

STONEHAVEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

March 2021

"Spring's greatest joy beyond a doubt is when it brings the children out" ~ Edgar Guest

Spring has sprung, the bees are waking up and the birds are returning home. Soon the blossoms will bloom, as the warm air settles in and the days grow longer. Spring - a beautiful time of year!

In March some of our families celebrated Nowruz, Passover, Palm Sunday, St. Patrick's Day and Lailat al Miraj. We hope you and your family had an enjoyable celebration.

With school council events this past month, 47 of our families gathered for an engaging virtual storytelling night. Thank you to our teachers, staff and students for your hard work pulling it all together. You did amazing!

This past Sunday, we also learned martial arts with All Stars Martial Arts Academy. It got everyone moving! Thank you, Rafaela Abraham, for organizing that energizing event, and Jacob for demonstrating the techniques. You did great!

Our organic garden fundraiser is now open, and our Read-a-Thon is underway. This coming month we are accepting video recordings for the year-end talent show, hosting a "Canada Day" spirit day and the PRO grant speaker series is underway so check your email for the event details.

Our next virtual school council meeting is on Thursday, April 1, 2021 from 6:30 pm until 8:00 pm. Please let the office know if you would like to attend.

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SPRING JOKES

Q: What is the best season to bounce on a trampoline?

A: Spring time!

Q: Why is the letter "A" like a flower?

A: Because a bee ("B") comes after it

Q: What goes up when spring rain comes down?

A: An umbrella

Do you have a funny joke to share?
Send it to stonehaven.es@sc.yrdsb.ca



TALENT SHOW AND GRATITUDE LETTERS

TALENT SHOW!



What's your talent?

*Can you play an instrument?
Do you tell really good jokes?
Can you do magic?
Do you blow really big bubbles?
Can you sing?
Can you bounce on a pogo stick?
Do you know a cultural dance?
Are you a speed-cuber?
Can you recite a special poem?*

We are planning a year-end virtual talent show with our students as the STARS!

Send an email to
stonehaven.es@sc.yrdsb.ca
to get your name on the list and find out how to submit your video.

Videos are DUE by APRIL 30th, 2021

The videos will air live during our final engagement event of the year in June 2021.

*We are so excited to see what you can do!
Now is YOUR time to shine!*



GRATITUDE NOTES FOR STAFF

With your help, Stonehaven School Council is planning to send a note of gratitude to our staff who have been working extra hard this past year to provide our children with an exceptional education during these extraordinary times.

We are asking for your help personalizing the thank you notes by answering questions about your child's teachers and/or support staff using this form:

<https://forms.gle/8dr23M6X5qTVaqvH7>

The letters will be written by School Council members and parent volunteers on behalf of your child's class. Each letter will be a reflection of the kind words you share with us through this form.

Please submit one form for every staff member that you would like to recognize.

Forms are due by April 30th, 2021.

If you have any questions, please send an email to stonehaven.es@sc.yrdsb.ca

READ-A-THON

Thank you to the students and teachers who have been reading away,
and to the families who have been adding to our tally by submitting
their minutes read at home. So far we have read...
38,506 minutes minutes of our 100,000 minute goal!

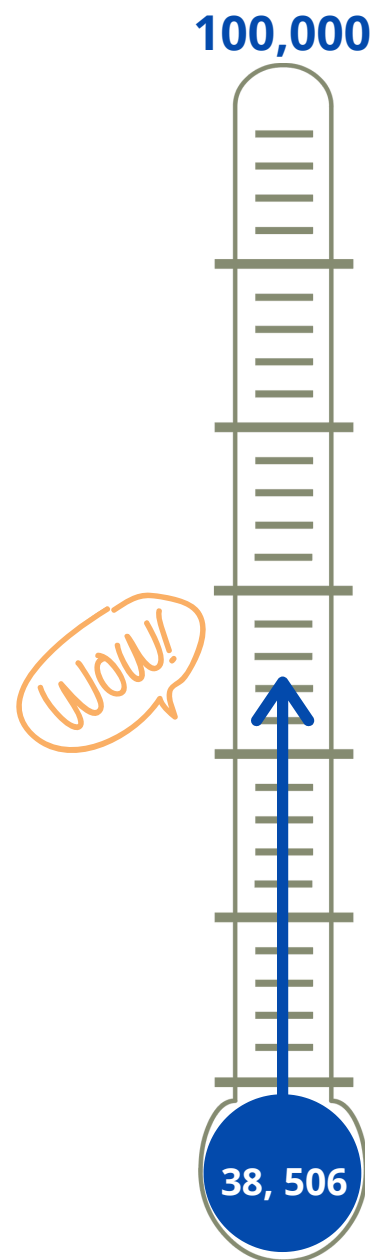
Stonehaven • Read-A-Thon

Slow down and read a book

Enjoy the pages. No need to rush.

