

# Highland Happenings

Week 2: September 11th–15th, 2023



## Welcome Back to School

Hello everyone!

Well, we made it through a hot, sticky first week of school! It was so much fun watching the kids run through the sprinkler on the hot days. Students are starting to settle in and learn the routines and structures in the classroom.

If you pick your child up at the end of the day, please remember to ensure that an adult in your child's classroom has connected with you. Our top priority is the safety of all our students!

Have a great weekend,

Kerry

## Boomerang Lunch

One of the things we do at Highland Heights is to use the idea of a 'boomerang lunch'. What this means is that anything you send to school in your child's lunch also comes home. This means garbage, juice boxes etc. We try and make sure that there is anything that will make a real mess in the lunch bags, but everything else goes home. This helps cut down on garbage at school, but also helps children stay safe during the eating part of lunch.

## Lunch Helpers / Amigos

This week, we set up our Lunch Helpers and Amigos program. This is for students in grades 4-8 who are interested in helping our younger learners. Some students work in the classroom helping children open up snacks, stay seated and safe at their desks during the eating portion. Other students meet their friends outside at recess and play with them there. This is such a great way for older students to develop leadership skills and helps our younger students learn routines and structures at school. If you have a child in the older grades, ask them if they are a lunch helper!

## Student Absence Reporting

At KPR, student safety is our highest priority, and we thank families for adopting the automated Safe Arrival system to help ensure students arrive safely at school each day. If your child is going to be **absent** or **late**, please call the **Student Absence 1-844-434-8119** or go to [studentabsence.kprdsb.ca](https://studentabsence.kprdsb.ca) and set up your account.



## Safe Welcome Program

As we work to ensure the safety of all our students through the implementation of the Safe Schools Program, we are continuing to lock all our doors at 9:10 a.m. . If your child is late arriving in the



our attendance appropriately.

Just a reminder that our school has a front door security system which includes a camera and intercom connected to the school office. Please be patient if we don't answer right away.

### School Council

Our first meeting is on Sept. 11th at 6:30 pm. We will be using the WebEx platform, which you can easily use from your phone. More information will follow about this meeting. You can join the meeting by following this link:

[https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/kerry\\_zinkiewich](https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/kerry_zinkiewich)



If you are looking for a way to get involved with the school and help set directions, you might want to consider joining the Highland Heights School Council. We meet several times a year and are a fun group of parents and guardians. If you are looking for more information about what School Council is, please click on [this link](#).

### Week-At-A-Glance

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Monday Sept. 11th Day 5	Tuesday Sept. 12th Day 1	Wednesday Sept. 13th Day 2	Thursday Sept. 14th Day 3	Friday Sept. 15th Day 4
6:30 School Council Virtual Meeting				
<b>Upcoming Dates:</b> Sept. 11th- School Council Meeting Sept. 21st- Open House 6-7:30 Sept. 25th-Picture Day Sept. 28th- Truth and Reconciliation Day Sept. 29th- PA Day Oct. 16th- Bus Safety Oct. 16th- School Council Meeting Oct. 23rd- Virtual Author Visit				





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