone gave their best try and that's what counts. By Philip and Laurent

Mrs. Carrière

We would like to introduce our readers to Mrs. Carrière, the principal of Sherbrooke Elementary School. We nicknamed her Mrs. C 2.0 because our last principal was also Mrs. C. She is new to our school this year. We did a little interview with her so we would like to share that with you.

When Mrs. C has spare time she likes to read. Her favourite sports are basketball and football. She was a gym teacher before.

Mrs. C taught at Trafalgar in Montreal then at The Study and then at Beurling Academy. She also taught at other schools.

Ms. C has older children who are at high school, CEGEP and University.

We really like her, she is nice and she likes the Habs! We know this because when we were in her office, she had some Habs merchandise on display. By Cory and Elliot

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New Horizons as busy as can be

At New Horizons, there is never a dull moment. From the beginning of the school year teachers have been welcoming students in more ways than one! We kicked off the year with a corn roast, giving a chance for staff and students to mix and have some time all together. The food was followed by team building activities, where some ingenious ideas were discovered. It was a tremendous opportunity to start the year off on a very positive note! Fundraising for Terry Fox ensued and of course food was involved. Crepes were sold adding to the donation New Horizons made toward Cancer Research. The annual Walk for Terry took place on October 3 (delayed from a previous date due to the weather) as students and staff

walked from New Horizons to Marche de la Gare and back. The staff was also active outside of school and gathered together to 'Walk for the Cure'. New Horizons added to the total of money raised and was recognized with a plaque for contributions by a Post Secondary Institution. Bravo Team!

After much patience and anticipation, New Horizons was also proud to announce the arrival of several newcomers. Steve Dunn is the new center director, Evelyn Miller our new social work technician, Christine Marticorena our special education technician, and Manon Lamothe our pedagogical consultant. It is an understatement to say that we are growing our services to the learning community and welcome anyone who

wants to further their education.

Celebrating Restaurant Week in October was an easy accomplishment for New Horizons as we continue to develop the family feel and celebration of our more than 26 countries represented in our centre! On October 16, known as "Boss Day", staff surprised Steve Dunn with a homemade T-shirt that shared comments of appreciation and encour-

agement. (Gotta encourage the Newbie for taking this place on!)

With weekly activities, a new Phys. Ed. Class and continued registration that takes students in, New Horizons is a happy, busy place that is allowing staff and students to learn and grow together toward paths to enrichment and success.





Visite d'un artiste à Ayer's Cliff

Les élèves de 3^e et 4^e années de l'école primaire d'Ayer's Cliff ont reçu récemment la visite de l'artiste Trevor McKinven, originaire de North Hatley. Celui-ci en a profité pour réaliser une caricature de l'enseignante Jennifer Mackinnon, et il a ensuite demandé aux jeunes d'essayer de reproduire le tableau avec leurs propres dessins. L'expérience fut appréciée par tout le groupe. (P.T.) (Photo gracieuseté)

The Tillotson Coaticook Region Fund's autumn gifts

Coaticook

Twenty-four local organizations benefitted from this fall's round of grants from the Tillotson Coaticook Region Fund, distributed last Wednesday, October 24th. A total amount of \$79,251.88 was awarded. The program, which is administered by local individuals, gets its money from the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation which has been managing and distributing the wealth amassed by the late industrialist Neil Tillotson.

With a focus on the needs of youth and seniors, the following organizations benefitted: the Lampe Foundation (Sherbrooke CFUW), \$10,000, partnering to support a family physician; Massawippi Valley Foundation, \$10,000, equipment; Ayer's Cliff Elementary, \$10,000 playground; Border Minor Hockey, \$5000, new jerseys; Lennoxville Elementary School, \$8000, playground; North Hatley Elementary School, \$6000, oven and shed;

