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Lates, Absences & Safe Arrival Parent Portal



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Principal's Message

Please share with your friends and neighbours that Kindergarten registration is open for September 2020. Registering students now helps us with our staff allocation that is completed at this time of year based on enrollment and all completed registrations. All Junior Kindergarten registrations will get invited to the Grafton Kindergarten Open House.

Thank-you to your generous support of our School Council fundraisers this year as they have purchased a day of learning Lacrosse in our gym on Feb. 14th. Our grade 8 parents are also raising money with a Valentine fundraiser on the same day.

I hope that all grade 4-8 students will still have the opportunity to learn to ski and snowboard. All parents for these grades were sent a School Messenger email about moving all Brimacombe trips to Night Skiing. For the trips, I will need parents to help supervise on the bus and at Brimacombe. Contact the office if you need more details. If the trips are on a strike day then families will get a refund.

I am hopeful that provincial agreement can be reached soon for our ETFO staff.

Renee Cameron

THIS MONTH:

7-100th Day of School
11-Gr. 8 Grad Photo
14-Nationwide Lacrosse; Gr. 8 Parents Valentine Fundraiser
17- Family Day (Schools closed)
18-Turtle Math Contest this week-Optional grades 1-6
19-School Council Meeting 6:00pm in the library (Everybody welcome)
27-JK/SK/Gr 2 Dental Visit

SAVE THE DATE:

March 12- MADD Presentation Grade 7 & 8
March 13th-20th March Break

Bell Times:

Supervision: 9:05am

Start: 9:20am

Lunch 11:00—11:40am

Recess: 1:40—2:20pm

Dismissal: 3:40pm

THE LEADER IN ME®



In January, we shared Habits 1-3. Here are the rest of the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Kids:

Habit 4: Think Win-Win® I balance courage for getting what I want with consideration for what others want. When conflicts arise, I look for a win-win solution.

Habit 5: Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood® I listen to other people's ideas and feelings. I try to see things from their viewpoint. I listen to others without interrupting. I listen with my ears, my eyes, and my heart. I am confident in voicing my ideas.

Habit 6: Synergize® I value other people's strengths and learn from them. I get along well with others, even people who are different than me. I work well in groups. I seek out other people's ideas because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than what any one of us could alone. I look for 3rd alternatives.

Habit 7: Sharpen the Saw® I eat right, exercise, and get enough sleep (body). I learn in lots of ways and lots of places, not just at school (brain). I spend time with family and friends (heart). I take time to find meaningful ways to help people (soul). I balance all four parts of myself.

STUDENT RECOGNITION

School Speeches: Our School Speech contest was at the end of January. This year our judges were Mr. Cragg, Mrs. Lee and Mr. Bangs. Congratulations to the following finalists:

Grades 1-3: 1st Jordyn L Grades 4-6: 1st Madelyn S 2nd Audrey C 3rd Noah S 4th Josh S & Sara K

Grades 7-8 1st Kiera M 2nd Will Hall 3rd Lillian Jean 4th MJ K

At the Grafton Legion Contest, the 1st place winners will move on to the Provincial Legion competition. Congratulations to the Legion finalists: Grades 1-3: 1st place Jordyn L - Inner Warrior speech; Grades 4-6: 1st place Noah S-Global Warming 3rd place Sarah K-Fact or Fiction; and Grades 7-8 1st place Will Hall-Lego and 3rd place MJ K-Google

Grade 7 & 8 Hockey Team: Thank-you to parent coach Andrew Kennedy & trainer Barb Weiss for continuing our Monday night skates. The following students were able to join us this year: Abby K, Aly I, Kalum C, Klayton J, Jamieson M, Bayley M, Luke T

SNOW DAYS

The school remains open even if all buses are cancelled. If you transport your child to school when the bus is cancelled then you are responsible to pick them up by 3:40pm. If you are unsure about buses then you can check with STSCO at their website or on [Facebook](#) or Twitter [@stsko_ca](#) At any time, you may go to [PARENT LOGIN](#) (formally called [TRANSPORTATION BUS LOOKUP](#)) You will need your child's 9-digit **OEN student number**, located beside their name on their report card, as well as their **birth date**. **The breakfast program and hot lunch program is cancelled on Snow Days.**

SCHOOL BUS 2020-2021 Out of Boundary Requests

Out of Boundary Requests for the 2020-2021 school year are now **open on the STCO.ca website**. The deadline to apply for any possible space available busing for Out of Boundary students for the upcoming school year is **May 31st, 2020**.

Daycare Requests 2020-2021

Daycare Requests for the 2020-2021 school year are now **open**. The deadline to apply for any possible space available busing for Daycare students for the upcoming school year is **May 31st, 2020**. **PLEASE NOTE: If your child is starting JK in September, and does not have an OEN, please contact your school to fill out the applicable form.**