

Kettleby Public School

e-Bulletin

October 9, 2020



From the Office

What a fun Spirit Day and Virtual Assembly we had this morning! It was an opportunity for each class to show off their house colours and crazy hair. Our Grade 7 and 8 Colour House Captains were introduced and our Lead Caretaker, Mr. Heighton (Mr. Kyle) shaved his COVID grown beard in response to our Terry Fox fundraising efforts. We also had a big reveal of our updated and new KPS logos! A massive thank you to Connie Clearwater, mother of Sophia and Leilah, for her work on creating two amazing logos for our school. We are so excited to put our logos into use!



Thanksgiving is this weekend and having hearts full of gratitude and appreciation is something to be cherished. We are thankful you are partnering with us to support your child's learning. Talking with your child about school is a time to connect with them about learning.

Here are a few questions that will start the conversation!

1. Tell me something that made you laugh today.
2. Where is the coolest place at the school?
3. How did you help somebody today?
4. When were you the happiest today?
5. What do you think you should do/learn more of at school?
6. What was your favorite part of lunch?
7. If you got to be the teacher tomorrow, what would you do?

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable long weekend and to those who are celebrating, a very Happy Thanksgiving!

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School Hours

8:40 a.m.	Open Entry
8:55	Morning Bell
8:55-9:55	Period 1
9:55-10:35	Period 2
10:35-11:05	Recess
11:05-12:05	Period 3
12:05-12:45	Period 4
12:45-1:45	Lunch
1:45-2:45	Period 5
2:45-3:25	Period 6
3:25 p.m.	Dismissal

Looking Ahead

October 12	Thanksgiving – School Closed
October 15	Spirit Day: Wear Purple to stand up against bullying
October 22	Virtual Meet the Staff Night
November 2	Virtual School Council Meeting 7pm

Protect Yourself During COVID-19

You can protect yourself and others from COVID-19 by observing the following measures:

- Stay at home if you are not feeling well—even if your symptoms are only mild
- Practice physical distancing keeping 2-metres from others outside of your household members
- Wash your hands thoroughly and often
- Practice good respiratory etiquette
- Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands
- Wear a face mask or covering when inside public spaces and when physical distancing cannot be maintained
- Clean high-touch surfaces often
- Download the COVID-Alert app
- Avoid travel

It is also important to keep your body healthy and strong by getting lots of sleep, eating nutritious food, drinking plenty of water, exercising and spending time on self-care.

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/school-reopening/Documents/COVID-19-ScreeningTool.pdf>

Parking Lot Safety

A reminder to families dropping off or picking up: If you are using the loop in the parking lot, please ensure students are exiting the vehicle toward the side of the school and not into the parking lot.

Drivers – please take your time and move with caution throughout the parking lot.

School Council

Please join us in recognizing the following individuals who make up our 2020-21 School Council:

Chair – Karen Penning

Secretary – David Narine

Treasurer – Nikki Safa

Community Representative – Larry McGrath

Parent Representative – Susanne Munroe

Parent Representative – Natasha London-Stewart

Parent Representative – Carrie Teeling

Teacher Representative – Brynn Dockerty

Parents/Guardians of students at Kettleby PS are always welcome to join School Council meetings. Our next virtual meeting is Monday, November 2, 2020 at 7:00 pm.

Reminder! School Start-Up Forms

Thank you to the many families who have completed the online School Start-Up forms. The online forms were sent by YRDSB directly to families for each child in mid-September. If you have not yet completed and submitted the forms, please do so immediately. Check back in your email for the link. If you did not receive the link for your child or children, please contact the Office and we can provide you with a general link.

There are **mandatory** forms and optional forms.

Virtual Curriculum Night/Meet the Staff is Thursday, October 22

On Thursday, October 22, you are invited to join us for Meet the Staff Night. Classroom teachers will host two identical sessions. **The first session will run from 7:00-7:20 pm and a repeat session will be held from 7:25-7:45 pm.**

Due to Health and Safety priorities, this year's event is being held virtually (online). Each family will be invited (via email) by their child's teacher(s) to a **Google Meet** where they will have an opportunity to meet the teacher, hear about the upcoming year, take a peek into the school/ classroom, and have an introduction to the new Ministry Math Curriculum.

The schedule for the evening is as follows:

You will receive an email from your child's teacher with information about how to join the virtual event. A stable internet connection is needed to join.

Once you join the meeting, please follow the meeting guidelines below:

- Please keep your audio on mute so all participants can hear
- Please turn your camera off

Please be aware that during the Meet the Staff Night you must refrain from:

- recording any aspect of a Google Meet (including pictures, voices or video) using internal or external recording devices;
- taking photos or screenshots of anything other than when given explicit permission or direction by the teacher to do so (e.g. a visual used for instructional purposes that won't be reposted later).
- distributing/posting any recorded, copied or distributed materials in any way, including to all social media platforms; and
- editing or manipulating materials in any way.

Here are step-by-step instructions for logging into the [Google Meet](#) from a computer or Chromebook. If you are using a mobile device, use the [Google Meet guide for mobile devices](#). You will be using your child's YRDSB GAPPS login.

We hope that you will be able to join us!