

# Wildcat ROAR!

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## November 2020-Harwich Raleigh Public School

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### *All the Good News from HRPS!*

#### **From the Office**

Thank-you to our parents/guardians, staff and students for a successful two months. It's wonderful to see our students smiling and connecting with their classmates during class and recess, as well as their engagement in a variety of learning experiences. A huge thanks is extended to our custodial team for all they do each day to keep the school clean. We appreciate everyone's efforts with the Covid 19 protocols, and the ongoing commitment to keeping our school community safe and well!

#### **Progress Reports/Communication of Learning Reports**

Progress Reports for students in Grade 1-8 and FDK Communication of Learning Reports will be sent home on **November 13<sup>th</sup>**.

As we are not able to facilitate Student Led Conferences, Parent/Teacher interviews will be offered.

Parent /Teacher Interviews will occur via a scheduled Google Meet for the parent that the teacher will schedule, or with a phone call at a scheduled time. The interviews will take place over two weeks **between Monday, November 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup>**.

Please let your homeroom teacher and/or your child's rotary teacher know if you are interested in connecting with them. We look forward to sharing information about your child's progress to date with you.

#### **Treaties Recognition Week**

Treaties Recognition Week is November 2-6<sup>th</sup>. Treaties Recognition Week was introduced in 2016 to honour the importance of treaties and to help Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and treaty relationships. Our students will be learning more about the importance of Treaties during this timeframe and this learning will also continue throughout the year.

#### **Remembrance Day-Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

On November 11<sup>th</sup>, we will be recognizing Remembrance Day with our students through a virtual presentation. Special thanks to Mademoiselle Labrie for co-ordinating this presentation on behalf of the school.

#### **PA Day-November 20<sup>th</sup>**

Our next professional activity day is Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. There will be no classes for students on this day.

#### **ROARS**

Congratulations to the following students who earned ROARS ribbons for Respect and Honesty during the months of September and October. Keep up the excellent work, Wildcats!

**Respect-** Carmen V., Jolene W., Ben B., Aubrey H., Avery H., John M., Hannah V., Will T., Leland W., Eli N., Layla R., Carly R., Norah P., Bret H., Kaylee C., Myra M., Chase H., Joey W., Connor L., Taylor P.,

Aubry J., Lyla R., Maddie S., Dharma B., Olive C., Cyber M., Ashton C., Scarlett T., Hayley T., River P., and Tyson S.

**Honesty**-Camryn S., Jordan W., Colby A., Kane V., Amelia M., Amelia S., Grayson I., Dryce B., Locklan G., Tessa W., Cohen R., Gavin L., Henley G., Cohen W., Robyn M., Zoe T., Jackson P., Cole C., Ian T., Natalia J., Lily L., Avery N., Henry P., Mickey P., Jace L., Liv V., Liam G., Amy D., Brielle S., Ethan M., and John D.

### **Re-Usable Water Bottles Needed Daily**

Please remember to send your child(ren) to school each day with a re-usable water bottle as our drinking fountains are not available for use due to Covid restrictions.

### **Bus Cancellations**

Just a reminder to listen to your local radio station or go to [www.schoolbusinfo.com](http://www.schoolbusinfo.com) for any bus cancellations or delays. **Our school is located in Zone 7.**

### **School Council**

Our next school council meeting will be on November 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. Congratulations to Mrs. Warriner who is our School Council Chair for 2020-2021. If you are interested in participating in this meeting, please call the school on Monday, November 9<sup>th</sup> for the access link.

### **Parent Parking Lot Concerns**

We've had some concerns shared with our office about the parent parking lot in regards to speed and smoking. To ensure compliance with the Smoke Free Ontario Act (SFOA), smoking is not permitted in all schools and on school property, plus public areas within 20m of any point of the perimeter of the school or school property. This legislation is also applicable to individuals smoking in personal vehicles on school property. We appreciate your co-operation and ask that you also please share this information with any family members/caregivers that might pick up you child(ren) at dismissal. Out of concern for our students, we respectfully also ask that parents please back into the parking lot spaces. Thank-you in advance for ensuring the well-being of our Wildcat Community.

### **LKDSB Parent Involvement Committee**

The Lambton Kent District School Board's Parent Involvement Committee is hosting an upcoming virtual event for parents/guardians featuring leadership and relationship expert and author Dr. Karyn Gordon. The presentation titled, "Building Confidence," will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 17 at 7-8:30 p.m. Pre-registration for the online event is not required. Please see information poster for this opportunity with additional details on our school and board website.

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## **Violence Threat Risk Assessment Protocol**

The Lambton Kent District School Board is committed to providing safe learning environments for all students, staff, school visitors, and community members. When a student behaves inappropriately, principals will most often employ progressive discipline strategies to help a student take responsibility for their actions, learn from their mistakes, and make better choices in the future. In more extreme cases however, when a student's behaviour poses a potential threat to their own or others' well-being, the Community Violence Threat Risk Assessment Protocol (VTRA) supports principals in taking further steps to safeguard everyone. The VTRA protocol outlines how a school responds immediately to threatening incidents including but not limited to: possession of a weapon or replica weapon, bomb threat or plan, verbal or written (including electronic) threats to harm oneself or others, other threats of violence, and fire setting. The initial response team is likely to include the Principal / Vice-Principal, police, and board staff. Should conditions warrant, a Community Threat Assessment Team will be convened. This community team includes representatives of community agencies who work with schools and boards to keep our students and staff safe, such as local police and children's mental health organizations. Parents and guardians will be notified if their child will be discussed through the Community Violence Threat Risk Assessment Protocol. If parents/guardians cannot be reached, or if they choose not to provide consent, but a concern for safety still exists due to threatening behaviour, the threat assessment may still proceed.

Link to Fair Notice Communication Regarding Violent Threat Risk Assessment Protocol:

[https://www.lkdsb.net/Pages/newsitem.aspx?ItemID=366&ListID=1cb83139-1d39-452b-8ab2-b6cfab6c2ba7&TemplateID=Announcement\\_Item](https://www.lkdsb.net/Pages/newsitem.aspx?ItemID=366&ListID=1cb83139-1d39-452b-8ab2-b6cfab6c2ba7&TemplateID=Announcement_Item)