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Big money for playgrounds

Montant	Nom de l'organisation	Projet
\$3 800,00	Se groupe Scout Coaticook	Camp d'ete
\$600,00	Acti-Sports MRC Coaticook	Ultimate Frisbee et Matelas d'exercice
\$3 000,00	Alexander Galt High School Sports	Galt hockey jerseys
\$4 000,00	Alexander Galt Scholarship Fund	Scholarships
\$1 000,00	Association sportive du lac Wallace	initiation a la peche blanche
\$10 000,00	Ayer's Cliff Elementary	Playground
\$5 000,00	Border Minor Hockey Association	Replacement of hockey jerseys
\$3 000,00	Camp Massawippi	transportation utility cart for camp
\$649,60	Centre d'action benevole Stanstead	Collations sante pour enfants 0 a 5 ans
\$500,00	Centre d'action benevole Stanstead	Fitness & Fun pour aines
\$3 000,00	Centre des loisirs Balwin	Achat d'equipements pour activites sportives
\$1 400,00	Cercle de Fermieres Stanstead	Artisanat jeunesse-soutien a la communaute
\$825,70	College Rivier de Coaticook	T-shirts equipes sportives
\$1 500,00	Comite de loisir Stanhope	Patinoire
\$3 300,00	Comite de residents du CHSLD de Coaticook	Les petits bonheurs
\$375,00	Harmonie des jeunes Ecole Gendreau	6ieme concentration musique
\$10 000,00	Lampe Foundation	Partnering to suppor family physician 2
\$8 000,00	Lennoxville Elementary School	L.E.S. Playground project - phase 2
\$1 125,00	Lennoxville Golden age	Lennoxville golden age
\$260,00	Maison des Jeunes Waterville Les Pacifistes	Jeux de societe - phase 2
\$416,58	Maison des Jeunes Waterville Les Pacifistes	Cuisine ta sante
\$10 000,00	Massawippie Valley Foundation	Equipping 2 new examanation/consultation room
\$1 500,00	Meals on Wheels North-Hatley	meals on wheels
\$6 000,00	North-Hatley elementary school	oven & shed
\$79 251,88		

Alexander Galt Sports, \$3000, hockey jerseys; Alexander Galt Scholarship Fund, \$4000, scholarship; Camp Massawippi, \$3000, camp utility cart; Centre des loisirs Baldwin, \$3000, sports equipment; Stanstead Cercle de fermieres, \$1400, Artisanat-jeunesse; CAB RH Rediker, \$649.60, children's healthy snacks; CAB RH Rediker, \$500, fitness and fun for seniors; Lennoxville Golden Age, \$1125, meals-on-wheels; North Hatley, \$1500; Coaticook Scouts, \$3800, summer camp; Acti-Sports MRC Coaticook, \$600, ultimate Frisbee and mattress exercise; Ass. Sportive lac Wallace, \$1000, fishing initiation; College Rivier Coaticook, \$825.70, sports t-shirts; Comite loisir Stanhope, \$1,500, skating rink; Coaticook CHSLD residents committee, \$3,300, 'petits bonheurs'; Harmonie des jeunes Ecole Gendreau, \$375, music concentration 6th grade; Maison des jeunes Waterville, \$260, games; Maison des jeunes Waterville, \$416.58, 'Cuisine ta santé'.

Neil Tillotson, who was born in East Hereford and grew up in Canaan, Vermont, made a multimillion dollar fortune as an industrialist, following his invention of latex balloons and latex gloves. The principles of Mr. Tillotson were "Be humble, be creative and be kind".

Local artists visit ACES



photo courtesy

This young student, after her lesson from Trevor McKinven, was happy with her caricature of Ms. Mackinnon.

Special collaboration

The grades 3 and 4 classes at Ayer's Cliff Elementary were fortunate to have a private art class given by North Hatley native Trevor McKinven on Wednesday, October 24th.

Trevor did a caricature example of Jennifer Mackinnon slowly as the students tried to copy his legendary work. The students were amazed and were so good at drawing. Trevor spoke to the students about being in the arts, never giving up, practicing and believing in yourself. It was a pleasure to have this awesome artist spend time at ACES!

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Older students try landscapes

On Friday, October 26th, Debbie Mosher came to ACES to give a painting workshop in Mrs. Drew's classroom. The grade 5/6 students learned to mix their colours and follow instructions closely in order to replicate a beautiful fall scene from our area. We are very proud of our budding artists and thankful to have spent the morning with such a talented art teacher!

Students practice mixing their colours.

Debbie Mosher and a few of the students with their finished landscapes.



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