

NOVEMBER
2020



PRINCIPAL

Kevin Merkley

VICE-PRINCIPAL

Sumir Bansal

SUPERINTENDENT

Camille Logan

TRUSTEE

Ron Lynn

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

The Stonebridge Story

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A Message from the Administration

Dear Stonebridge Families and Community

In November, you will be receiving Progress Report Cards (going home November 19/20) from your child's teacher which informs you of how they are doing in connection to Ontario Curriculum expectations and Learning Skills. You will also have the opportunity to schedule a time to either have an interview or a Student-Led Conference virtually with your child's teacher. Through EDSBY, you will be able to book a time to meet with your child's teacher as of November 2nd at 9:00am, and this will close November 9th by 12:00pm. If you have not already accepted the invitation for EDSBY, please accept so that you can book a time and stay connected with the school and your child's teacher through EDSBY. Further instructions on how to login/create an [EDSBY parent/guardian can be found here](#). If you require translation the school will make arrangements and your teacher will assign you a time.

We hope that you will continue to share with us celebrations that our students should be learning about. If you would like to work with the school to share your traditions, stories or the origins of Diwali or other celebrations, we would love to hear from you.

We recently had our first School Council meeting for the 2020-21 school year and elected our new Stonebridge School Council. We would like to thank the following parents for putting their names forward to support our work as a school:

Chairs主席

Treasurer财政

Secretary秘書

Voting Members:投票人仕

Garth Ore
Joanne Wang

Jun Yan

Carmen Chan

Tasneem Iqbal
Danli Chang
Ling Luo
Bingley Gao
Josephine Fu

A reminder that our next school council meeting is on Monday December 7th from 7:00 to 8:30pm. We also want to share with you that we will be having Student Government again this year by having 2-3 Class Senators from our classes Grades 4-8. Class Senators will be elected by their classmates by November 2nd and we will start meeting virtually with our Senators after school early in November. We look forward to supporting our future leaders through Student Government!

For regular updates on the learning taking place at Stonebridge, follow us @StonebridgePS.

If you need to reach us you can contact us at kevin.merkley@yrdsb.ca or sumir.bansal@yrdsb.ca, your partners in education.

Sumir and Kevin

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Message from the Administration continued

Sumir 副校长 and Kevin 校长

在十一月，您会收到由您孩子的班主任發出的成绩进展报告（在十一月十九/二十日派回家），报告您的孩子按安省教程指标学习能力的成绩。您亦有机会安排一个跟老师视像会面或一个以学生领导的家长老师会议的时间，您可在十一月二日早上九时正开始在Edsby 亚士比平台上预约跟老师见面的时间，这预约会在十一月九日中午十二时截止。如果您仍未收到或接纳Edsby 的邀请信息，请接纳并可在Edsby 亚士比平台预约跟老师见面时间。如果有问题，联系学校。如果需要在会议翻译，联系学校会安排。要进一步如何登入/设置，请搜索校局网站查看 [EDSBY parent/guardian can be found here](#)。

我们希望您们会继续分享给我们知道，有关的庆祝，好让孩子们可以学习。如果您有兴趣分享您的传统，故事和特维拉传统或其他庆祝，我们很高兴知道。我们最近进行了第一次学校家长委员会。我们感谢以下家长支持学校社区：

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下次家长委员会会议日期定于十二月七日，周一，下午七时至八时三十分

我们亦希望分享今年我们有学生会活动，由四至八年级同学选出二至三位学生会内阁成员。由他们的同学在十一月二日选出，并会在十一月初在下课后在视频上开会。期待支持我们能支持我们学生会的未来年青领导。

所有经常的更新的本校消息请登入推特@StonebridgePS.查看

如果您需要联系我们您可电邮校长和副校长

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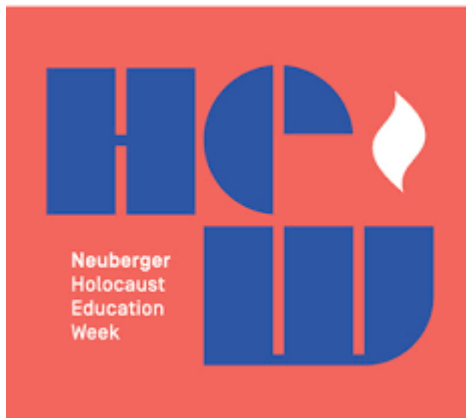
Treaty Recognition Week

Did you know that the first week of November is officially Ontario's Treaty Recognition Week? During the week of November 2 - 6, 2020, we recognize the importance of treaties and bring awareness to the treaty relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in the province. There are 46 treaties in Ontario and we all have a responsibility to honour the treaties. When looking at treaty negotiations between the Canadian government and the Indigenous peoples involved, it is important to look at the "spirit and intent" of the treaties. Although both groups sat together at the same table during negotiations, they brought different perspectives with them, the major one being the understandings around land ownership and usage. These differences affected the outcomes of the treaties signed. To learn more, please listen to [Hayden King](#) discuss Treaties.



