



Clearview Meadows Elementary School

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Student/Parent Conferences

Teachers will be holding Student/Parent Conferences during the week of November 13 – 17 with parents of children whose progress they wish to discuss. If you have not signed up the Teacher sign-up sheets are posted inside the front door on Monday, October 30.

Remembrance Day Assembly

We will hold our annual Remembrance Day Assembly on Friday, November 11 at 10:45 a.m. Parents are welcome to join us for this assembly. Due to the significance of this event, guests are asked to remain for the entire assembly.



Healthy Eating During Celebrations

We have many celebrations to look forward to throughout the school year. The teachers will be recognizing and celebrating these events with curriculum based activities, movement and music, through the Arts. The teachers ask families not to send food or drinks for these occasions. They are committed to the healthy eating initiatives as well as monitoring the peanut/nut allergies within our school

Pizza/Milk

December Order forms will be available on-line November 1 as well as posted on our school website. Orders are due in the office by Thursday, November 17.



Pasta – Starting November 24, 2017, School Council would like to introduce a new Pasta Fundraiser being offered for the next 4 Friday's. Forms will be available on-line as well as posted on our school website. Orders are due in the office by Thursday, November 17.

Picture Retake Day



Thursday, November 2 @ 9:00 am

Please refer to the Retake Instructions under the Order Form on page three in your proof photo booklet. It indicates that you must cut out the order form and bring this form to school on November 2nd to give to the photographer. If your child was absent on picture day, please remind them to have their photo taken. We will make an announcement for all students who were absent.

Attendance Matters

Our school bell rings at 8:50 every day and we would like to encourage all families to have their children here for that time. Regular, punctual attendance makes a difference for our students. For most classes reading, and writing is the first block of the day and students benefit from participating in the full lesson. 10 minutes a day translates in 50 minutes a week or 200 minutes a month.

Of course there are occasions where children will be late, such as medical appointments. On those occasions we appreciate a call or email to Safe Arrival.

Bus cancellation information reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium'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.

The Consortium 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 Consortium on Twitter @SCSTC_SchoolBus for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions>

For school event cancellations in case of inclement weather, follow our school's Twitter account at <https://twitter.com/CMESwolfpack> or listen to your local radio station for event cancellation information

Our school has moved to an automated safe arrival system. The first parent/guardian listed in the student file will receive an automated call on days when buses are cancelled if their child isn't at school. The recording will tell you that you do not need to call the school back unless your child should be at school.

**NOVEMBER 17 IS A
P. A. DAY
NO SCHOOL**



High school information nights coming to a school near you!

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information nights happen this fall and winter. This event gives an overview of what's new, what to expect, as well as a chance to check out the school and ask questions. Attend our local high school information night to find out what's offered: Stayner Collegiate Institute, 7578 Hwy 26, Stayner on Wednesday, November 29, 2017 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Check out the full schedule of info nights and more information at www.scdsb.on.ca/highschool.

SCDSB online tool for reporting bullying, drug use or vandalism

The SCDSB has an online Safe Schools Reporting Tool, which is available on our school website homepage, <http://cle.scdsb.on.ca>, as a Quick Access button.

Students and parents can use this tool to submit a report online if they witness a student engaged in inappropriate behaviour such as bullying, drug use or vandalism.

Students are still encouraged to speak to a trusted adult at school or home if they have any concerns. This form isn't a substitute for having a discussion with your teacher or principal. Student safety and well-being is our top priority. For more information, visit <http://scdsb.on.ca/ReportAnIncident>.

SCDSB's new Holy Days and Holidays Calendar now available

The students and staff of the SCDSB represent a rich diversity of faith traditions. The Holy Days and Holidays calendar helps identify some of the important days of commemoration, however it isn't designed to be a complete listing of religious days. Students and staff from a particular faith background may or may not be absent from school on these special days. If they do attend, certain accommodations may be required. To view the July 2017 - December 2018 calendar, visit www.scdsb.on.ca, click on 'Schools,' 'School Year Calendars' and then 'Holy Days and Holidays Calendar.' You can also learn more the significant faith dates that the SCDSB recognizes.

Treaties Recognition Week takes place Nov. 5 to 11

Did you know we are ALL treaty people? Treaties Recognition Week is the first week of November every year - this year it's Nov. 5 to 11. The Simcoe County District School Board is located on territory covered by several pre-confederation treaties - Treaty 5, 16, 18, 19 and 82, as well as the 1923 William's Treaty. Treaties Recognition Week was introduced in 2016 to honour the importance of treaties and to help Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and treaty relationships. Take some time this week to learn about the treaty in your area. To learn more about the treaties and how we can honour them, visit www.ontario.ca/page/treaties and www.anishinabek.ca/education-resources/gdoo-sastamoo-kii-mi/.

Voluntary self-identification of First Nation, Métis or Inuit ancestry

Self-identification is a personal choice to disclose First Nation, Métis or Inuit ancestry. The choice to self-identify is up to you and does not require proof of documentation (i.e. no status card), regardless of where you live. Self-identification is confidential, securely stored and used only to support First Nation, Métis and Inuit student success. Self-identification helps schools support the needs of First Nation, Métis and Inuit students and their achievement. Student achievement data is collected and protected with other confidential data used to help improve student achievement.

To self-identify your child as First Nation, Métis or Inuit, check off the First Nation, Métis or Inuit box on the school registration form and write in details if applicable. The SCDSB is committed to meeting the learning needs of First Nation, Métis and Inuit students through responsive programming and services. Past activities have included: the inclusion of First Nation, Métis and Inuit focused resources in schools; school based pow wows; dedicated First Nation, Métis and Inuit student advisors and cultural awareness training for school staff. To learn more about First Nation, Métis and Inuit Education, visit www.scdsb.on.ca > Programs > First Nation, Métis & Inuit Education.

November 12 to 18 is National Addiction Awareness Week

Nov 12 to 18 is National Addiction Awareness Week. The SCDSB will be marking this week by providing schools with a variety of resources to increase awareness and education among staff and students. We hope that your child will share some of what they are learning this week and we have included some helpful resources to support you in conversations you might be having with your kids:

- www.participation.com/en-ca/programs/unplug-and-play
- <http://parentactionondrugs.org>
- www.drugfreekidscanada.org
- www.camh.ca

Eye See...Eye Learn program offers free glasses for Junior Kindergarten students

The Eye See...Eye Learn program provides comprehensive eye exams by local optometrists to Junior Kindergarten (JK) students. The eye exams are covered under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) when parents show their child's health card. There is no out-of-pocket cost for the eye exam and if the child requires a pair of glasses, they will receive them free of charge courtesy of a participating optometrist. For more information, visit www.Eyeseeyelearn.ca.

Volunteer with Big Brothers Big Sisters and our schools

Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) of Barrie & District is proud to partner with the SCDSB to run three mentoring programs for students. Volunteers are welcome to apply to mentor students for as little as one hour per week. Call BBBS Barrie at 705-728-0515 or visit www.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca/barrie to find out more. The Orillia (705-325-3151), Georgian Triangle (705-445-2330) and North Simcoe (705-526-5051) BBBS locations also welcome volunteers for their in-school mentoring programs.

OHIP+ provides free prescription drug coverage for children

Beginning Jan. 1, 2018, the province will provide free prescription drug coverage for children and youth aged 24 and under, regardless of family income. Under OHIP+, Ontario children and youth will have access to over 4,400 medications and other drug products. Enrollment in OHIP+ will be automatic, based on age. There are no upfront costs, no co-payment and no annual deductible. Those who are eligible for OHIP+ will only need their health card number and a valid prescription from their doctor or nurse practitioner when they visit their pharmacist. For more information, visit: www.ontario.ca/page/learn-about-ohip-plus.

Nutri-eSTEP can help your family encourage healthy eating habits

Are you a parent of a Kindergarten student? Do you sometimes worry about your child's healthy eating? Nutri-eSTEP can help! Check out www.smdhu.org/Nutri-eSTEP. You answer 17 questions to find out what's going well and what to work on to keep your child healthy. Nutri-eSTEP is a questionnaire for parents with children aged 18 months to five years of age. When you help your children learn how to eat healthy, move more and limit time spent sitting, you make a difference to their lifelong health. For more information, call Health Connection weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at 705-721-7520 or toll free 1-877-721-7520.

