



Clearview Meadows Elementary School

Bus zone: West

12 Locke Ave.
Stayner, Ontario

www.cle.scdsb.on.ca

March 2022

<https://twitter.com/CMESwolfpack>

Lisa Saunders
Principal

Character Trait: Integrity

Kelly Cox
Vice-Principal

Supervision on the Yard

If your child is in the walk zone, please remember that yard supervision starts at **8:15** am. Students are not to be left unattended before that time. The YMCA program is not part of the yard supervision.

Character attribute for the month of March

Integrity: we act justly and honourably in all that we do.

More information about Character Education can be found here: www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character_education

Important Dates

March 2 Ash Wednesday
March 4 National Employee Appreciation Day
March 8 International Women's Day
March 11 National COVID-19 Day of Observation
March 14 National Pi Day
March 14-18 March Break
March 17 St. Patrick's Day
March 17-18 Holi
March 20 Spring Equinox
March 21 – International Day of Elimination of Racial Discrimination
March 22 World Water Day
March 23 National School Crossing Guard Appreciation Day
March 25 Earth Hour in Schools
March 26 Epilepsy Awareness Day
March 31 Trans Day of Visibility

March Break

Please note that **March 14 to 18** is March Break for all SCDSB students. Please refer to the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar on the SCDSB website for more information:

www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/planning_for_school/school_year_calendar.

Daily COVID-19 self-assessment

Families are asked to ensure that their child(ren) complete and pass the COVID-19 self-screening tool daily prior to attending school. Based on the recommendation of the OCMOH, the [daily COVID-19 self-screening tool](#) has been updated and includes a more sensitive COVID-19 symptom list as well as the requirement for anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 to self-isolate and stay home, regardless of vaccination status.

Inclement weather and bus cancellation information reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca. Our school is in the **WEST** zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. School staff are expected to plan for such emergencies in order to transition students who are unable to attend due to inclement weather to their online platforms (Google Classroom and/or SCDSBhub [Brightspace by D2L]) and continue with academic programming. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

The SCSTC and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled

in the morning will not run at the end of the day. You can follow the SCSTC on Twitter [@SCSTC_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>.

Keep connected with our school and with the SCDSB

It's important to get accurate information about what's going on at your school and at the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB). Here are some ways to do that:

- Subscribe to our school's website by visiting the 'What's New' section at <http://cle.scdsb.on.ca>. You can sign up to receive emails about school news updates and information during emergency situations. It's easy to subscribe – visit our website and click the 'Subscribe' link at the very top of the page. Provide your email and click 'Subscribe'; a message will be sent to your inbox with a link to click to confirm that you want to subscribe. You can unsubscribe at any time using the link at the bottom of each email.
- Sign up to receive SCDSB media releases by clicking the 'Subscribe' button at www.scdsb.on.ca.
- Follow the SCDSB on Twitter (@SCDSB_Schools), Facebook (facebook.com/SCDSB) and Instagram (instagram.com/scdsb).



Kindergarten registration for September 2022 is open!

Kindergarten is the beginning of a wonderful journey of learning and we want your child to begin their journey in a SCDSB school! Do you have a child who is turning four in 2022? If so, we invite you to register your child for kindergarten. To register online or for more information visit: www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten.

March School Council Corner Updates

Upcoming Parent Learning

Simcoe District School Board presents Pine Rivers Institute Center for Family Initiatives webinar series

Connection and Empathy in Response to Behaviour

Date: Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 7pm

What can our child's behaviour tell us about their developmental needs? How can we respond in a way that builds our relationship and create safety for them, rather than create conflict? Exploring the needs of children through the lifespan and recognizing why we sometimes struggle to connect.

Understanding Addiction and Addictive Behaviours

[Register here](#)

Date: Thursday, May 19, 2022 at 7pm

Looking at why kids can get stuck and how addictive behaviours may develop. Seeing the "function" behind the addiction, and how parents/guardians can support recovery without shame and guilt.

[Register here](#)

What's coming next

Council meeting: Monday, March 7 at 5:30pm-7:00pm via zoom, has been cancelled.

Next meeting is April 4 at 5:30pm-7:00pm via zoom, please contact councilchaircle@scdsb.on.ca to be added to the invite.

EarlyON Child and Family Centres

Did you know that EarlyON Child and Family Centres offer free programs, resources, parenting courses and developmental screening, as well as referrals to community programs? All children, prenatal through 6 years of age, can participate with their parent(s) or caregiver(s). In Simcoe County there are four agencies that deliver EarlyON Child and Family programs. Services are available in English and French and can be explored by visiting www.simcoe.ca/ChildrenandCommunityServices/Pages/EarlyON.aspx. EarlyON Child and Family Centre staff are trained in child development and facilitation of educational programs for parents/guardians and children. Coming soon: a parent/child interactive program for parents/guardians and children who are starting Kindergarten this fall! Stay tuned for registration information.

#ITSTARTS week in the SCDSB

The County of Simcoe has once again proclaimed March as #ITSTARTS month. The Simcoe County District School Board will be championing the #ITSTARTS campaign from March 7 to 11. This campaign promotes inclusion, acceptance, and equity within the vibrant, diverse and growing communities that make up Simcoe County. For more information, visit: <https://www.simcoe.ca/dpt/ccs/lip/itstarts>.

Join us! A learning series for parents/guardians

Mental health and well-being continues to be a key strategic priority within the SCDSB. We are pleased to be part of a three-year partnership with Pine River Institute (PRI). The Centre for Family Initiatives at Pine River Institute (CFI@PRI) will provide several multi-part learning series focused on student mental health and well-being to SCDSB families, staff and within the SCDSB's broader school communities.

There are two upcoming webinars in the learning series specifically planned for parents and guardians during this school year.

March 29 Connection and empathy in response to behaviour
May 19 Understanding addiction and addictive behaviours

We hope you save these dates in your calendar and join us for these learning opportunities. For more information and to register, please visit the mental health and well-being page on the SCDSB website: <https://bit.ly/3jGaC74>.

Pine River Institute is a live-in treatment centre and outdoor leadership experience for youth aged 13 to 19 struggling with addictive behaviours and often other mental health issues. Combining therapy with a fully-accredited education program, PRI reinforces the healthy life skills required for a successful future. CFI@PRI extends PRI's knowledge, experience and evidence-informed treatment approach to families and care providers in the community to support youth mental wellness and prevent the need for more intensive interventions. Learn more about PRI by visiting their website at www.pineriverinstitute.com.

Interested in learning more about the ways that the SCDSB supports students with special education needs and their families? Join us for a virtual special education outreach series

In 2022, the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) is hosting virtual special education outreach sessions to assist parents/caregivers in learning more about programs, supports and ways that we work together to support students with special education needs.

Supporting students as they transition into school, from one school to another, and from school upon graduation – information for parents/caregivers

April 12
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Working with families to create safe and supportive environments for children who have experienced trauma – information for parents/caregivers

May 10
6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Participants are asked to register in advance. Information to access the sessions will be shared via email with individuals who have pre-registered. Learn more about each session and how to register on the SCDSB website at <https://bit.ly/3s8OBm8>.

Math @Home parent/guardian series

The SCDSB math department is offering three evening virtual sessions for caregivers of SCDSB students. These sessions will focus on practical and fun ways to support students with their mathematics learning and engagement at home. Participants must pre-register for the sessions they wish to attend. The math packs will only be provided to the first 200 registrants and will be sent to the school indicated on the registration form. Please note there are limited spaces remaining. Pre-register for each of the sessions by visiting <https://bit.ly/SCDSBMathAtHomeRegistration>.

Making math connections @Home

Thursday, March 24, 2022
7 to 8 p.m.

This session will explore where we find numbers, patterns, measures and shapes in our daily lives. Participants will learn about practical ways to help their child notice and wonder about the math in their world.

Problem solving @Home

Wednesday, April 26, 2022

7 to 8 p.m.

This session will explore how to encourage children to be active thinkers and problem solvers, both in math and around the house. Participants will learn about how solving problems at home can help their children solve problems in math class.

Having Fun with Math Facts @Home

Thursday, May 12, 2022

7 to 8 p.m.

This session will explore practical, intentional, and fun ways to practice math facts at home. Participants will leave with ideas, games, and activities to support their child with becoming fluent with their math facts.

Adult English as a Second Language Program

Looking to improve your English skills? Join our Adult English as a Second Language Program (ESL) classes to improve your listening and speaking skills through class discussions and presentations. Develop your English skills to advance in your current job or open the door to new employment opportunities. Learn more about your local community and explore Canadian culture and history. Adult ESL classes are offered year-round with a continuous intake.

To register for the program, please contact the Barrie Learning Centre at 705-725-8360 ext. 45151, or email ganderson@scdsb.on.ca.

**Please note all students starting ESL for the first time must be assessed prior to starting the class. Fees apply for visitors to Canada and work/study permit holders.*

School bus driver employment opportunities



School bus operators in Simcoe County and Muskoka are actively hiring school bus drivers. Positions are available immediately and in all communities within our region. The role offers flexible, part-time work, that includes morning and afternoon bus routes, as well as charter and field trip opportunities.

You can play an important role in the school day of students in your community!

To learn more about becoming a school bus driver, please contact the local school bus operator in your area:

Landmark Bus Lines – Collingwood (Collingwood, Stayner, Wasaga Beach and area) 705-446-1196

For more information, visit: <https://main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/kindergarten-transportation-information/>

Information provided by the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium