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**November 2019
Newsletter**



KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

November, 2019

Dear Families,

November is a month of reflection.

Teachers and students are reflecting on their progress thus far in the year and are discussing next steps to improve their learning. Teachers have been working diligently at writing your child's progress report, which will be going home on **November 8th**. They will be sending out invitations to schedule a time for parent-teacher conferences for **the evening of November 13th**.

November 11 is a very important day to all of us as it brings about the remembrance of our war veterans and soldiers who protect our country, Canada. **Please join us on that day for Remembrance Day ceremonies in our gymnasium for 10:30 AM.**

We had our second school council meeting on October 21st. We are excited to continue planning for the year ahead! We are thrilled to be able to support programs such as Scientist in the Classroom, RAZ Kids reading programs, and more! Your support through pizza days and other fundraisers make this possible. Thank you! **Please join us at our next meeting in the school library at 6:30pm on November 18.**

We thank Ms. Sharma, Ms. Stavrakos and the grade 7/8 for organizing our Halloween initiatives. A big thank you also goes out to our parents Mrs. Alissa and Mr. Chris Gavel, who volunteered their time to DJ the Halloween dance. We are also grateful for our council Chair, Jenn McAuley for making the popcorn for that day. Student Council is working on some ideas on how the money will be spent to enhance school activities for all students.

We greatly appreciate all our volunteers. If you, or someone you know, such as grandparents, would like to volunteer to read with our youngest students, please come by the office to pick up a criminal check form. We will then contact you for the next step.

Sanaâ Soussan
Principal



November 3, 2019



UP COMING DATES

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| Nov 3- | Clocks fall back |
| Nov 6- | Picture Retakes |
| Nov 8- | Progress Reports go Home |
| Nov 11- | Remembrance Day Assembly |
| Nov 13- | Parent Teacher Conferences after school |
| Nov 15- | Spirit Day- Twin Day |
| Nov 18- | School Council Meeting |
| Nov 21- | Parents Presentation about Mental Health 5:45-6:45 pm. More Info to follow |
| Nov 22- | P.A. Day |

Character Trait for November is:



October Character Trait -Fairness
N. Lamont/J. Menard- Savannah S

C. McMahon/A. Stone- Natalie H, Logan K

C. Patrick- Alex T

S. Sharma- Hanna G

N. Bonnici- Sofia B

K. Hossack- Jack K, Chloe L

H. Graham /J. Baki- Morgan M

J. Ostler- Avery A, Lily K

J. Ruddell- Ayesha W,

A. Stavrakos- Weslee G

M. Mohammadi- Russell M

Grandfather Teaching for October is: **Humility**



N. Lamont/J. Menard- Halle W

C. McMahon/A. Stone- Jacob M

C. Patrick- Alec M

S. Sharma- Karlee C

N. Bonnici- Lukas W

K. Hossack-

H. Graham /J. Baki- Simon G

J. Ostler-

J. Ruddell- Roxie Z

A. Stavrakos- Natasha M

M. Mohammadi- Gaby R

Communication between Home and School



The teacher is your first line of communication regarding your child's social, emotional and academic progress. Teachers have their preferred way of communication, but you are welcome to call to make an appointment at any time.

Our school newsletters will be posted on Edsby and sent through school messenger as well.



Allergies

Our School is nut free. Please do not send any products that may contain nuts. We have students and staff with life threatening nut allergies. We thank you for keeping everyone safe.

Remembrance Day Assembly

November 11 in the gym at 10:30, all are welcome. Poppies will be for sale to each student in their classroom for small a donation if possible. The office will have poppies available for the parents/guardians and visitors.



Personal Electronic Devices

- Computers
- Cell Phones
- Digital T.V.
- DVDs
- Digital Cameras
- Kindle
- iPods and MP3 players



Personal Electronic Devices (PED)

The use of technology for student learning is a key 21st century skill to enable all of our students to learn and succeed. Under staff direction, Personal Electronic Devices can be used effectively as an educational resource, support or aid for teaching and learning. The teacher will determine and authorize the usage of a PED during instructional time. At all other times the device is to be powered off and kept in a students' backpack or locker. When the usage of a PED is inappropriate, the school designate or principal will apply progressive discipline strategies. Depending on the infraction, strategies may include, but are not limited to; speaking with the student, parent meeting, removal of the PED until the end of the school day, loss of privilege to have a PED at school or suspension. As with other personal property items, schools are not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged PEDs. These guidelines apply to all stakeholders in the school including students, staff, parents, volunteers and visitors.

VOLUNTEERS

Parents/Guardians wishing to volunteer must have an up to date Police Check yearly. You may stop by the office and request an application letter to take to the Police Station at 605 Rossland Road in Oshawa. We will also have letters available at the Open House September 17th for those interested in volunteering.

Important Information regarding the Student Absence Reporting System

Phone Number, Web Address, Phone App for Reporting Absences



Hello to all KPR families! This message is about the automated Student Absence Report System.

To create your new account and register your children for the automated system, please visit studentabsence.kprdsb.ca . If you use the mobile app, please search for **SchoolMessenger** (one word) on Google Play Store or Apple App Store

Once you have registered your child, you will be able to inform the school of your child's upcoming absences at:

- studentabsence.kprdsb.ca
- **1-844-434-8119**
- the **SchoolMessenger mobile app** on your cell phone or tablet.

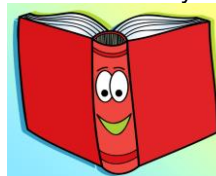
Registering will allow you to report all of your children's upcoming absences at a time that's convenient for you - 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Grade 8 Parent Information Night C.S.S.

Courtice Secondary School invites Grade 8 students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) to our Grade 8 Information Session and Open House on **Thursday, January 16, 2020 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**. The information session will include a presentation about our grade 9 program. You can also meet our teachers and take a tour of the secondary school classrooms.

Environment Club

Early in October, the Environment Club had a used book sale. The sale was a great success! Over 150 free books were given away to generous student book donors and several hundred more were purchased for a great price, helping us to reuse our old books and diverting them from landfills. Thank you so much to all family members and students who supported the sale as it enabled the Environment Club to raise funds of just over \$250. These funds will help us to do fun activities throughout the year that encourage us and our community to live more environmentally responsible lives every day.



Tree of Warmth and Food Drive December

We will be collecting winter Hats, mitts, scarfs and socks to be placed on the tree of warmth for decorations. These items will be donated to Bethesda House for Christmas. We are also collecting non-perishable food items for our local food bank which can be placed under the tree. The tree will be set up in the main foyer sometime around the second week of December.



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