



DR. EMILY STOWE P.S.

May 2024

“Soaring to Victory”

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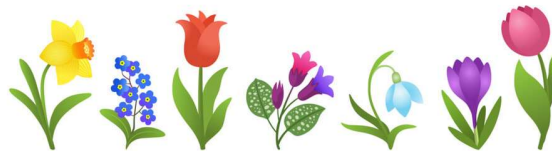
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

As we enter Spring, there are many activities scheduled for our school. I look forward to the school Fun Fair and connecting with parents. Our Grades 3 and 6 teachers are also preparing for EQAO which will occur the week of June 3rd to 7th. We will be sending information home regarding EQAO to the families whose students will be completing the assessment this year. Grade 8 parents have also been provided information regarding our Grade 8 Graduation trip and ceremony. We will also be welcoming next year's Junior Kindergarten students and their families at our JK orientation night in May. Plans for our school Track and Field Meet and Play Day are currently under way. This is the busiest time of the school year, which provides a lot of fun and excitement for our students. I look forward to connecting with you at one of the many events that will be taking place at the school.

Sincerely,

Mr. Bryan Beers



School Council

Hello Stowe Families,

I hope everyone had a fantastic April!

We are well on our way with plans for this year's fun fair. By now you will have received information home!! It will be held on May 15th from 4pm - 7:00pm. So please save the date! If anyone has a valid police check with the school and would be interested in volunteering at the fun fair please email colleensmiles1@gmail.com

Healthy Hunger is running very well! We are working on a plan to improve our outdoor area at Stowe with the funds raised. If you haven't signed up yet be sure to sign up at www.healthyhunger.ca to order your child's lunches.



KAWARTHA PINE RIDGE
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Healthy Hunger message – in order to ensure the smooth distribution of our daily hot lunches, if your child is expecting a hot lunch and did not receive it, it is extremely important that they either tell a teacher on duty or come to the office to have the list doublechecked. If your child is absent on a particular day that hot lunch has been ordered for them, you are welcome to contact the office and pick up their lunch. Pizza is not kept for anyone not in attendance (unless prearrangements have been made), but as the remainder of the week's lunches are individually labelled, they are kept in the fridge. We try our best to ensure that those lunches are handed out the next day, but would also appreciate if you could remind your child (or teacher if in kindergarten) to come pick up from the office. After 2 days, unclaimed lunches are disposed of.

For anyone interested in attending, our next meeting will be held on Monday, May 27th at 5:30 in the library.

Colleen Smiles, Chair
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Character in the School

May's Character Attribute

Optimism

I have a positive attitude. I see challenges as opportunities. I think, and act to make the world a better place. I have hope for the future.



Gr. 8 Fundraisers

Thank you to all who supported our pizza night with Domino's. 48 pizzas were purchased that night, so we are expecting a cheque for \$240! The grade 8s appreciate everyone's generosity.

We were also successful with the sale of Krispy Kreme Donuts, having sold 160 boxes. Sincere thank you to some of the ladies from council for helping with organization.

Thank you for your support of our Grade 8 students!



We congratulate Logan Tenwesteneind from Mrs. Luke-Hewitt's class as recipient of the Clarington Student of Character Award. The Student of Character Awards recognize one student in each school who consistently demonstrates the qualities of good character. These are students who consistently demonstrate empathy, fairness, respect and responsibility in relationships and decision-making in a consistent effort to their studies. A ceremony will take place in May at Clarington Central Secondary School to recognize all Clarington winners. A plaque will also be awarded at grade eight graduation on June 24th.

Intermediate Badminton

Thank you to the Intermediate Badminton Team for doing such a great job representing Stowe on April 17th at the Badminton Tournament. There were many very close games. The team played extremely well. The highlight of the tournament was both coaches and parents from other schools congratulating all team members on their exceptional sportsmanlike behaviour and how well the students represented our school. Logan S. and Ryker W., the boys double team, will represent our school at KPREAA in May. Congratulations to all team members.

