

Highland Happenings



Week 15: Dec. 18th- 22nd, 2023

Message from the Principal

Hello everyone!

We have had a lot of sickness running through our school the last month. We've had covid, a terrible cough, a stomach bug and pink eye. We don't like sending children home during the day, but I did want to thank you for always coming and picking up your child when they are not feeling well. Being at school when you aren't feeling well isn't fun for anyone.



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Your child should stay home (self-isolate) until:

- symptoms have been improving for at least 24 hours (or 48 hours if they have had nausea, vomiting and/or diarrhea) **and**
- you do not have a fever **and**
- you do not develop any additional symptoms

This is just a good reminder to do your part to keep everyone healthy at school.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Kerry

Winter Solstice Gathering

On Wednesday, please consider joining us outside for our Winter Solstice Gathering. We will enjoy some carols, watch some classes perform and enjoy some hot chocolate. We will start at 2:30, please gather on the pavement by the school and listen as some classes entertain us. **At the end of the gathering, please ensure your child's teacher has seen you take your child home.**

Countdown to the Holiday Break (Starting December 11th)

Don't forget our Spirit Days this week - kids can wear: Red and White Stripes, and Ugly Sweater, Red, Black and Green, Festive Socks and PJs. It's so much fun to see how creative our students (and adults!) can be.



Spirit Days



Food Drive - A Message from Grade 5/6 Students:

Students in Mrs. Hipgrave's grade 5/6 class are collecting food drive donations in support of Kawartha Food Share. The food drive will run from **Monday, December 4th to Wednesday, December 20th, 2023**. If you would like to help, you can bring non-perishable food items such as cans, boxes, packages, jars, or toiletries to our school. Thank you for helping our community!

Peterborough Family Health Team - Programs and Workshops



Did you know that the Peterborough Family Health Team offers programs and workshops? You can check out what they offer here: <https://www.peterboroughfht.com/programs-and-workshops> You can register by calling the office at 705-740-8020

Please read the message from Adam Scott:

We are looking forward to meeting you and your child in the first week back from holidays in January.

*Save the Date: Please see the attached information about Adam Scott CVI's Open House & Incoming Grade 9 Parent Night on **Thurs. Jan. 11, 2024 from 6:00-7:30 pm.***

Vocabulary Word of the Week

Our Mystery word hints this week were:

- The **Mystery Word** is an eleven letter adjective that begins with a 'c'. This word describes something difficult to understand.
- It is similar to *intricate, involved and difficult*
- It is not similar to *easy or simple*
- It makes sense in this sentence "The math problem was so _____ , the entire class worked together to find a solution."

Do you have any guesses as to what the word might be? Ask your child if you are right!

Week-At-A-Glance



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Monday Dec.18th Day 2	Tuesday Dec. 19th Day 3	Wednesday Dec. 20th Day 4	Thursday Dec. 21st Day 5	Friday Dec. 22nd Day 1	
Spirit Day: Wear Red and White	Spirit Day: Ugly Sweater	Spirit Day: Wear Red, Black and Green Winter Solstice Gathering 2:30	Spirit Day: Festive Socks	Spirit Day: PJ Day	
Upcoming Dates: Dec. 20th - Winter Solstice Gathering 2:30-3:15 outside Dec 23rd- January 7th - Winter Holidays					



Gratitude

Thank you for those of you who have filled out the gratitude survey. I've been copying them and sharing them with the staff on a bulletin board. Please continue to share those with me so that I can help the staff understand just how much they are appreciated! You can use this [google form](#) to share it with me.



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