

**Sutton Public School** 

October 2016

## THE SUTTON STINGER

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 For the safety of our students, no scents, peanuts or nut products <u>please!</u>



#### Principal's Message:

A parent recently asked me what they can do to help their child continue with their learning at home. I informed her of an excerpt I read from Boushey's and Moser's book, *The Daily Five*.

There is value of reading outside of school. Yet we don't have control over that realm of a child's experience and education. One way to give children additional exposure to books is to increase the amount of time they hear fluent and expressive reading by others. Reading with someone helps students read independently and grow as readers. Reading with someone helps readers, especially developing readers, become more self-sufficient and less reliant on the adult for assistance. Research shows that taking turns reading increases reading involvement, attention, and collaborations. What's more, kids love partner reading and readily do it with books of their choosing.

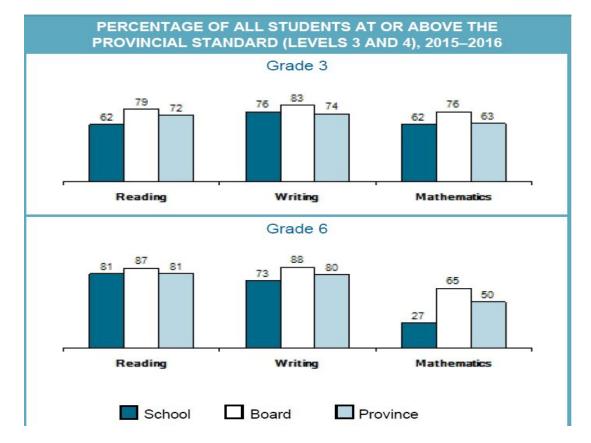
Sutton PS' focus is developing the reading skills and levels for each student at home and school. The best time for ready is just before bedtime. Enjoy a good book!

Kind regards, R.Hibberd Principal

D.Totten Vice-principal

#### EQAO Results 2015-2016

Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics for the primary division (Grades 1-3) and junior division (Grades 4-6)



This graph provides a summary of Sutton Public School's performance related to literacy and mathematics skills measured by the EQAO assessments. The test was written by grade 3 and grade 6 students last May/June 2016. The summary can be used to identify strengths and weaknesses in the reading, writing and mathematics skills that students are expected to develop by the end of the primary and junior divisions, as outlined in Ontario curriculum documents.

As a school, we interpret our school's strengths and weaknesses and engage in a discussion about what percentage would suggest a strength in our students. We then identify factors that might have contributed to a strength in specific areas (e.g., teaching strategies, content coverage, school focus, new learning resources). We similarly discuss with staff what percentage would suggest an area in need of improvement in our students. We identify factors that might have contributed to the need for improvement in specific areas (e.g., lack of direct teaching, poor student attendance).

The EQAO data will be shared with parents during October 18th's school council meeting.

#### **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 - Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2016 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

#### **Terry Fox Run**



Sutton PS Terry Fox Run/Walk was held last Thursday, Sept. 29th. It was a great success due to student and staff enthusiasm and the fabulous weather. Participants selected a person they wanted to dedicate their run/walk to, then proceeded to move around a 500m course for an hour. Some students ran over 10 kilometres!

#### Library News

Thank you to everyone, who supported the Scholastic Book Fair. We raised \$1500.00 for our library. Congratulations to Sage in grade 3 and Mrs. Craven/Mrs. Andrew's class for winning the door prize! Happy reading!



#### **Family Movie Night**



The October movie is **ICE AGE: COLLISON COURSE** Please join us at the GEM Theatre in Keswick on **Wednesday, October 19th at 6:30 p.m.** 

Tickets are \$3.00 each and can be purchased in advance or at the theatre.

#### **Sports**

#### Intermediate Girls' Baseball:

The girls battled hard during their area tournament. They went 4-0 during round robin play, while displaying true team chemistry. After defeating Keswick PS in the semi-final, they matched up against defending champions Holland Landing PS. The team was had a rough start to the game, landing themselves down 7-2 going into the bottom of the 4th inning. Digging deep helped the girls tie the game 7-7, eventually taking the



tournament title in the bottom of the 5th. Congratulations to these girls on their hard work and Mrs. Pegg's team managing.

#### Intermediate Boys' Baseball:

Congratulations to the Intermediate Boys' Baseball team for their strong effort at the tournament last month. The boys all showed up with a positive attitude and demonstrated teamwork and perseverance. Way to go boys!

#### No Parking in the Kiss and Ride Zone

Although signage stating the area is a Kiss and Ride Zone, cars are parking to drop off or pick up students. The driveways are fire and evacuation routes. We need to keep the flow of traffic moving through our parking lot and keep our students and community members safe. Please remember to enter the parking lot staying to the right. Drop off your child(ren) in the KISS and RIDE zone and continue around to exit. If you are coming into the school or need to get out of your car to help your child, please follow the flow of traffic and park in a designated parking

spot. Parents are having difficulty getting into the parking lot and are caught waiting on the road for cars to exit. Please don't park and get out of your car in the Kiss and Ride.

Another way to help with the traffic flow is to walk your child to school. Daily physical exercise for your child before school starts gets them ready and alert for learning.



