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# The Stonebridge Story

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## A Message from the Administration

Dear families 敬愛的石橋學校的家長們

We hope that all of our families are doing well, and that you and your family are keeping safe during this time. These are unprecedented times, and our staff have been working to ensure that all of our students are engaged in the distance learning that is taking place and connecting with families to support where needed. As was announced on April 26th, we will continue with our distance learning until May 29th until we receive further direction from the Ministry of Education about whether schools will open at that point. Our school board is communicating directly with families by e-mail and through text notifications, and the York Region DSB website and Twitter feed contain the most recent updates for families about school closures, programming and supports.

我們希望向所有的家庭問好，並願您們和您的家人在這段時間能繼續保持平安。這是一個前所未有的時間，我們的教職人員一直努力確保我們所有的學生能參與已在進行的網上學習，並且當有需要時聯繫家長們以作支持。

正如我們四月二十六日的宣佈，我們會繼續我們的遙距學習直到五月二十九日，及直到教育部另行通知我們是否在那一刻重開。我們教育局在與家長直接以電郵聯繫，和短信通知，和約克區教育局網站，以及以推特社媒直接上載更新信息有關學校關閉，活動計劃和支援。

As has been shared by our school board, by your teachers and from us, there are a number of supports that are available if you need assistance. All of the news updates that are shared with parents are on the [Novel Coronavirus Update](#) page. The [Learning and Caring plan](#) that is guiding the work of our staff in creating opportunities for our students to engage in distance learning are also linked from this page. There are also a number of [community supports](#) that are listed that provide community service. Also, there is a new resource titled [Tips for Families to Support Online Learning](#) that may be useful as well.

正如我們教育局，您的老師和我們二人，已經跟您們分享，現在有多項支援提供給有需要的家庭。所有最新有關新冠病毒信息可在教育局網頁上“Novel Coronavirus update”頁。“Learning and caring plan”是指引着我们的教職人員創造機會給我們學參與那網站上連系到的遙距學習。還有在這網站可帶領您到多項社區支援服務“community support”，還有一項“Tips for family to support online learning”給家長的支持網上學習的貼士“可能對您們現在有用。

We have shared a few videos with our community over the last week to reconnect. If you have not already viewed these, please take a look: 在上周我們已經分享了一些錄影帶給我們社區以重新互相聯繫，如果您們仍未收看這些影片，請找時間看看：

[Phase 1 video](#) “第一階段影片”，

[If the walls could speak](#) “如果那些牆能說話”

[April 14th video](#) “四月十四日的影片”

We have had a number of requests for students to access their belongings. At this point students are unable to access their belongings at school as per the direction of Public Health and the Ministry of Education.

我們已經有一個數量的要求，希望學生可領取他們的物件。在這時候，根據公共衛生部門和教育部的指引，學生不能接觸他們在學校的物件。

Communication has been shared with all families that all trips and events that have been planned until the end of the year have been cancelled. This includes our hot lunch program and popcorn orders, the Discover Kindergarten orientation on May 7th, Community Sports Night on May 21st, Fun Fair on June 11th and Grade 8 Graduation on June 23rd. Please keep in mind that refunds are being processed for all families that have ordered hot lunches or were part of our popcorn program.

另外，和所有家庭已經聯系過，所有已經計劃的直到今年年底的學校旅行和活動已經取消。這包括我們的热午餐計劃和爆谷小食，五月七日的“探究幼兒園迎新活動”，五月二十一日的社區運動之夜，六月十一日的遊樂日，和六月二十三日的畢業典禮。有關所有退款已經正在安排進行給所有已經付款的家庭。

As we start planning for next year, if you have any specific requests for the placement of your child for next year, please send your request to Mr. Bansal via email ([sumir.bansal@yrdsb.ca](mailto:sumir.bansal@yrdsb.ca)) by May 8th. If you wish to set up a time to speak over the phone that can be arranged as well. Please keep in mind that families should not be requesting specific teachers or particular grade arrangements (e.g. single/combined grades) as teaching positions and school organization changes every year. Requests of this nature will not be considered. Please describe your child's learning profile and the type of teaching style that will support your child (e.g. My child requires a lot of structure, My child learns best through the Arts, my child is strong in Literacy but needs more support in Math etc.).

當我們正在計劃下一學年，如果您已有任何特別的有關您孩子的編班的要求，請於五月八日前電郵Bandai 副校長

([Sumir.bansal@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Sumir.bansal@yrdsb.ca))。如果您希望安排一個電話對話，那亦可安排的。請注意家長們不能要求指定的老師或特定的級別安排（例如單級班/混級班）因為老師職位和學校架構每年都會改變。如果是這類的要求是不會考慮的。請形容您的孩子的學習模式和那種教學形式可支持您的孩子（例如您的孩子需要很多架構指導，您的孩子會以美術學習更好，或者您的孩子語文能力很強但是數學需要更多支持等）

If you are moving, please let our EOAA Sharon Fernandez ([sharon.fernandez@yrdsb.ca](mailto:sharon.fernandez@yrdsb.ca)) know as soon as possible to help us plan for both this year and next year.

