

# **The Holland Landing Highlights**

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## March 12, 2021

#### From the Office



To continue to support our schools, students, staff and families, York Region District School Board is pleased to be able to facilitate in partnership with York Region Public Health and the Ministry of Education, voluntary targeted COVID-19 testing. In addition to daily screening, masking and the other <a href="health and safety measures">health and safety measures</a>, targeted testing in schools is an important layer of protection that helps to limit the spread of COVID-19.

This is in addition to the testing being offered weekly by Ontario Health as outlined in the communication from York Region Public Health.

Targeted testing will help ensure that our schools remain a safe environment for all to learn and work in.

Targeted COVID-19 testing is voluntary for students and staff without symptoms (asymptomatic) and will take place:

Dates: Friday, March 12, 2021 - 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. and Saturday March 13, 2021 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Location:

**Dr. J.M. Denison SS** 135 Bristol Road Newmarket, ON L3Y 8J7

Consent will be required from parents or guardians of students under 18 years old. Please take note of the following:

- We encourage you to register in advance for the COVID-19 testing using the vendor's online portal.
- Once this information is entered, you will be able to book a time for testing.
- Once you have completed the registration process you will receive an email with a QR code.
- When you arrive at the testing location at the school, please make sure to be wearing a mask and to bring your QR code and your child's health card.
- Walk-in appointments will be accommodated to the best of our ability (please remember to bring your health cards and a parent/guardian must accompany children under 18).

If you have any questions about the registration process, please contact booking@gvtlabs.ca.

The school and the board will communicate with parents, guardians and staff should the need for future targeted testing dates arise.

This site is offering asymptomatic testing only. After being tested, you do no need to self-isolate while waiting for results unless you have:

- Been identified as a close contact of a confirmed case of COVID-19; OR
- Travelled outside of Canada in the last 14 days; OR
- Have one or more symptoms of COVID-19; OR
- Been tested due to a potential exposure to someone with COVID-19 or part of a cohort of students that have been dismissed at a school

We continue to ask all students and staff to self-monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19. This includes completing the <u>daily self-assessment for symptoms</u> before attending school.

#### **Spring Weather - Field closures**

We're so pleased to have warmer, sunny days that remind us spring is nearly here! The spring thaw does change how we can safely use our outdoor spaces, and there will be periods of time where our field will be closed. For the next several weeks we will likely continue to have 'tarmac-only' recesses. Pooling water, excessive mud, and soft spots on the field create unsafe conditions, and continued use during this time would cause damage to the field spaces.

We recommend that students come prepared for outdoor play, and it is also recommended that an extra pair of socks, and/or pants may be helpful to have in their backpack. We are not accepting item drop-offs from families during the school day.



#### Holland Landing Public School: Jump Rope for Heart

Jump Rope for Heart gets our kids physically active and raises vital funds for the Heart and Stroke Foundation to reduce the devastating effects of heart disease and stroke.

The following is some important information for you to know: Our school's Jump Rope for Heart Event Day is on Wednesday March 31, 2021. Our EVS students are invited to join in as well! HLPS EVS students are welcome to join the fundraising campaign,

earn prizes, and jump rope for 30 minutes on Wednesday March 31, 2021.

All fundraising will be done online this year through the Jump Rope for Heart website jumpropeforheart.ca. The attached letter from the Heart and Stroke Foundation outlines how to join our school page and what prizes are available at the different fundraising levels. Once you have registered online it is easy to send out emails to family and friends asking them to support your child's fundraising efforts this year. Holland Landing P.S. always does a great job of supporting this very worthwhile cause.

Again, thank you so much for your support! Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart benefits us all – your child gets active and learns to be heart healthy, our school can earn valuable resources and sports equipment, and we all help to support vital heart disease and stroke research and health education – for the future of our children! If you have any comments or questions, please call the school for more information or visit www.jumpropeforheart.ca.

#### **School Council**

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Please consider joining our FlipGive fundraising team! We've raised \$602.93 so far!

- How to participate;
- > Download the FlipGive App or visit <a href="www.flipgive.com/join">www.flipgive.com/join</a> to sign up
- ➤ When asked to "join existing team", enter our unique team code:

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> Have fun shopping!

#### Reach Out!

If you have a question for our School Council, or any items you would like to be brought to our attention, please email our Chair - Zalema Mavor <a href="mailto:holland.landing.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca">holland.landing.ps@sc.yrdsb.ca</a>

#### **Student Council**



Attention families!!! Student Council is bringing you **SPIRITWEAR!!!** Our HLPS spiritwear is now on sale!!! Show your love for Holland Landing P.S. by sporting one of our great quality items!! There is something for everyone! Store closes March 26th! All items will be delivered to HLPS in April. See flyer attached! Get your favourite items now.

Store link:

Transfers

https://hollandlandingps2021.itemorder.com/

### **Looking Ahead**

March... 31 - Jump Rope for Heart

**April...** 1 - March Hurricane of the Month

2 - Good Friday (no school)

5 - Easter Monday (no school)

12-16 - April Break (no school)

