

BURGESS BULLETIN

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H.W. Burgess Public School

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It's **October**



FROM THE OFFICE

It's October already! As we settle into our school year, we get ready to welcome cooler temperatures and all the fall colours that come with a change of seasons. Our staff and students have spent the month of September getting to know each other, learning new routines and some of the ways our school makes learning fun for Every Student, Every Day.

We've already had a few special events to kick off the 2023-2024 school year - Meet the Staff, our annual Terry Fox Run and recognizing the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Make sure you follow us on Facebook to keep abreast of the latest happenings around the school!

Important Dates

- 2nd | School Council/Home & School Meeting
- 6th | PA Day (no school)
- 9th | Thanksgiving (no school)
- 12th | Cross Country Meet
- 19th | Picture Day

School Hours

8:55 – Outdoor Supervision Begins
9:10 – Classes Start
9:10 – 11:10 – Instructional Block
11:10 – 11:50 – Recess/Nutrition Break
1:50 – 1:30 – Instructional Block
1:30 – 2:10 – Recess/Nutrition Break
2:10 – 3:30 – Instructional Block
3:30 – Dismissal



Popcorn and Milk Sales

Milk and popcorn are back! Please go to School Cash Online to purchase your sheet of 10 tickets for \$15.00. Be sure to have the student name on the tickets for tracking purposes. If you need any help with School Cash Online, please contact Mrs. Aubie who is happy to help. We offer white & chocolate milk as well as Sweet & Salty, Salt & Vinegar, Butter, White Cheddar and Dill Pickle popcorn every 1st nutrition break.

Territorial Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that the land on which our school sits and on which we gather each day is a part of the traditional territory of the Chippewa, Odawa, Potawatomi and Delaware Nations. These Indigenous Nations, known as the Anishinaabeg and Lunaapeew, agreed through their ancestral languages to the mutual sharing of the land, with obligations and responsibilities to the environment.

FRIDAY



As we look forward to a great year together, every Friday will be Bulldog Day – wear your green and white and show off your Burgess Pride!

#BULLDOGSTRONG

Spirit Wear Coming Soon!

Once again we have teamed up with Screen Art for our families to get their Spirit Wear. All sales will be done through the Screen Art store, so please watch your email for a link coming soon. Dates are being finalized and we will email our families once plans are firmed up.

School Spirit

Progress Reports & Attendance



Progress Reports will be coming home with students next month. As teachers begin to assess learning, it is important that students attend school regularly to avoid gaps in learning.

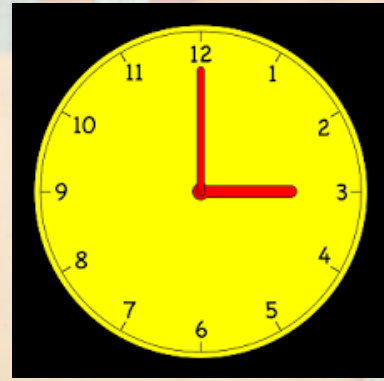
Shout Outs

A great big thank you to our Junior students who run morning announcements every day. We have an amazing group of young people who take pride in sharing the news of the day from our school office. Another shout out to our lunch monitors for our Kindergarten and Primary students. Many of our students can't wait until they're old enough to be classroom monitors! Finally, to our awesome Popcorn and Milk sales helpers - thank you for doing a wonderful job at sales! Our school takes pride in being able to offer these types of leadership opportunities to our students, so we really enjoy seeing our older kids step up and take on these responsibilities.



Early Pick Ups

If an early student pick up is required, please make arrangements by contacting our school secretary, Mrs. Aubie. We would appreciate no early pick ups after 3:00 as the front lobby and office get busy with bus lines in preparation for dismissal. Thank you!



Bus Information

During the fall we might experience some heavy fog in which there could be the potential for bus cancellations. When there are bus cancellations due to fog, buses will not run in the morning but will run in the afternoon. H.W. Burgess is in BUS ZONE 5. To check for any bus cancellations during the school year, please tune into the local radio stations or the following website: <https://schoolbusinfo.busstatus.ca/>

HALLOWEEN

As Halloween approaches, just a reminder of a few guidelines here at HW Burgess:

1. Please do not send in candy/treats/toys to the school. These items will be returned to you.
2. If students choose to wear a costume that day, please remember:
 - a. Costumes must be culturally sensitive and inclusive
 - b. Masks are not allowed at school
 - c. Weapons are not to be brought in (pretend guns, knives, swords, etc.)



WHEN IS SICK

TOO SICK

FOR SCHOOL OR CHILDCARE?



Send me, if...

I had some symptoms (cough/runny nose/sore throat) but I have been feeling much better for the last 24 hours.

I can fully participate in school activities.

I haven't taken any fever reducing medicine for 24 hours, and I haven't had a fever during that time.

I haven't thrown up or had any diarrhea for 48 hours and didn't need medicine.



Keep me home, if...

I have a temperature higher than 37.7 degrees Celsius (99.9 degrees Fahrenheit).

I have been throwing up or have had diarrhea in the last 48 hours.

My eyes are red and painful with discharge that keeps coming back during the day.

I have been having body aches, fatigue, and headaches.

I have a sore throat with a fever.

I have a harsh cough and don't feel able to participate in school activities.

I have an undiagnosed rash.



Contact a healthcare provider, if...

I have had a fever for more than two days.

I have had a sore throat and fever for several days.

I've been throwing up or have had diarrhea for more than two days.

I've had a cough for more than a week, and it isn't getting better.

I have had a fever and now have a rash.



Still have questions about whether or not your child should attend school/childcare?
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