如果您們正計劃搬遷，請馬上讓我們的小學行政助理Fernandez 女士知道，以計劃今年和下一學年。她的電郵地址是 [Sharon.Fernandez@yrdsb.ca](mailto:Sharon.Fernandez@yrdsb.ca)。

We miss all of you and hope that you take care and are keeping safe. 我們惦念着您們各位和希望您們好好保重和平安。

Your partners in education, 您們的教育伙伴，

Sumir 副校長和 Kevin 校長

### School Day Schedule

8:45 am Entry

8:55-10:35  
Learning Block

10:35 - 11:05  
Recess

11:05- 12:45  
Learning Block

12:45-1:45  
Lunch

1:45-3:25  
Learning Block

3:25  
Dismissal

## Asian/South Asian Heritage Month



The South Asian Heritage Act of 2001 established the foundation upon which South Asians, whose origins are or can be traced to the Indian subcontinent, can see themselves reflected in the fabric of Ontario and our schools.

In May 2002, the Government of Canada signed an official declaration to designate May as Asian Heritage Month. This acknowledges the long and rich history of Asian Canadians from East Asia, Southern Asia, Western and Southeast Asia and their contributions to Canada. It also provides an opportunity for Canadians across the country to reflect and celebrate the contributions of Canadians of Asian heritage towards the growth and prosperity of Canada.

As we enter the month of May staff and students are encouraged to join Ontarians and Canadians who will be coming together to celebrate the rich and vibrant heritage of people of Asian and South Asian descent. We invite your contributions to help recognize, honour, and celebrate the Asian/ South Asian experiences. Please share student created artefacts that reflect the history of Asian Canadians, heritage and importance of Asian/South Asian identity in Canada.

## Tips for Families to Support Online Learning

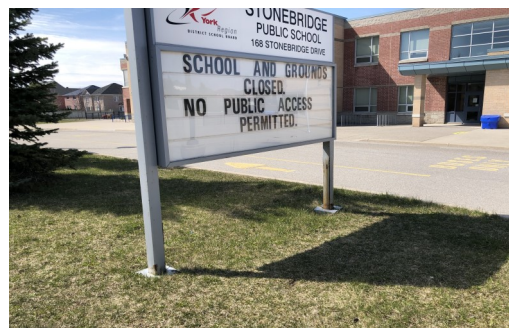
Teachers strive to work in partnership with home to support student learning and well-being in culturally responsive ways. Parents and families know their children best; as we transition to this new online learning context, please visit the site below for tips to support your child(ren) from home.

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/Repository/NewsEvents/Documents/covid19/Family-Tip-Sheet-Online-Learning.pdf>

## School Closed until at least May 29 (School grounds remain closed)

As part of the ongoing effort to reduce the spread of the COVID-19, the current closure of all Ontario schools will be extended until at least May 29. All schools in York Region District School Board will continue to be closed to students during this time. **During the time the school is closed, school grounds (playground and school yard) remain closed and inaccessible to the public.**

There's more information about school closure on the website [www.yrdsb.ca/covid19](http://www.yrdsb.ca/covid19) and you can also follow the Board's twitter feed [@yrdsb](https://twitter.com/yrdsb) for up-to-date information.



## The Blue Ribbon Campaign

Our school would like to honour our first responders and essential workers through the Blue Ribbon Campaign, offering a visual sign of our support and a wish of hope during these challenging times.

Below is an article which explains the campaign:

<https://www.yorkregion.com/news-story/9919771--we-care-aurora-couple-ties-blue-ribbons-to-trees-for-front-line-workers/>

This is a way for our students and community to show that we care for those community members that are working in hospitals, garbage collectors, those that work in restaurants ...those working in the community during these trying times.

Our staff will be asking students to reflect upon and write a "message of hope" that the school can share with the community by tying blue ribbons on the trees lining Stonebridge Drive at the front of the school. This campaign will be facilitated by school staff to avoid any of our students needing to touch anything. We would ask that community members follow York Region Public Health guidance when reading the messages as they get posted not touching the ribbons, keeping social distance and only going out when necessary to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

If you would like to include a "message of hope" of 10-15 words, please complete this Google Form (<https://bit.ly/spsblueribbon>). We will start to post your messages starting May 4th.

Watch this video for more details: <https://youtu.be/KdVsSkdTvA>

Be strong Stonebridge!

Sumir and Kevin

# Online Kindergarten Registration for 2020-2021

## Kindergarten registration for the 2020-2021 school year is now open.

This registration is for Kindergarten classes beginning September 2020, ending June 2021.

Please visit the link below for more information:

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/Repository/NewsEvents/Pages/BoardNews/Online-Kindergarten-Registration.aspx>

**Note:** If you already have an Edsby account, please login with your existing username and password in order to link your Kindergarten child with your existing account. (Step 1)

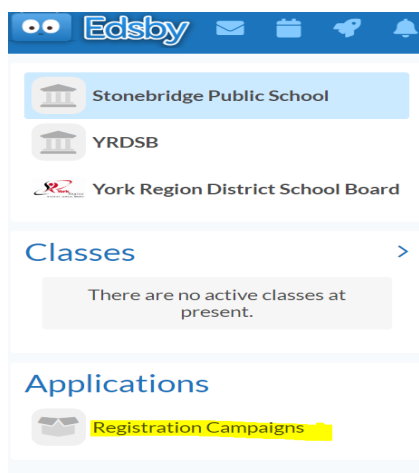
Once you are logged in, to register a new student for Kindergarten, go to “Registration Campaigns” under “Applications” on the left side of the welcome page. (Step 2)

If you need assistance, please email to: [stonebridge.ps@yrdsb.ca](mailto:stonebridge.ps@yrdsb.ca)

Step 1:



Step 2:



## Change of Address

If you're moving or changing your phone number, please email your new information to our head secretary (Sharon Fernandez) ASAP @ [sharon.fernandez@yrdsb.ca](mailto:sharon.fernandez@yrdsb.ca).