Information provided by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

It's time to update your child's immunization records



The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit is required to keep up to date immunization records for all students who attend elementary or secondary school in the County of Simcoe and the District of Muskoka. Parents are responsible for reporting immunizations to the health unit each time their child receives a vaccine from their health care provider. It's easier than ever to update your child's immunization status. Go to www.smdhu.org/immsonline to update your child's record, or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.

Information provided by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

Celebrate peace in your community: Peace Week is Nov. 18 to 25

November is a month of reflection and gratitude. The sight of poppies and wreaths serve as a reminder of the brave men and women who have fought for peace and freedom.

The month of November also celebrates a nationwide YMCA initiative called Peace Week, from November 18 to 25. This is a time when we can celebrate the presence of peace in our local and global communities. Peace Week offers activities and opportunities for people of all ages to explore peace from personal, community and global perspectives. Simple actions like sharing, being patient or smiling and saying hello can have a far greater impact than we think.

As an advocate for peace, the YMCA invites everyone to be part of the conversation. Share something you do to foster peace in your home, school, workplace or community. Join in spreading kindness throughout our community with "Be Kind Bells." These bells will be hidden in locations throughout our community. If you find one, perform one kind act, then hide the bell for someone else to find. Share on social media using #YMCAPeaceWeek with the location where you found the bell, your kind act and encourage someone else to do the same!

Visit <http://ymcaofsimcoemuskoka.ca/ymca-international/peace-week/> for more information.

Information provided by the YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka (www.ymcaofsimcoemuskoka.ca)

Dressing for the Weather

Please remind your child that they need to remember to dress according to the weather conditions in order to enjoy being outside during nutritional breaks. With the temperatures changing from week to week students need to wear a warm coat, snow pants, hat and mitts. Extra mitts and socks in their backpack is a great idea for those unexpected wet days.



Cross Country Team

Mr. Dillon, Mrs. Larmer, and Mr. Bristow want to thank their amazing runners. They showed great determination and pride when running in the Creemore Fun Run and in the Wasaga Beach Area run. We even had 5 amazing runners that moved on to County's at Mount St. Louis. Congratulations on a great season!

Intermediate Flag Football Team

The Clearview Meadows Flag Football team competed at the Area Tournament at Klondike Park in Wasaga Beach recently. The team had a fantastic day with all members contributing defensively and offensively. Our Grade 8 captains led the team by example, displaying a strong work ethic and sportsmanship. Our Gr 7's did a wonderful job at adapting to a complex set of rules and were able to improve with each game they were able to play. Mr. Goode would like to thank all parent driver volunteers and all of the student athletes who participated. Congratulations.

Terry Fox Update

Congratulations to the Wolf Pack who raised \$577.55 for the Terry Fox foundation!



School Council for 2017-18

At our first meeting in October, our executive was elected:

Jen Macaulay	Chair
Tracey McShane	Co-chair
Amanda Westendorp	Secretary
Shannon McNally	Parent Member
Shannon Beatty	Parent Member
Ellie Wice	Parent Member
Kamana Green	Parent Member
Sebrina Westbrooke	Parent Member
Jen Eagles	Parent Member
Ashley Holotuk	Parent Member
Megan Boasie	Parent Member
Marsha Walker	Parent Member
Cheryl Lighthead	Parent Member
Christy Lighthead	Teacher Rep
Sue Moxam	Teacher Rep
Jacqueline Linton	Principal

The next meeting is scheduled for November 6 at 6 p.m. in the library.

Poinsettia Fundraiser

We will once again be running the poinsettia fundraiser from Bradford Greenhouses. Orders forms are being sent home November 1st. Orders are due November 20. The orders will be arriving at the school on December 5 so that you can enjoy them over the holiday season.



Family Pizza orders for Student - Teacher Interview Night

The LC Snack Shack will be accepting pre-orders for pizza for families on Thursday, November 16. Pizza orders will be sent home and pre-payment is required. On the night of Interviews, pre-ordered pizza can be picked up between 5 and 6 P.M. Bottled water, juice boxes, granola bars and other snacks will also be for sale.

Mrs. McKean-Dobbs is also looking for donations of gently used, clean jeans and t-shirts, for up-cycled projects.