

Dear Parents,

We are thrilled to inform you that our school will be participating in World Prematurity Day this year. On November 17th, over 100 countries join together to observe this important day, and our school is excited to contribute towards raising awareness and support for families affected by preterm birth worldwide.

In Canada alone, approximately 30,000 babies are born prematurely every year. Any baby born less than 37 weeks' gestation is considered premature and can have long term impact. Worldwide 1 in 10 babies is born prematurely.

The challenges and hardships faced by these families are immense. That is why we have chosen to partner with the Canadian Premature Babies Foundation (CPBF), a parent-led charitable organization dedicated to providing education, support, and advocacy for premature babies and their families, both within and outside of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

As part of our participation in CPBF's awareness campaign, we are encouraging all students to wear purple on November 17th to show their solidarity and support for babies born too soon. Purple is the official colour associated with World Prematurity Day, symbolizing the strength and resilience of premature babies and their families.

Additionally, we kindly request a minimum donation of \$2 from each student to help CPBF in their mission to support families of premature babies. Your generous contributions will go a long way in making a positive impact on these families' lives. Parents who wish to receive a tax receipt for their donation can make their contribution directly to the foundation through their website at www.cpbf-fbpc.org/donate.

We are excited about the opportunity to raise awareness and funds on November 17th together with you. By participating in this campaign, we will not only contribute to the important cause of supporting premature babies and their families but also teach our students the value of empathy, compassion, and making a difference in the lives of others.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to joining hands on World Prematurity Day.

Warm regards,

[Your Name] [School Name]

For more information, visit www.canadianpreemies.org