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To the parents/guardians of «First_Name» «Last_Name»

INFORMATION ITEMS

This e-bulletin contains important school information. If you have any comments or feedback, please email our school at sutton.dhs@yrdsb.ca

MESSAGE FROM ADMIN

Take Our Kids to Work day (TOKW) will be November 3rd this year. More information to follow.

Cafeteria

For the time being the Cafeteria will not be providing hot food as an option. We are waiting for processes to be put into place between the school board and York Public Health. All process used in the Cafeteria this year are above and beyond what has been required. There are no confirmed or suspected cases of Covid-19 in relation to the Cafeteria. The Café will be offering an assortment of cold sandwiches, salads, subs and wraps and hope to have hot food very soon.

Interim Reports and Parent's Night

Interims are going home today.

Edsby will be open this evening for parents to book interview with teachers for Parent's night on October 21st.

[Click here](#) for a copy of the instructions to sign up for parent's night that were emailed on October 14th.

MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

Next week will be Week 2, periods 3 & 4

GUIDANCE NEWS

Sutton District High School has a Prayer/Reflection room. If your student is interested in using this room, please contact guidance for more details. We can be reached at 905-722-3281 or by emailing SDHS.guidance@yrdsb.ca

Accelerated OYAP and Apprenticeship Information Night

Join us on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM!

REGISTER AT: www.bit.ly/OYAP_OPENHOUSE

[Click here for full poster](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct 15	Edsby will be open to book appointments for Parents' Night
Oct 15	Asynchronous learning – School closed to students
Oct 21	Parents' Night
Oct 25-29	Mid-term break
Nov 2	Photo Day
Nov 3	Take Our Kids to Work day

SCHOOL COUNCIL

S.D.H.S. School Council is looking for candidate nominations. Below is the link for the form. Please complete and submit to the office.

<http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/suttondistrict.hs/SchoolCouncil/Documents/FOR-SchoolCouncilNomination.pdf>

School council will meet virtually this year at 7pm on November 15, 2021, February 27, 2022 and April 25, 2022.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

To see our School Calendar with important upcoming dates please [click here](#).

CYBER AWARENESS MONTH (CAM)

Week 1: Show your devices and accounts some love

Fortifying and locking down our devices and online accounts should always be a priority.

Our devices and accounts are what we use to stay connected, to create and publish content, access online services, and play games. They are the doors to our online presence. We use our devices to authenticate who we are, communicate through email, texting, social media, and other tools, and we also use our devices to store personal information locally or in the cloud.

Many of us have multiple devices and accounts. Some are personal and some are for work, and some personal devices may be shared with other family members. Keeping track of it all can sometimes be challenging but it is important to do so.

This week take stock of your user accounts and devices and learn how to better protect them.

Topics and tips for Week 1 include:

Access the embedded links to find out more (links will take you to different websites):

- Enable the strongest authentication tools available on your devices and online accounts (e.g. biometrics, multi-factor authentication, and strong passphrases or complex passwords).
 - [Create a strong password or passphrase](#) unique to each account. [Best practices for passphrases and passwords](#).
 - Use [MFA \(multi-factor authentication\)](#) to add an extra layer of protection.
 - Enable [biometrics](#) such as fingerprints or facial recognition as an authentication factor.
 - If you have too many passwords to remember, consider [a password manager](#).
- Keep all [software up to date](#) and enable automatic updates. Learn [how updates secures your devices](#).
- Install [anti-virus / antimalware software](#) on your personal devices and set it to scan on a schedule. Please note Board-provided devices already have anti-virus installed.
- Updating privacy and security settings on your devices and applications.
- [Back up](#) your devices regularly.
- Set age-appropriate parental controls on children's devices and [set screen time](#) and device boundaries. [Talk to children](#) about privacy, safety and [security online](#).
- Know your school's BYOD and acceptable use policies and follow them.

Videos

The CAM videos created by ECNO and the Ministry of Education are perfectly tailored to be played on school hallway/atrium TVs. With simple yet effective animations, and close captions/subtitles embedded into the videos, they can easily be played on repeat with no sound distractions. They can be found at the below links:

[Week 1a – Show your devices and accounts some love - Niko](#)

[Week 1b – Show your devices and accounts some love - Niko](#)

Week 2: Pay attention to your home network and Wi-Fi connections

Safe and secure Wi-Fi connections are just as important as having secure devices and online accounts.

Nowadays most devices are connected to the internet through our home network, our school or office network, a data plan, or a public Wi-Fi hotspot. Many of the applications installed on our devices require an internet connection to access online services and function properly. Our devices will often look to connect to available Wi-Fi hotspots irrespective of whether that Wi-Fi connection is safe or not. It is up to the device user to ensure appropriate security and safety measures are taken when connecting to public Wi-Fi hotspots or deciding not to connect.

