THE STONEHAVEN STAR

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A Message From Mr. Oabel and Ms. Wansbrough

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In the busyness of the school year, we can't believe that May has arrived! The first week of May marks education week and there is plenty that is going on the first Week of May at Stonehaven ES:

- Music Monday May 1st
- We have various trips going to Sibbald's Point (Grade 4s on May 1 and Grade 7s on May 2 and 3rd)
- Our final school council meeting for the year is on May 1st.
- Proud to have our kindergarten concerts for May 2 and 3 at 6:30pm respectively.
- Grade 3s to Pioneer Village on May 3.
- Last week of our after school programs for grades 3, 6 and 7, 8s.
- We are also proud to have Stonehaven's first **Wellness Day on May 4**th in conjunction with the school, school council and community partners.

In addition to this very exciting week we also will have EQAO testing, band trips, badminton, pyjama day, track and field, guest speakers, Welcome to Kindergarten (May 24), evolve skateboarding, and other school trips in different grades to various places to enhance curriculum.

This month the office is also preparing for the 2017-2018 academic year. This means we are assembling our staffing and student placements for September and though we can not guarantee placement of your child for next year, we can take requests in the form of a written letter to the office.

We thank you for your continued support in making Stonehaven ES a great place for learning!

Sincerely,

P. Oabel Principal S. Wansbrough Vice Principal



Please visit our website frequently for updates: www.stonehaven.es.yrdsb.ca

<u>Message from School Council...</u>

Speaker ~ Jennifer Kolari, Child & Family Therapist (engaging & dynamic!)

- Monday, May 8th from 7:00 to 8:30 PM
- Glen Cedar Public School
- Practical Strategies for Dealing with Anxiety AND Saying "NO" When the World says "YES"

Please RSVP at <u>www.eventbrite.com</u> for free tickets and free babysitting (school-aged)

- Food bank collections will be donated to the Newmarket Food Pantry
- Hope to see you there!



Cake Walk and Spring Artisan Market

- <u>Thank you</u> to all of our fantastic parent volunteers and student volunteers who helped to make these events a huge success once again this year!
- With support from our school community, students had fun and some walked away with amazing cakes, cupcakes and chocolate
- Each event raised about \$1,200. These funds will help to purchase curriculum resources for all grade levels!

Lunches

- Subway (Mondays)
- Astoria Greek Food (Wednesdays) ~ NEW!
- Il Bistro Pizza & Pasta (Fridays)

Please pre-order through <u>www.HealthyHunger.ca</u>

Popcorn

- Orders can be placed through www.SchoolCashOnline.com
- Hard copies of order forms are available in the school office



If you have any ideas for fundraising and other initiatives, please contact Shameela at <u>chair@stonehavencouncil.com</u> and checkout our website at <u>www.stonehavencouncil.com</u>.









Learning Commons News

A very special thank you to Parent Council for helping to cover the cost of the Forest of Reading® Books purchased. Our students thank you.

Forest of Reading[®] voting: Stonehaven's Forest of Reading[®] voting took place on Tuesday, April 11 and the winners are as follows:

- Blue Spruce If I Had a Gryphon by Vikki Vansickle
- Silver Birch Express <u>Elephant Journey</u> by Rob Laidlaw
- Silver Birch Fiction OCDaniel by Wesley King
- Silver Birch Non-Fiction <u>Safety Stars</u> by Sue Irwin
- Red Maple Fiction <u>Minrs</u> by Keven Sylvester

Red Maple Non-fiction - <u>Vanished: True Tales of Mysterious Disappearnces</u> by Elizabeth MacLeod

Author Visit:

On Tuesday, April 4 Kevin Sylvester visited Stonehaven to present to grades 5 through 8. Kevin is a Canadian author who has written many books including the *Neil Flambe* series and his most recent young adult novels *Minrs* (Red Maple Award Winner) and *Minrs2*. Many students are presently enjoying reading his books that we have in our learning commons.

Overdue or Lost Library Books: Students are asked to please return all overdue library



books. Other students are anxiously waiting to read these books. Thank you.



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<u>EQAO</u>

All grade 3 and 6 students in publicly funded schools throughout Ontario will be participating in Language and Mathematics assessment activities during the last week of May and the first week of June. We have planned the following dates for Stonehaven students:

Grade 3 – Tuesday, May 23 to Friday, May 26

Grade 6 - Friday, May 26 to Wednesday, May 31

If you have a child in grade 3 or 6, please do not schedule appointments during those dates. By writing during the scheduled times and with the available support, your child is ensured optimum opportunities to perform to the best of his/her ability. Full attendance will also assist us to administer the test in a standardized fashion and within the timelines we have been given. Students are required to make up any tests missed due to an absence. EQAO has prepared a bulletin to help parents understand what their children can expect during the administration of the Grade 3 and Grade 6 assessments. You can access the bulletin on the "Parent Resources" section of the Web site, **www.eqao.com**.



Grade 8 Graduation

Graduation is on Tuesday, June 20 2017. This year's theme is: **Starry Night**



Please make a note of the following timelines listed below:

5:15pm - Group picture in the Newmarket High Atrium. Each Graduate will receive a picture. Please arrive by **<u>5:00pm</u>** to allow time to organize the group photo.