#### School Security and Visitors in the School

The school doors are locked during the school day. Please ring the bell for entrance and check in at the office when you enter the school. The doors will be open before school to allow staff and students to enter and after school to allow families to enter the day care. If you are volunteering or attending a special event in the school, please sign in the office and wear a visitor badge. If you would like to see a teacher, check into the office, and the teacher will be

called to the office to meet you. Please do not walk down the hallway to your child's class because you are a stranger to the other children.

#### **Reporting Late and Absent Students**



Please be sure to read the information that has been sent home and to review the Safe Arrival Program that we follow each day to be sure that students arrive safely to school.

If students are going to be absent for any reason, please contact the school before 8:30 at 905-722-3782. Students who are late must report to the office for a late slip before going to class. This allows us to update our daily records. Please note that regular attendance and punctuality is expected of all students. Missing class for any time will result in students missing valuable instruction.

#### Safety Week

During **Safety Week** we had a fire drill, lockdown drill, and a hold and secure drill. The staff and students practiced the routines in order to prepare for emergency situations.

**Fire Drills** - We practice fire drills three times in the fall and three times in the spring.

**Lockdown** - We practice lockdown drills once in the fall and once in the spring. A lockdown is used when there is a major incident or threat of violence related to the school. Students and staff move to secure areas, away for doors and windows. Doors are locked, lights are shut off and blinds are drawn. Students and staff remain quiet.

**Hold and Secure** - We practice hold and secure once a year. It is used when there is a situation in the community, not related to the school. Activities continue, but all doors are locked. NO one is allowed to enter or exit the school.

#### Hallowe'en Activities

Hallowe'en activities will take place on Monday, October 31st in the afternoon. Students will be able to wear their costumes, take part in fun activities in their classrooms and have snacks.

Teachers and students will discuss healthy snacks and they will clarify what students may bring to school in class newsletters closer to the date.

Please remember that costumes must be appropriate for school and must not include any type of weapon, even if it is pretend.





CAPC York Region creating opportunities, with families, neighbourhoods communities, to work together so that by age 6 all children will have developed to their optimum level - physically, socially, emotionally and intellectually. For more information please call 905 - 989 - 1896

# Family Time "Stay and Play"



A time to... meet other parents, make crafts, play games, enjoy story time, eat a healthy snack have FUN!

Where: Sutton Public School

- When: Tuesdays Starting: Tues. Sept. 20 Ending: Tues. Dec. 13 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.
- Why: Are you looking for something to do with your child(ren)? Come and explore! Who: Infant to pre-schooler and parent

For transportation: call Lois 905-989 - 1896



## Information Night for Students and Parents

### Are you interested in attending Bill Crothers Secondary School for the school year 2017 - 2018?

Bill Crothers Secondary School is a unique, system-wide program that provides an inclusive and engaging learning environment for students who are motivated by healthy active living and sport while achieving academic success. This school operates on a Balanced School Year (early August to mid-June) schedule which supports the diverse needs of student-athletes. Specialized programming is offered to support our students through our diverse and daily Health and Physical Education and High Performance Athlete Program with contextualized learning in a variety of subject courses. During the school day, we offer an Integrated Learning Instructional Period (ILIP) which provides supervised time for students to achieve their academic goals.

Information Night at: Bill Crothers Secondary School, 44 Main Street, Unionville, Ontario.

Tuesday October 11th, 2016 - Students in the West & North of the Region

Wednesday October 19th, 2016 - Students in the East Region

Thursday October 20th, 2016 - Students in the Central Region

Information sessions will be from 7:00 - 8:30 pm in the school cafeteria.

If you have a conflict with your designated evening, you are welcome to attend an alternate evening. The above suggestions are made to assist with seating for each evening's presentation. Thank you.

Admission to Bill Crothers Secondary School is by application and is open to students who reside in York Region entering grades 9, 10, 11, or 12. Students must declare the sport in which they compete at the highest level outside of school and will not be able to compete in this sport for BCSS in the YRAA (York Region Athletic Association) or OFSAA (Ontario Federation of School Athletic Association) league. Alternative competitive options are being explored. Secondly, students who transfer in for grade 10, 11 and 12 are subject to YRAA and OFSAA transfer rules. Please refer to the http://www.yraa.com

Due to limited space and building capacity regulations, we ask that only families with students interested in attending BCSS for the school year 2017 - 2018 attend one of these evenings. Parking is limited so we ask that you carpool or park at the GO Station. By-law officers will enforce the parking regulations.

Applications will be available from the website on Friday October 21, 2016.

For further information, contact shirley.difebo@yrdsb.ca

To develop the love of sport through learning and the love of learning through sport.



The Character Trait for October is RESPONSIBILITY:

"You must take personal responsibility. You cannot change the circumstances, the seasons or the wind, but you can change yourself. That is something you have charge of. " Jim Rohn

### **Upcoming Events at Sutton Public School**

October 2016	
Thanksgiving Holiday - No School	October 10, 2016
Picture Day	October 12, 2016
Regional Cross Country	October 13, 2016
School Council	October 18, 2016
Grade 7 & 8 Immunization	October 24, 2016
P.A. Day - No School	October 28, 2016
November 2016	
Reports Home	November 23
Int. Girls/Boys Area Volleyball	November 22/23, 2016
Interview Evening	November 24
PA Day - Interview Day(am)	November 25

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