Topics and tips for Week 2 include:

Access the embedded links to find out more (links will take you to different websites):

- [Secure your home network](#) and actively managing it. Considering upgrading your network router every 3-5 years to take advantage of improvements in security features.
- Take stock of devices connected to your home network and monitoring for unusual activity.
- Setup a guest network for your friends and visiting family members to separate their access and activity from all your home devices.
- Setup a separate network for your smart devices, so if compromises occur, the threat remains isolated from your personal devices that contain personal and sensitive information.
- Kid-proof your home Wi-Fi network to make it safe for children.
- [Avoid untrusted public Wi-Fi access](#); use a personal data plan or personal hotspot or use a [VPN](#) when having to connect through an untrusted Wi-Fi hotspot.

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[Week 2a – Pay attention to your home network and Wi-Fi connections with Sam](#)

[Week 2b – Pay attention to your home network and Wi-Fi connections with William](#)

Stay tuned for **Week 3: Care for your personal information – it is valuable!** on Monday October 18th.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Keswick Optimist Club Trunk or Treat family event on October 23, 2021 from 12:00-3:00pm at S&B Motors

[Click here for the poster](#)

Big Brothers Big Sisters of York (BBBSY) is offering free virtual group mentoring programs designed to empower youth while keeping them connected to their peers.

[PDF link](#)

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT HOURS

For a complete guide to community hours, please see the following [Student Guide to Community Hours](#)

- Students are required to get school approval and provide a copy of the form **prior** to completing their activities
- As a general rule students **can not** complete hours in a for-profit-business

Due to COVID restrictions, **For 2021 - 2022 school year only**, the Ministry of Education has allowed the following activities that are not normally acceptable:

- Activities that include **up to 10 hours** of paid work, with the requirement to complete a reflection exercise indicating how their work contributed to service for others. Please use this link to record and write your reflection: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1oQ8-f42kx9b9pytmdUPhW-Jhm-BF6MpyBj5ZE9ZxvFl/edit>
- Activities such as walking a younger neighbour or sibling to and from school or helping younger siblings with their homework
- Activities that consist of duties normally performed in the home (e.g. students could help an elderly relative with errands, provide after-school care for a sibling)
- Students who **graduate** within the 2021-2022 school year (prior to June 30, 2022) will need **20** community hours - the requirement for graduation after this date remains at 40 hours

«First_Name» «Last_Name» has completed «Community_Servi» hours of community volunteer hours. Community volunteer hour forms can be found in the Guidance Office. Please be advised the completed forms are processed periodically, the hours submitted to the office may not appear for up to four weeks. Please contact the Guidance Office to follow up should community service hours not appear after that time.

Community Involvement Hours opportunity

Any student interested in volunteering with the Keswick Optimist Club's Trunk or Treat event on October 23rd should contact them at keswickoptimist@gmail.com.

PAR (Pefferlaw Association of Ratepayers) needs Volunteer Helpers for an event in October.

October 30 – Haunted Trail at Pefferlaw Ice Pad

[Click here for full poster](#)

New opportunities become available throughout the year. Please check Community Involvement Hours board in Guidance

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Please review the following attendance report. The report includes all lates and absences for your son/daughter for the week of October 12-14, 2021 inclusive.

The attendance report below contains information for all courses attended. Classes with zero lates and zero absences may not appear on the report.

Course	Period	Teacher	Total Absences	Total Lates
«Course_A»	«Period_A»	«Teacher_Last_A»	«Absence_A»	«Lates_A»
«Course_B»	«Period_B»	«Teacher_Last_B»	«Absence_B»	«Lates_B»
«Course_C»	«Period_C»	«Teacher_Last_C»	«Absence_C»	«Lates_E»
«Course_D»	«Period_D»	«Teacher_Last_D»	«Absence_D»	«Lates_F»
Totals			«Total_Abs»	«Total_Lates»

ATTENDANCE

Student attendance is directly related to student success. It is very important that students are at school on time and in class daily.

At Sutton District High School, when a student misses a class without a valid reason, our automated attendance program will phone home and email in the evening stating what grade the student is in and what class(es) were missed that day. If parents have any questions regarding the reported absence, they should check with their child and their child's teacher.

VALID ABSENCES

Only absences due to illness, medical/dental/legal appointments, bereavement, and school-sponsored activities are valid. All other absences, including missed buses and oversleeping are invalid. When a student is absent, it is the student's responsibility to ensure that his or her parent(s)/guardian(s) confirm knowledge of the validity of the absence. **Parent(s)/Guardian(s) are asked to call or email the Attendance Office at 722-3267 or sutton.dhs@yrdsb.ca (accessible 24 hours daily) on the morning of each day their child will be absent.** Informing of the absence prior to the day or on the day of the absence will allow the information to be entered and will prevent the need for a phone call home or for the student to obtain an admit slip upon return. In certain instances, medical documentation may be required. Students are responsible for informing teachers in advance of an anticipated absence. **Students are responsible for all missed work (tests, assignments, class notes) when absent and are encouraged to obtain this work from their teacher beforehand when possible.**