

October was a busy month at Highland Park Elementary, and we'd like to express our gratitude to our school staff and the extended HPE community! You are all very much appreciated! There were so



many amazing activities for students from field trips to assemblies to Parent-Teacher Conferences combined with awesome daily learning experiences in every classroom. We had fantastic costumes and activities for the students to conclude the month, and as we shift our focus and look ahead to November, we can see it is just as busy. We have our Remembrance Day Assembly, a Pro-D Day, and Report Cards to conclude the month. Please read on further for events happening at the school this month.

Sincerely,

Spencer Ward Rob Ellis Vice-Principal Principal

Garbage free Snacks

Please help us keep our playground litter-free by sending litter-free snacks to school with your children. Students will be encouraged to take

a snack out with them and leave the garbage inside. Some suggestions are granola bars, cookies, and fruit, which can be peeled before leaving the building. If we continue to work

together, we can maintain a clean, healthy environment, both inside and outside of our school.

Halloween Memories

It was wonderful to see so many unique and original costumes on Monday, Oct. 31st. The students enjoyed fun activities and some classes participated in a costume parade. Well done, everyone!



Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

Our School District set aside Wednesday, October 26th for parents and students to meet together with teachers to discuss progress so far and to set goals for the rest of the first term. The aim is to provide parents with a better way of understanding where their children are at in their learning journey.

Each meeting was scheduled for 20 minutes, and parents discussed their child's areas of strength and areas of need. We know that community-building and establishing strong relationships between home and school are what promotes learning in the most fundamental way.



Remembrance Day

As a way to honour our veterans each year, we hold a Remembrance Day Assembly. Students and staff are

encouraged to wear red or black on Wednesday, November 9th, and any students who are in Cubs. Scouts, Brownies or Guides are encouraged to wear their uniforms to school on that day for awareness. Our school wide assembly will take place in the morning, and it is somber and reflective in nature. Please



review with your child the expectations of this assembly, and that we can respect those who have sacrificed for our freedom by being quiet, sitting still, and being on our best behaviour.

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Report Cards

This year, students will have 3 formal report card assessments. Term 1 Report Cards will be distributed on November 30th and indicate student progress from September, including the strengths and stretches discussed by the teacher and family during Conferences in October. Since students learn in different ways and at different rates, this will a great time to reflect and celebrate student growth and development since the start of this school year.



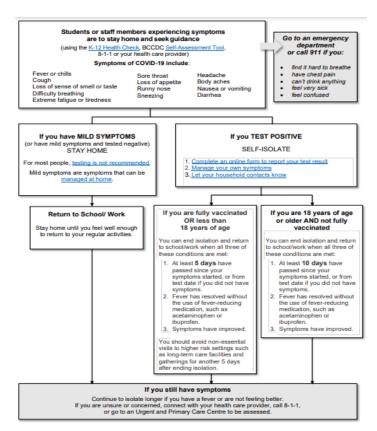
Winter Concert

This year's winter concert will take place at the Gazebo in Memorial Park. Our students will be singing Christmas Carols to build community connections and spread holiday cheer. Specific class times are in the process of being organized, and once they are finalized, classroom teachers will inform families so they can plan to attend. Our Winter Concert will happen during the week of December 5th to December 9th.



Daily Health Check

As we enter Cold and Flu Season, families are encouraged to complete a daily health check (an example is located on the HPE website) with their child prior to sending them to school each day. The following Flow Chart may also be of assistance to families, as we aim to keep everyone at Highland Park as safe and as healthy as possible. Your understanding and cooperation are appreciated.



Important Upcoming Dates

Tues. Nov. 8: Photo Retakes

Wed. Nov. 9: Remembrance Day Assembly

& PAC Meeting 2:45pm

Thurs. Nov. 10: Pro-D Day (no school)

Fri. Nov. 11: Remembrance Day Holiday Wed. Nov. 16: Spirit Day: Book Character Wed. Nov. 30: Report Card Distributed

At Highland Park Elementary we believe:

Respect of self, others, and property

Responsibility of self, others, and property

Right to enjoy lifelong learning



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