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

INFORMATION ITEMS

This e-bulletin contains important school information and a summary of your student’s attendance. If you have any comments or feedback, please email Jean Janzen at jean.janzen@yrdsb.ca

Student of the Week:

Congratulations to Autumn Brisbane for being chosen as this week’s “Student of the Week”. Well done!

National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

October 4th, marked the National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, and there are vigils being held across Canada to honour the lives that have been lost.

We would like to do a REDress project, http://www.redressproject.org/?page_id=27 which is to bring awareness to the missing and murdered Indigenous women in Canada. If any school community members have donations of red dresses that can be altered and painted on, as well as any light-coloured dresses that can be painted as well, they would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be dropped off at the main office by November 3, 2017.

Important Information for Parents/Guardians

Grade 9 – TAKE OUR KIDS TO WORK – PARENT GUIDE

Your son/daughter received the Take Our Kids to Work Parent Guide for information and consent for Wednesday, November 1. Please return to their homeroom teacher when completed.

YRDSB Scent Free Policy

The YRDSB has a scent-free policy and this policy includes SDHS. Many students do not realize that wearing fragrances to school or applying them at school before class or after gym can cause another person exposed to have an allergic reaction. This reaction can be as minor as watery eyes to full out anaphylaxis where their throat closes up and they stop breathing. Some people can develop an allergic reaction which results in asthma and every exposure can make the symptoms worse. The solution is simple.

1. Do not wear fragrances to school.
2. Do not apply fragrances while at school.
3. Obey SDHS scent-free policy

“Then we all at SDHS can breathe easier!!”

Cafeteria News

Are you interested in seeing our daily cafe specials and menu items? This information can be accessed through the “remind” Text Message System. To sign up for these reminders please see the following:

text @sdhscafe to the number (807) 788-2200
 They’ll receive a welcome text from Remind.

Menu items will then be sent as a text to your phones!!

School Council Information

The SDHS School Council will meet at 7 p.m. in the school library on the following dates:
November 20, 2017; Feb. 20, 2018; and May 22, 2018.
 (all dates are subject to change)

School Council Co-Chairs: Tiffany Drummond and Tracy Sedore-Drinkwater
 School Council e-mail address sutton.dhs@sc.yrdsb.ca

Upcoming Events

Oct. 20	PA Day
Nov. 1	Take our Kids to Work Day
Nov. 1	Last day of Term 1
Nov. 2	First day of Term 2

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 the Attendance Office at 722-3267 (accessible 24 hours daily) on the morning of each day their child will be absent or write a note verifying the absence.** 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. If no phone call or note is received, students must obtain an admit slip from the office. In certain instances, medical documentation may be required. Students who are 18 years of age or older are to sign in and out at the Attendance Office when leaving or entering the school for any reason. **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.**

Attendance Report

Please review the following attendance report. The report includes all lates and absences for your son/daughter for the week of October 6-12, 2017 inclusive.

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

Please note: the midterm and final report card is the official document for reporting attendance. Students and/or their parents can pick up a detailed attendance report from the Attendance Office.

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_C»
«Course_D»	«Period_D»	«Teacher_Last_D»	«Absence_D»	«Lates_D»
Totals			«Total_Abs»	«Total_Lates»

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER HOURS

Students are required to submit the form for Community Volunteer Hours PRIOR to volunteering. The students will need to get pre-approval from a Guidance Counsellor and have the form returned to them BEFORE they volunteer. This will require a minimum one week turnaround time. Please ensure that you follow these procedures so that you can get credit for all of your Community Volunteer Hours.

Students are reminded that any hours obtained over the summer should be handed into the Guidance office.

As a graduation requirement, students are required to complete 40 hours of community volunteer hours. It is recommended that students complete these hours in grades 9, 10 and 11. «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 Events**Community News.**

Would you like to upgrade your skills in English, Math or Computers? Are you seeking employment? Applying for College, second career or apprenticeships? Free courses are being offered at no cost. Please see link for further information. [i-WinComputer-Skills-Training.pdf](#)

Free classes for Adults Build A Better Future - Free classes for Adults. English as a Second Language, Language Instruction for Newcomers (LINC), Academic Upgrading Computer Skills, Citizenship an IELTS Preparation. Please see attach flyers for details.

[ContEd Ad.pdf](#) [ContEd ProgramBooklet v15 web \(1\).pdf](#)

Late bus Information

STSYR works closely with school bus operators to help ensure safe, reliable transportation is provided to students. Occasionally service times may be disrupted for various reasons. As a result, parents and students are encouraged to review the Late Bus Report

<http://net.schoolbuscity.com/latebus>

Late Bus Pass Schedule Monday - Thursday - Pefferlaw Tuesday and Thursday - Keswick No late busses on Fridays

BUS SAFETY

Students riding school buses must observe the following procedures:

- Be at the bus stop five minutes before scheduled pick up.
- Keep well away from the road until the bus has stopped. Do not move toward the bus until it has stopped.
- Watch for the bus driver's signal before crossing the road. Look both ways and then cross the road.
- Board the bus quickly using the handrail and go directly to your seat.
- Remain seated while the bus is in motion.
- Do not eat or drink on the bus as these are prohibited.
- Keep the aisle clear of books, knapsacks, lunch bags and other items.
- Keep windows closed unless the driver permits you to open them and never put hands, arms, head or legs out of the window.
- Never throw anything inside the bus or out of the window.
- Talk quietly, so as not to distract the driver.
- Shouting, horseplay and fighting are strictly prohibited; students engaging in these activities will have their bus privileges suspended.

HOLIDAYS, CELEBRATIONS AND OBSERVANCES IN OUR GLOBAL COMMUNITY

Judaism

October 13 Simchat Torah is marked by singing and dancing which celebrates the end of public reading of the Torah in the synagogue and the beginning of its reading anew.

Hinduism

October 18 ♦ Diwali (Deepavali) both names mean a row or garland of lights. Also known as the Festival of Lights, Diwali is probably the most widely celebrated Hindu festival. This festival may be celebrated over a five-day period. The diwas (clay pots filled with oil and a wick) herald the start of the new year and symbolize the triumph of good over evil, of light over darkness. For many Hindus, October 19, New Year's Day, is also very important.

October 20 - 25 Skanda Shashti Vratam is a six-day fasting period. It commemorates the destruction of evil by the Lord Murugan (Subramanya), who is the second son of Lord Siva and is celebrated with the dramatic enactment of Soora Samhaaram.

Jainism

October 18 Mahavira Nirvana. The Jain year begins with Moksha (attainment of final enlightenment and release) by Lord Mahavira. It is popularly known as Deepavali, festival of lamps. Lamps symbolize the light of knowledge.

SUTTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL LINKS

Sutton District High School Website

<http://www.suttondistrict.hs.ca>

York Region District School Board

<http://www.yrdsb.ca>

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