



Sutton Public School

December 2016

THE SUTTON STINGER

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For the safety of our students, no scents, peanuts or nut products please!

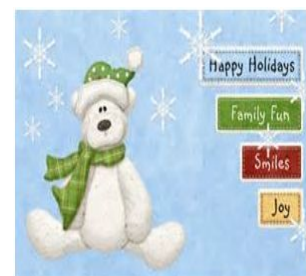


Principal's Message:

The winter concert will be on Wednesday, December 21st starting at 5:30pm. The theme of the concert is "**Winter Wonderland.**" There will be songs and skits presented by our students. Santa will be here for pictures!. School Council is having the silent auction again at the concert as each class is creating a themed basket. The Character Room is selling tickets for a draw where the winner will receive reserved parking and/or seating at the concert. More information will be available next week. Parking is always a problem during this time of year. Please plan to carpool and there is extra parking available at Sutton District High School.

The next parent council meeting is on Tuesday, December 13th starting at 3:00. We will be wrapping the baskets for the silent auction, which will be occurring during the Winter Wonderland Concert.

Warm greetings to the families celebrating during this holiday season! This is the time for families to get together to appreciate the memories of the past and to build future memories. People celebrate the holidays in many different ways with their families. Love warms our hearts and hope promises us a bright future. The staff at Sutton PS wish the families of their school community a peaceful holiday season and happiness in the New Year.



Kind regards,

*R.Hibberd
Principal*

*D.Totten
Vice-principal*

School Council

The school council provides advice on school matters. The council includes parents/guardians, school staff, and community members. School council involvement gives you the opportunity to be part of a team working to ensure a high quality of education. All parents/guardians and members of the school community are welcome to attend meetings.

www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/getinvolved.html

The next school council meeting is - December 13th, 2016 3:00 p.m.

In lieu of a meeting, members of School Council will be wrapping the holiday gift baskets and getting them ready for the silent auction. Volunteers are needed!

A Message From Our Trustee

As we near the end of 2016, I hope everyone has had a great school year so far and found opportunities to get involved with the life of the school.

It is wonderful to have opportunities to see not only what our students are learning, but to see how they are learning – collaborating and problem solving, using technology in exciting new ways, and engaged in hands-on activities.

I want to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated staff members, students, families and community members across our Board. Thanks to all of the great people we have in our system, we continue to advance student achievement and well-being.

Our Board continues to have a strong commitment to creating welcoming, inclusive learning environments that enable all of our students to thrive. Engaging families in your child's education and the school community is an important part of creating that environment.

There are resources for families available on our Board website at www.yrdsb.ca/parents, including information on Board programs and supports, and tips for parents to support your child's learning at home and at school.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful start to 2017. I hope you are able to enjoy time with family and friends.

Nancy Elgie



Library News

It is so wonderful to see some of our new library books being checked out and enjoyed by students.



Listen for announcements about the Book Club, which will be beginning after the winter break. There will be a Junior Book Club and an Intermediate Book Club. Staff and students are welcome to join. We are very excited to be able to read the books selected for the Silver Birch Award (Junior) and the Red Maple Award (Intermediate). The books, which could receive the Award, are selected by the Ontario Library Association. Students, from across Ontario, who have read the books, vote online in April, to choose a winner. It is very exciting, that students have a voice in choosing an award winning book.

Primary Students will read the Blue Spruce Award books, as a class and vote as a class.

More details to come....

Silent Basket Auction

Once again this year school council will be holding a silent basket auction. Teachers have chosen 1 or 2 basket themes for their classrooms. Students are asked to bring in unused items to fill the baskets. The deadline for basket items will be December 12th.

We are also in need of baskets, tissue, ribbon, tape, clear wrap, bows, etc.

Sports Edition

The season for the Girls' Intermediate Volleyball season has come to a close. All team members should be proud of their effort and results based on the past 3 months of training. Our team put together two solid performances in Markham and Unionville against the top teams from the region. They won their home tournament at SPS, being the first team since the 80's to win at SPS. Finally, they went undefeated at their area tournament in round robin, winning 5 matches in a row. Advancing through the semi-finals vs. Black River PS, in two sets. The girls went up against a talented squad from R.L. Graham, who had a multitude of club volleyball players. We played well in an exciting game but lost 15-13 in the final set. Needless to say, every player had a role on this team, and contributed to the chemistry that a winning team needs.

"Success comes from knowing that you did your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming." (John Wooden)



The Boys intermediate volleyball team had a fantastic tournament in November, playing against the north schools of York Region. The team just missed out on the playoffs, posting a record of 2-3. They showed amazing perseverance and improvement throughout the season, developing into a competitive team. They represented the school in a positive and respectful way. Go Stingers!

