

Redstone School Council – October 4, 2021

<u>Attending</u>

Sherry Morgan (Principal) Renee Laflamme-McNally (Vice-Principal) Doug Inglis (Teacher Rep) Giovina Zembowski (2020 Co-Chair) Navid Ahmad (2020 Co-Chair) Cassandra MacDonald (2020 Co-Secretary) Corinne Francis Tabinda Sadaf Jatoi Bahar Jalili Lucy Park

Call to Order – Sherry Morgan called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Land Acknowledgement – Read by Sherry Morgan

Introductions and Norms Review

Teacher Report – Doug Inglis

Here are recent and upcoming academic, social, and extra-curricular school events:

1. Terry Fox Fundraiser

- This year's event is on-line. Our goal of \$500 was easily surpassed this year, raising just under \$900 as of this past weekend!
- Donations from Redstone families are greatly appreciated. Like classes all across Canada, Redstone students walked the school perimeter on Wed. Sept. 29 in the spirit of Terry Fox's *Marathon of Hope* to wrap up the event.

1. Safety Week – Sept 28 – Oct. 8/20

• Classes are reviewing and practising *fire, hold and secure,* and *lock down* procedures this and next week.

1. Orange Shirt Day – Thur. Oct 30/21

• Orange Shirt Day is a national movement to recognize the experiences of Indigenous survivors of residential schools and show our commitment to ensure that every child matters. Students and staff wore orange in support of the movement and Ms. Phyllis Webstad, a spokesperson and residential school survivor whose new orange shirt was taken away from her at residential school. A Google Live Stream event was shared in classrooms, and teachers and students will continue to have conversations throughout the year.

1. Character Assemblies

 Redstone has always celebrated outstanding character in our students and staff. As whole-school gatherings in the gym for assemblies are currently suspended, homeroom teachers will recognize the student recipients in their classrooms. Virtual assemblies (video presentations) will be used to celebrate the students in each classroom who demonstrate great character.

1. Islamic Heritage Month

• October is Islamic Heritage Month. Resources have been shared with staff to educate themselves and their students on the history, culture, practices, and traditions of Islam, and information will also be shared on morning announcements daily.

1. VORC - Outdoor Education Field Trips

• Each year, select grades are chosen to participate in outdoor education programs that support our science and social studies curricula. This year, staff from the Vivian Outdoor Resource Centre will meet with students in grades 2 and 4 on Oct. 14, 18, and 19 for outdoor ed programming in our local area.

1. Virtual Book Fair

• November 15 - November 26. Parents may use <u>this link</u> to access the book fair. They will not be able to purchase anything on the site until November 15, but there are live links available to watch trailers and see featured books

Administrator's Report – Sherry Morgan

Change in Screening Tool

- No need to submit acknowledgement
- Parents still need to answer questions

Re-organization of Classes

• Re-org this year only impacted kindergarten classes

Kiss n Ride/Soft Entry

• Created single lane in the parking lot for drop-offs

Redstone News

• Weekly Redstone updates; can add School Council corner

<u>Meet the Staff Evening – Oct 7</u>

• Curriculum night, more info to come

Council Elections: Executive Roles

- Navid Ahmad Co-Chair
- Lucy Park Co-Chair
- Cassandra MacDonald Secretary
- Bahar Jalili Treasurer

Council Meetings Dates

- Monday, October 4th at 7:00pm
- Monday, November 15th
- Monday, January 31st
- Monday, March 28th
- Monday, April 25th
- Monday, June 6th

Other Business – All

- Food drive, Giovina to coordinate
- Discussed policy and procedure review process
 - o <u>http://www.yrdsb.ca/boarddocs/Documents/PP-parentengagement-238.</u> pdf
 - o <u>http://www.yrdsb.ca/boarddocs/Documents/PP-schoolcouncils-262.pdf</u>

Closing and Next Meeting

Next meeting will be Monday, November 15 – 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm.