

# Sunnyside Elementary School

# Mid-October 2022 Newsletter

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# **Upcoming Dates**

Nov. 2--Pick up Nourish Your Roots

boxes 10:30-5:00

Nov. 3--HSA meeting 6:30 pm

Nov 4- - Updated Registration forms

due back

Nov. 11--Remembrance Day--no school

Nov. 16--SAC meeting 6pm

Nov. 21--Assessment & Evaluation Day

--no school for students

## Principal's Message

Welcome to November! November is always a great time to reflect on how much we've already learned this year and look forward to the next few months. It is also an important time to reflect on peace and freedom as we move towards Remembrance Day. Our school Remembrance Day observance will be an assembly for our students and staff. We hope to include past and present serving members of our community. If this is you, or a family member, please take note of the request in this newsletter.

In this newsletter you will find learning that is taking place in our school, as well as important information for our families. We hope you find it useful and informative.

## Remembrance Day

This year to commemorate Remembrance Day, we would like to thank all of the present and past serving members of our community. This includes military and first responders. We invite each of you (parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc.) to send us a picture of yourself (in uniform, if possible) that we can display in the main hallway. The students are so proud of their family members and love to share them with their classmates. Please email your picture to your child's teacher, or send in a copy by Nov. 8th.

Our Remembrance Day Ceremony will be held in the Eaglewood gym on November 10th at 11 am. Fort Sackville students will be bused to the site to attend. We are extending an invitation to serving and former members of the military to attend our ceremony as honoured guests. If you plan to attend, please let your child's teacher know.





Thanks to all who ordered boxes of fresh produce during our Nourish Your Roots campaign. With this initiative, we have earned over \$500 for our breakfast program.

### **Pick-up Details**

If you ordered a box (or boxes), pick up is Wednesday, November 2nd between 10:30 am and 5 pm at the Eaglewood site. All boxes must be picked up on Nov. 2 as we do not have the facilities to store them. If you cannot pick up your box, or arrange to have it picked up, please contact Ms. Thompson (<a href="mailto:cthompson@hrce.ca">cthompson@hrce.ca</a>) so alternative arrangements can be made.

We would appreciate volunteers to help unload the boxes between 9-9:45 on Wednesday and also to help distribute boxes after school on Wednesday (3-5). If you are able to help out even for a short time, please contact Ms. Thompson.

## **School Breakfast Program**

Our breakfast program is up and running this year and is a grab and go table at the front door as students enter in the morning. A successful breakfast program is universal and all students are welcome to pick from the choices out each morning.

Currently, we are able to offer cheese strings, apples, bananas, granola bars (low sugar/higher fiber and no nuts/peanuts), multigrain cheerios and yogurt tubes. If you would like to donate any of these items to our breakfast program, you can drop them off at Eaglewood or Fort Sackville. We would like to thank our student volunteers who set the table and food up each morning.

## Reminders

- Do not send nut or peanut products to school this includes "Nutella".
- Be cautious when dropping off your children at school to make sure that all students arrive safely.
- Respect "No Parking" and "No Stopping" signs when dropping off and picking up your students.
- Check your child's head regularly for head lice. If your child has a case of lice, they can return to school once they have been treated and there are no live lice. Reach out to the school if you need support with this. Your information will be kept confidential.
- Our Lost & Found inside the front door of Eaglewood is getting full.
   Come have a look or ask your children to check and see if any of their belongings are there.

#### **Volunteer Checks**

Criminal Record and Child Abuse Registry
Checks expire for school volunteers after 3 years.
If your volunteer paperwork has expired or will
expire in the next few months, you will be
receiving an email from Ms. Tricia to inform you.

### **Lunch Monitors**

We continue to look for lunch monitors to help out during student lunch time. These are paid positions that run from 12:10-1:10 Mon-Fri. We can accommodate people who wish to work only some days, or on a casual basis. If you are interested and able to help out, please reach out to Mrs. MacDonald (<a href="mailto:macdonaldn@hrce.ca">macdonaldn@hrce.ca</a>) or call the main office.

#### Pizza Lunch

Our next HSA Pizza Lunch will be on Friday, November 18th. You can order your child a slice of pizza online via SchoolCash Online. All orders must be in by Tuesday, November 15th. We are unable to take cash or late orders.

#### **Home and School News**

We had our first event last week, a family dance and it was highly successful. On behalf of the of the Sunnyside Home & School Association, we want to send a big thank you to all the volunteers who helped in many ways; from planning, organizing, picking up items, setting up and cleaning up, decorating, being chaperones, and staffing the various booths.

Thank you to the school for supporting us and allowing this event to happen. Special thank you to DJ Scott for the great music and bringing out the energy of the crowd. Also, thank you to Brain Candy Toys, Mastermind Toys, Home Depot (Bayers Lake) and Cineplex for donating as well.

The weather certainly cooperated which allowed us to have a portion of the dance party fun outside.

As this was our first in person event in a few years, we would like to thank all the families for attending. We hope you all enjoyed the evening, even if you didn't win a door prize or costume contest.

Our next event will be the Jingle Bell Breakfast on Saturday, December 3rd. We will also need many volunteers so please get your background paperwork completed.

Our next HSA meeting will be November 3rd at 6:30 in the Eaglewood site music room. We hope that you can join us to help plan our Jingle Bell Breakfast.







Primary students beginning their day with a circle to build community and a morning message to build vocabulary and communication.

#### **Homework Hub**

This is a service offered to students from grades 4-12 in French and English. If you are curious to learn more, please follow this link: https://nshh.ednet.ns.ca/info.php



## **HRCE Arts Programming**

Our classes continue to take advantage of the opportunity to work with an art teacher specialist. Many classes have been building sculptures with wire and plaster.





Hands-on, Minds-on literacy and math learning. Students are using clay to make their vocabulary words and using math tools to show their understanding 2-digit numbers. Here they are demonstrating partitioning--breaking a number into parts.





# Partnership with Brilliant Labs

Mme Richardson's grade 3 class has been working with Brilliant Labs on a "Hackoween" project. They were challenged to take a regular Halloween decoration and modify it to have moving parts. They coded Halloween messages to send to a microbit and the microbit message will be embedded into their Hackoween design. If you see one of these students, ask them what LED stands for!