Holocaust Education Week

The week of November 2-9 marks Holocaust Education Week (HEW). With millions of pages of historical documents, photographs and film recorded by perpetrators, victims and rescuers, along with thousands of hours of recorded testimony from survivors as well as perpetrators, it is incumbent on each of us to educate ourselves and ensure our



students understand this history. During this week we also want to acknowledge those who were also targeted by this regime as a result of their social identities. People of colour, the Roma (commonly referred to as Gypsies), people with physical disabilities, and those who identified as LGBTQ were also subjected to intolerance and persecution in Europe. We encourage educators and families to discuss, the Holocaust of World War II, the

many different people who stood for social justice for all, and also the many genocides, world-wide in the past and present, as means of working towards the end of intolerance, discrimination and hatred.

Reminders for our Grade 8 families

The following information has been sent directly to our Grade 8 families who are attending Face to Face via EDSBY. We want to make sure that all of you have the following dates marked in your calendars:

[Unionville HS Information Night](#)

Tuesday November 3rd

IB at Milliken Mills HS

Monday October 26th at 9:00 am and Wednesday November 11th at 11:59 pm

Applications for [IB program information](#)

[Pierre Elliott Trudeau High School](#)

Thursday, November 26, 2020 for PET Grade 8 Virtual Open House for (time to be confirmed)

[Bill Crothers SS](#)

Grade 8 Information Broadcast - Wednesday November 18th

New Colt Application Opens - Thursday November 19th

Application Deadline - Thursday December 3rd

All information for all secondary schools can also be found here

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/Repository/NewsEvents/Pages/BoardNews/Grade-8-Information-Nights.aspx> (website to be updated as information is released).

Family Virtual Conferences

Family Virtual Conferences will be held on Thursday November 12th in the evening and Friday November 13th in the morning. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) and learn more about your child's progress.

Important Timelines:

November 2

Parents' Night schedule opens at 9:00am for booking an appointment with your child's teacher. Log into your Edsby account, an invitation to book appointments will be sent to your Edsby account and a notification to your email. Instructions for signing up for interview slots are found [here](#).

November 9th

Interview Scheduler closes at 12:00pm

November 10th

Families to receive virtual links and information for accessing the virtual conferences from their classroom teacher

November 12 - 13th

Virtual Interviews

More Gentle Reminders

COVID Symptoms at Home

We want to remind our families that they need to screen students on a daily for any symptoms of COVID-19.

Also note, if your child demonstrates ANY symptoms of COVID-19 at school (even if mild e.g. sore throat, nausea, fever, shortness of breath etc.) you will be asked to take your child home. Depending on the symptoms you may need to see your health care practitioner or get a COVID-19 test.

Please refer to the [COVID`19 Screening Tool](#) for Children in School and Child Care for steps to follow.

These processes are in place to protect all of our Stonebridge PS students, families and our staff and are based upon guidance from York Region Public Health.

Safe Arrival: Reporting Absence and Late Arrival

If your child is going to be absent or late, please report via Edsby before the bell time of 8:45am.

If you do not have an Edsby account you would have to call the office directly to report absence/late arrival or if you need help setting up an Edsby account, please contact the office at 905-887-2427.

Report a student ABSENCE/LATE: Log-in to: yrdsb.edsby.com OR call 905.887.2427

Still No Drop-Offs!

1. Please send a snack and lunch to school with your child. Students are not able to go home for lunch at this time.
2. Please remember to provide your child with a fork or spoon as we are not able to provide this in the office at this time if they forget. You may want to place additional cutlery in their lunch bag to ensure that they have an eating utensil to use for their lunch. We are not able to accept anything into the school once the students are inside, please do your best to ensure lunch, snacks, homework etc. is packed for the day.
3. Our parking lot is for staff only. Please do not park in the morning to drop off your child. We have staff in the drop off ("kiss and ride") that can assist your child in the morning. Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Thank you for all your support and your kind words to ourselves and our staff. We greatly value your partnership in keeping our school safe during this time.