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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 <u>jean.janzen@yrdsb.ca</u>

#### Student of the Week:

Congratulations to Travon Brady for being chosen as this week's "Student of the Week". Well done!

#### Parent's Night sign up information

Re: Parents' Night is on October 12, 2017 from 5:30-7:30pm

Sutton District High School is happy to announce that we will be using an online process, **Edsby**, to manage our Parents' Night scheduling.

Edsby is an intuitive, cloud-based platform that will allow families to easily reserve times to meet with their child's teachers. Families will need to create an account in Edsby in order to reserve appointments. You should already have received an email from the York Region District School Board with instructions on how to create an Edsby account. Please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity.

You will need to create an Edsby account to access the online appointment scheduler for your child's teachers for Parents' Night. Only families who create an Edsby account prior to the schedule being opened on October 10, 2017 will have access. For help signing up for Parent-Teacher interviews, please visit <a href="https://goo.gl/X38UqE">https://goo.gl/X38UqE</a>.

#### Important Timelines

October 10 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Night schedule is opened for booking An invitation to book appointments will be sent to your email inbox			
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October 12<sup>th</sup> Parents' Night – 5:30 – 7:30pm

## 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!!

Picture Retake Day

Reminder to parents – Picture Retake Day is **October10, 2017** For students new to the school or students who missed photo day you can have your photo taken on Tuesday, October 10.

## What is MOBYSS?

MOBYSS offers a safe space to talk to a medical or mental health professional in a warm, welcoming, friendly environment. MOBYSS is run just like a regular walk-in clinic, but we also provide counselling services. Our services are 100% free and confidential with staff who are caring and non-judgemental.

- Confidential, non-judgmental space for youth aged 12 25
- Operated by Canadian Mental Health Association YR
- Walk-in format
- Health cards not required
- Staff include: Nurse Practitioner, Youth Mental Health Worker, Peer Support Specialist
- Services reflect a holistic approach to healthcare: primary care and mental health support, including:
  - Assessment, diagnosis and treatment of acute illnesses (such as a sore throat or bladder infection)
  - Preventative health care (such as yearly health exams or cervical screening)
  - Lab testing
  - Medical referrals including video access to specialists through the Ontario Telemedicine Network
  - Mental health support including counseling, skills building, referrals and peer support
  - Health education and prevention strategies, including harm reduction

The next visit by Mobyss is Thursday, October 12 from 11:30 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

## 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 <u>sutton.dhs@sc.yrdsb.ca</u>

## Upcoming Events

Oct. 9	Thanks Giving Holiday	Vali
Oct.10	Photo Retake Day	<u>d</u>
Oct. 11	College/University Presentations (period 3)	Abs
Oct. 12	Parents' Night	enc

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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 September 29 – October 5, 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. Discussional computer-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 IELT's Preparation. Please see attach flyers for details.

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## 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

<u>Buddhism</u>

October 6 Kathina marks Buddha's "descent from heaven." The day is dedicated to remembering the dead and respecting elders.

<u>Judaism</u>

October 5 - 11 Sukkot is a harvest festival or thanksgiving. Small huts are constructed in which meals are eaten, weather permitting, to commemorate the time when the Israelites dwelled in booths in the desert for 40 years.

October 12 Shemini Atzeret is a festival marking the end of the holiday of Sukkot on which a special prayer for rain is recited.

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.

# SUTTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL LINKS

Sutton District High School Website http://www.suttondistrict.hs.ca York Region District School Board http://www.yrdsb.ca Sutton DHS email address sutton.dhs@yrdsb.ca