Help add to our reading tally by submitting the
minutes your child reads at home
<http://bit.ly/StonehavenReads>

+ Stonehaven Read-A-Thon
donations accepted at School Cash Online
www.schoolcashionline.com



A special applause to Noah,
Cortland, Nathan and
Charlotte for your awesome
job reading at home!

GROW WITH US ~ A HEALTHY FUNDRAISER



This year we teamed up with Plantables to help us raise money for Stonehaven Elementary School and fill your garden with organic fruits and veggies!

Who is Plantables?

Plantables is a company in Forest, Ontario that grows healthy, hardy and happy fruit and vegetable plants for \$4 each. The best part is that they ship them to arrive at your door exactly when they need to go into the ground! All you have to do is pick what plants you want to grow, choose when you want them delivered and wait for your box of garden-ready plants to arrive on your doorstep.

How does the program work?

All you have to do is tell everybody you know to go to www.plantables.ca. If they want to buy garden-ready fruit and vegetable plants for their garden, ask them to enter the code **GROWWITHUS** at the checkout so that their order is associated with our school.

We're really excited to be launching a fundraiser that involves growing healthy fruits and veggies for you and your family!

If you have any questions, please send an email to stonehaven.es@sc.yrdsb.ca. Thank you for all of your support!

SPIRIT DAYS

Mark your calendar with these up-coming spirit days
that you're not going to want to miss!



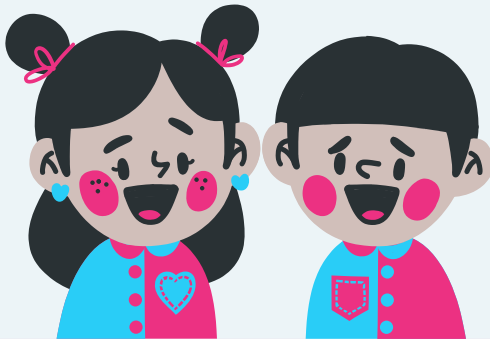
FRIDAY, APRIL 9, 2021

CANADA DAY THEME

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2021

BACKWARDS DAY

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DAY!***

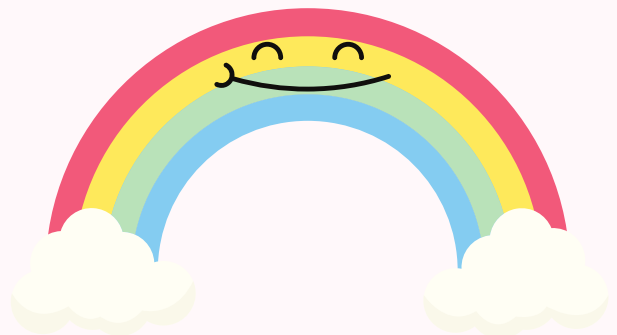


FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 2021

TWIN DAY

FRIDAY, JUNE 18, 2021

RAINBOW DAY





HOW TO CONTACT THE STONEHAVEN SCHOOL COUNCIL

Do you have an idea for the newsletter or a Council initiative? Would you like to volunteer your time on one of our projects or events?

Do you have a joke to share, a great picture of your child learning, an idea for a future event or questions about our activities? We would like to hear from you!

Please direct your questions, ideas and submissions to the School Council email account which is: stonehaven.es@sc.yrdsb.ca

You may also visit our webpage for additional resources, information and updates from council.

Please note that additions to the meeting agenda must be received two weeks prior to the council meeting date. Meeting dates are on our council [website](#).

If you would like to attend a virtual meeting, please send a message to the office so they can add you to the list. Our next meeting is Thursday, April 1, 2021. We hope to see you there.

Kindest regards,
Cathy Miles
Chair, on behalf of School Council