

September 12, 2022

Dear Families.

It was 42 years ago that a young man captivated all Canadians with his perseverance, commitment and courage. This year, St. Mark School is excited to be participating in our 18th Terry Fox School Run for Cancer Research. All monies raised through our event will be forwarded to the Terry Fox Foundation. We are very proud of our contribution to cancer research; to date \$168 617.99 has been raised by the St. Mark school community since 2005!! Last year's total was an astounding \$22 168.90! We again were one of the top 25 schools in all of Ontario where we have been since 2015. In 2021, we not only finished in the top 25, but finished fourth in the province of Ontario. An impressive achievement!

We hope you will join us in continuing the legacy of one of our country's greatest heroes and support this wonderful cause. We are no longer allowed by the school board to accept cash donations. However,

we are hoping you will continue your support by donating to our Terry Fox School Run fundraising page at:

https://schools.terryfox.ca/StMarkCESKitchener

Your child or family can set up a fundraising page from the link (see image and arrow to the right). We ask

the link (see image and arrow to the right). We ask that ALL online pledges be completed by Friday, September 23rd so that we can get a rough tally in before we start the walk.



This year, all classrooms will be walking together to complete our usual Terry Fox route which will be both on and off school grounds as our course winds through the forest behind the school and around back to Autumn Hill Crescent. Additional staff will be on hand to supervise and assist students along the way. Please also encourage your child to wear their Terry Fox shirt, St. Mark Spirit wear, or Canada gear on the run day.

We encourage our students to fundraise, however, it is not a requirement to participate; everyone will join in the actual walk. The walk will be taking place on **Friday**, **September 23**rd. In the event of light rain, the walk will still go on. Terry didn't get to stop when it was raining! If the weather is really not co-operating we will complete the walk at a later date.

We are very honoured to be associated with the Terry Fox Foundation and believe that our involvement will launch a successful, positive, meaningful school year. Thank you in advance for your support. Let's keep Terry's dream to find a cure for cancer alive.

Sincerely,

St. Mark Staff