5:45-6:45pm - Ceremony at Newmarket Theatre

7:00-10:00pm - Dinner/Dance at the Police Shed, (corner of Stonehaven and Bayview).

YRDSB Survey for Parents/Guardians

Parents/guardians are invited to participate in a survey before May 19. This survey provides an important opportunity for parent/guardian voice. Results will be used to guide planning to support student achievement and well-being.

The English version of the survey is available online. Paper surveys are available in English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese. Please contact the school to request a paper copy.

We value your input and encourage you to complete the survey. The information you provide will be anonymous, considered confidential and kept in strict accordance with all relevant legislation. Please contact the school if you have any questions.

Link is here:

https://bww.yrdsb.ca/services/research/Pages/Questionnaires.aspx

May 18th Reconciliation Anthology, Stonehaven Intermediate Division- Modern Learning Project

The Reconciliation Anthology, from Stonehaven Elementary School, is a collection of student work exploring ideas and issues from First Nations, Métis and Inuit people on Turtle Island (North America). During our creative process intermediate students studied Indigenous ideas and issues through music, visual art, science, literacy, drama and dances. The inquiry process explored contemporary issues and their historical origins that Indigenous people face in Canada. The Reconciliation Anthology is our effort to share with others what we have learned through creative work with Indigenous artists to bring attention to First Nation, Métis and Inuit cultures.

Community members and families are invited to drop in and view our work in the Library at Newmarket High School on May 18 from 1:30pm to 6pm. We look forward to seeing you there.





Safe Arrival

Please remember to call the school **(905) 898-2077** when your child will be absent or late from school. The answering machine is on after school hours so you can leave an attendance message at anytime during the evening. Safe School Policy states that we have to account for every child every day. We will attempt to contact you if you have forgotten to call the school, but in the event that we cannot get hold of you, Safe School Policy states that we are to call the Police.

Yard Supervision

Outside yard supervision of students **begins at 8:10 a.m.daily**. Please **do NOT** send your children to arrive at school **before** this time.



Parent Survey

April, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our parents and guardians are our strongest partners in education and we want to hear from you. The York Region District School Board is inviting all parents and guardians to complete a survey between May 1 and May 19, 2017. This survey provides an important opportunity for parent/guardian voice and the results will be used to guide planning to support student achievement and well-being.

The survey is aligned with the priorities of the Board Improvement Plan and includes questions about school learning environments, mathematics, student mental health and well-being, equity and inclusivity, and caring and safe schools. The survey is in compliance with the Ontario Education Act and fulfills the Ministry of Education's mandate to conduct surveys related to school climate.

The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. The English version of the survey is available online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/yrdsb2017ParentSurvey. Paper surveys are available in English, Simplified Chinese, Traditional Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hebrew, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Sri Lankan Tamil, Urdu and Vietnamese. Please contact the school to request a paper copy. If you choose to complete the survey on paper, please return it to the school in the envelope provided.

We value parent/guardian input and encourage you to complete the survey before May 19th. The information you provide will be anonymous, considered confidential and kept in strict accordance with all relevant legislation. You may choose to complete one survey for each child.

Survey results will be available in the late Fall through your school principal. Please contact the school if you have any questions. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,





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The Character Trait for May is Courage

We face challenges directly. We seek help from others when necessary. We do the right thing even when it may be unpopular. We are able to recognize risks and danger and do not take

unwise risks to gain approval of those around us.



MONDAY: Subway Sandwiches TUESDAY/THURSDAY: Lunch Lady WEDNESDAY: Greek Lunch/Popcorn THURSDAY: Tuck Shop -Cookies \$1 each FRIDAY: Pizza/Pasta / Frozen Yogurt

May 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 Day 1 Sibbald Point Trip Music Monday School Council 6:30pm	2 Day 2 Sibbald Point Trip After School Math Program gr.'s 7 & 8 Kindergarten concert 6:30pm	3 Day 3 Sibbald Point Trip Gr. 3's to Pioneer Village Tutoring gr. 3 & 6 Kindergarten concert 6:30pm	4 Day 4 Wellness Day After School Math Program gr.'s 7 & 8	5 Day 5
8 Day 1 Speaker Series @ Glen Cedar P.S. 7pm	9 Day 2 After School Math Program gr.'s 7 & 8	10 Day 3 After School Tutoring gr. 3 & 6 Gr. 7's and Gr. 8 girls vaccinations	11 Day 4 Dunn's class to Fairy Lake After School Math Program gr.'s 7 & 8	12 Day 5
15 Day 1 Evolve Skate Boarding Gr.'s 1-3 Grade 8's to Toronto	16 Day 2 Evolve Skate Boarding Gr.'s 1-3	17 Day 3 Evolve Skate Boarding Gr.'s 1-3	18 Day 4 Reconciliation Anthology. Artwork displayed @ NHS Library 1:30-6pm	19 Day 5
22 School is	23 Day 1 EQAO Gr. 3's	24 Day 2 EQAO Gr. 3's Welcome to Kindergar- ten 5:45-7:00pm Track and Field gr. 4-8	25 Day 3 EQAO Gr. 3's Dunn's class to Fairy Lake	26 Day 4 EQAO Gr. 3's & 6's Pyjama Day Senior band to Canada's Wonderland
29 Day 5	30 Day 1	31 Day 2	1 Day 3	2 Day 4
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