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Happy October!

October is in full swing and we can't wait for the Classroom Management workshop! There are still a few spots left. Be sure to register as spots do fill up fast and this 2 part workshop is fantastic!!!

Thank you in advance for your ongoing commitment to professional learning and I look forward to seeing you at upcoming PL experiences!

Warmest regards,

A Note about Registration...

Please note that our workshops are met with a great deal of interest and fill up rather fast. We typically do have wait-lists for upcoming workshops. If you are unable to attend an event that you have registered for, please let me know at sceotpd@hotmail.com as soon as possible, so that I can open the spot to a member on the wait-list.





Registration is simple. Please go to our EventBrite page at:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/ org/4044767557?s=15025537

Please note that registration for Classroom Management and Power2B Me is now open. Registration for the two Earth Day 2016 events will open **November 6th**.

Draws...

This year, every PL workshop will have two draws at the end of the session for a chance to win \$25. The names of the SCEOT members registered and in attendance of each workshop will be put in a draw every session.



Classroom Management (Two-Part)

Dates: Thursday, October 22nd and Monday, November 23

Time: 4:30pm to 7:30 pm both sessions

Please note that registration registers you for both parts. In order to receive the resources for this workshop, attendance is required for both sessions.

This two-part workshop provides occasional teachers the opportunity to access effective classroom management strategies based on the ETFO resource – *I am the Teacher: Effective Classroom Management for the Occasional Teacher.* Teachers will receive practical classroom-tested strategies as well as networking opportunities with other occasional teachers.

The goals of the workshop are to:

- Assist in the development of predictable classroom routines;
- Determine how to empower students through self-discipline and responsibility;
- Explore effective classroom management strategies; and Review the correlation between instructional practice and classroom management.

Participants will engage in dynamic workshop training that will highlight the strategies introduced in the book in relation to their practice. Each participant will receive a copy of the resource: *I am the Teacher: Effective Classroom Management for the Occasional Teacher* as well as a light dinner and refreshments. Further, there will be an amazing selection of classroom resource door-prizes for the first 25 registered attendees that arrive at the workshop.

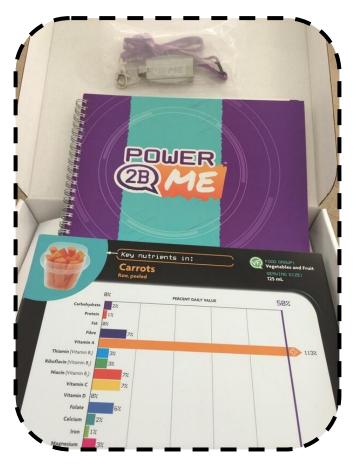
Power 2B Me (Intermediate)

Date: Tuesday, December 1

Time: 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm



Power 2B Me is an innovative cross curricular program that enables intermediate students to eat well! Through engaging in-class activities, food challenge videos, and online technology (including photo-journaling, polls, and food factoids), Grade 7 & 8 students explore personal healthy eating challenges and consider relevant solutions to make better food choices.



The program meets curriculum expectations for Health and Physical Education, as well as cross-curricular connections to subjects including Math and Language. Each participant will receive an amazing Power 2B Me Kit.

Program Kit includes:

- Teacher Guide with grade-specific lesson plans
- USB with 5 videos and electronic copies of peripherals and Black Line Masters
- Class set of nutrient graphs
- Access code to register for the online student profile (a personalized, customizable webpage where students build on and reinforce knowledge learned through in-class activities)



"This was a great workshop for me (an OT specializing in Intermediate). I was introduced to a great health program and the kit is amazing!"

Past Workshop Attendee



Earth Day 2016

This school year, SCEOT will be hosting not one, but **two** Earth Day Professional Learning Programs!

Registration will open November 6th!

Solid Waste Management: Environmental Education

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2015

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

The Solid Waste Management: Environmental Education session presented by Simcoe County will delve into the importance of making waste reduction and diversion, both at school and at home, a priority among youth in Simcoe County. The workshop will discuss the importance of the 3Rs (Reduce, Reuse and Recycle) as presented to Senior Kindergarten students. The presentation will also discuss how to teach young learners to sort waste at home and at school. Further, the program will examine how to discuss with elementary students (grades 1 to 8) the importance of the 3Rs, how waste and compost are recycled, the role waste plays in everyday life, the impact of individual actions, and how to generate less waste at school and at home.



The Mobile Education Unit (MEU) will be on site for you to tour in order to see the games that the students play when it comes to the schools! The MEU is a 30-foot trailer wrapped in wall-to-wall graphics both inside and out serving as a travelling classroom equipped with interactive games which teach the importance of waste reduction and diversion programs. It is the goal of the Environmental Education Program to inspire individuals to take active roles in reducing, reusing and recycling for a healthy tomorrow.

Attendees will receive a number of valuable Environmental Education resources.

The workshop will break for about half an hour for a catered dinner.



Earth Day 2016

Reptiles at Risk

Date: Monday, April 18, 2016

Time: 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

The Reptiles at Risk session presented by Scales Nature Park focuses on reptiles, the most "at-risk" class of wildlife in Canada, with 79 per cent of taxa classified as endangered, threatened, or special concern by the Committee on the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada (COSEWIC). The objectives of the Reptiles at Risk project are to introduce people to this misunderstood group of animals, to inspire them to be concerned about the animals' conservation, to challenge them to discover solutions to the threats posed to these species, and to highlight possible career trajectories in the natural sciences.

The presenter will engage the audience with a PowerPoint presentation, touching on free materials available for teachers to use in their classrooms related to native reptile and amphibian species. These include lesson plans (linked with curriculum) and classroom activities, YouTube videos, and identification guides (all available in both official languages). A mock presentation will also take place and includes a scaled-down version of a classroom presentation. A mix of live turtles and snakes, covering topics like how to tell them apart, where they live, what they eat, why they are in trouble, and how we can help will be covered. This program will include some time at the end for questions, and opportunities for hands-on participation.

The learning goal of the presentation is to talk about how easy it is for elementary teachers to be including discussions of native animals within their daily lessons (whether it be through a lesson plan or a YouTube video). It is hoped that after this Professional Learning, teachers can become more confident in incorporating native species into their daily lessons.









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Please keep an eye out for future Professional Learning newsletters, as there are MANY more workshops in the process of being booked.