Leadership- Eco-camp

On November 9 to 11 some members of the eco-club went to Camp Cedar Glen.



Eco-Camp was an amazing adventure for all seven of us who went and enjoyed the wonderful memories we share now! It was an excellent source of information on the environment and how we can make a change in **our** world that we live in today! I think that I can speak for all of us when I say that we enjoyed sticking together and working as a team to accomplish the activities we encountered. We all had a pleasant time at Eco-Camp and by the time the week was over we all were much closer as friends and as teammates! Now we wait until Maria Welsh, Beth Croome, Sydney Butt, Bella Ruggle, Nicole Welsh, Chase Goldie, and Ms.Hartley go to Eco-Camp again soon!! We am hoping to improve our school and environment with the wonderful things we learned at Eco-Camp!

---Written By: Chase and Maria, Fellow Eco-Campers---



For **your**
information

November 28, 2016

Norovirus illness is common at this time of year

Over the past few days, media has reported a number of norovirus-like outbreaks with symptoms of vomiting, diarrhea and nausea. Norovirus, often referred to as the “stomach flu”, is a very contagious viral illness that is usually not severe, comes on quickly and normally resolves in 24 to 48 hours.

York Region Public Health can confirm that two York Region schools, one in the Town of East Gwillimbury and one in the City of Markham, have tested positive for norovirus. York Region Public Health actively works with facilities experiencing outbreaks to implement control measures, such as increased cleaning and disinfection.

As seen with Thornhill Woods Public School, these control measures effectively reduced student absenteeism by 50 per cent over a few days.

To lower the spread of norovirus within our communities:

- Anyone experiencing symptoms should continue to stay home for at least 48 hours after symptoms stop
- Thoroughly wash hands with soap and water, especially after using the toilet or changing diapers and before preparing, handling and eating food
- Wear gloves when cleaning up vomit or diarrhea. Contaminated surfaces must first be scrubbed using detergent and water and then disinfected. To disinfect a contaminated surface, create a chlorine bleach solution by mixing one cup (250 ml) of bleach in nine cups (2.25L) of water
- Remove and wash clothes and linens that may be contaminated with vomit or feces
- Keep sick individuals out of areas where food is being handled or prepared
- Anyone who is sick should not handle or prepare food for at least 48 hours after symptoms stop



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School Bus Cancellation Notice

To ensure the safety of students, school bus service may be cancelled due to inclement weather, extreme temperatures and/or poor road conditions. In these cases, parents and students should develop alternate care/transportation arrangements.

Cancellation decisions will only be made after thorough consultation with the Safety Officers of school bus companies servicing York Region and are based on several factors including precipitation, air temperature, road conditions and weather forecast.

Please note the following;

- A decision to cancel school bus service will be region-wide meaning all school buses, vans and taxis will not operate.
- School bus routes may be cancelled when severe weather may not be affecting all municipalities in York Region. Both the YRDSB and YCDSB operate many regional educational programs. Students attending these programs are transported over large attendance areas encompassing several municipal boundaries. This limits the ability to cancel bus service using a municipality or zone methodology.
- When bus service is cancelled all school tests and/or examinations will be cancelled and rescheduled.
- Student trips involving the use of school buses will also be cancelled.
- Unless otherwise stated, schools will remain open and parents can make arrangements to transport their children to and from school even if school bus service is cancelled. If buses are cancelled in the morning, they will not operate in the afternoon. Therefore students transported to school by parents will require the same transportation home.

Parents, students and school staff are asked to access the following radio and television stations after 6:00 a.m. to receive bus cancellation information:

RADIO

590 AM	640 AM	680 AM	860 AM	1010 AM	1050 AM
1540 AM	1580 AM	88.5 FM	89.9 FM	92.5 FM	93.1 FM
94.9 FM	95.9 FM	97.3 FM	98.1 FM	99.1 FM	99.9 FM
101.1 FM	102.1 FM	104.5 FM	100.7 FM	105.9	107.1 FM

TELEVISION

CITY TV CTV Barrie CTV Toronto CP24 GLOBAL NEWS

A bus cancellation message will also be available at School Bus City and by calling 1-877-330-3001, or by following @YRDSB and @YCDSB on twitter.

The Character Trait for December is EMPATHY:

"Empathy is about finding echoes of another person in yourself. " Mohsin Hamid

Upcoming Events at Sutton Public School

December 2016	
Gr. 7 & 8 Raptor's Game Field Trip	December 20th
Winter Concert	December 21st
Winter Holidays	December 24th to January 8th
January 2017	
P.A. Day - No School	January 20th
Gr. 7 Immunization	January 26th

***Thank you so much for letting us know when your child/ren will be away from school.
905-722-3782***