Team members include Briar I., Logan T., Maiya E., Dru S., Ryker W., Lawson W., Logan S. and Mateo E.



Coaches Ms. Jackson and Mme. Chartrand

Gymnastics

We are so proud of our Gymnastics Team for their incredible performance on April 25th at the KPR Meet! They represented our school so well, showing kindness and courtesy to all athletes and coaches at the meet, as well as finding great successes in their individual routines. Congratulations to Olivia, Hadley and Amelia for receiving gold in their Grade 6 advanced division! Team members include Emery P., Claire L., Leyah D., Maddy H., Lily A., Olivia S., Celeste D-B., Anjali J., Penelope S., Ava M., Charly B., Irelyn C., Ava S., Ema C., Hadley I., Olivia W., Amelia S., Emma F., Rylee B., Mara G., and Mahum S.



Coaches Ms. Scott, Ms. Reynolds & Ms. Usher

SOLES4SOULS

Thank you to all who have contributed gently used shoes for families in need. A huge shout out to our amazing Stowe community with our Soles4Souls fundraiser ran by Teen Talk! On behalf of the group we can't thank you enough. Our final count for shoes was a whopping 343 pairs being send over to Dominican!.



Mrs. Zerafa & Ms. Brouse

TAMI Summit

TAMI (Talking About Mental Illness) Coalition is a group of community partners with a shared mission and purpose.

We as a team Connor, Esmay, Faith and myself have some really amazing ideas to help Dr. Emily Stowe join the fight to Stomp out Mental Health Stigma after attending the TAMI Summit at Ontario Shores on April 4th.

We had the pleasure of having Paul Ranger as a key note speaker to tell us his story. He provided lots of great strategies and tools he uses to strengthen his mental health. He has since quit hockey and is focusing on going back to school to become a psychotherapist to be able to help other people who may be struggling with their mental health.



Here is his story. Paul D. Ranger is a Canadian former professional ice hockey defenceman. He most recently served as an assistant coach for the Ontario Tech University of the U Sports.

[Wikipedia](#)

<https://youtu.be/7y2sc6Olz6c>

Robyn Brouse, CYW

THANK YOU

During National Volunteer Week (April 14-20), we have been offering thanks to the many incredible volunteers who make a positive impact, share their passion for education, and support KPR students in so many ways!



In honour of the recent National Volunteer Week, Trustees recognized school volunteers with Accolade awards during their Board meeting on April 30th. The recipients were among a host of individuals nominated by schools throughout KPR for the time, effort and dedication they share on behalf of students. The Board lauded these individual volunteers, with Director of Education Rita Russo sharing remarks noted below for one of our star volunteers:

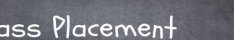
Lisa Schertzer – Dr. Emily Stowe Public School

Lisa is recognized as a longstanding volunteer and integral part of the school community at Dr. Emily Stowe Public School. Supporting a wide range of activities and events at the school, her contributions have included participating on School Council, running Scholastic Book Fairs, handing out pizza lunches, helping with the annual Fun Fair, and supporting various fundraising initiatives, among many others, over the past 10 years!



Class Placements For 2024-2025



 **Class Placement Update**

We have received our preliminary staffing numbers for next year. When it comes time for the placement of students in classes for next year, the following criteria will be used: classes will be balanced by academic, social, peer compatibility, number, and gender factors in order to ensure a balanced group. Using our professional judgment, these groupings will be ultimately decided by the sending and receiving teachers and administration. With the above information in mind and understanding there will be staffing changes due to grade assignments, transfers, leaves of absence transfers, etc. Most of these changes typically occur in late June, over the summer, or into the Fall depending on when final staffing is in place.

Mental Health Week May 6-10, 2024



A friendly reminder that Mental Health Week is May 6-10.

Mental health is often thought of as only being applicable to the 1 in 5 people who experience mental illness. The reality is that 5 in 5 people have mental health, and everyone needs to be a part of the conversation. **We ALL have mental health.**

Please see the following link to [School Mental Health Ontario](#). This website contains supportive information for Educators, Students and Parents/Caregivers depending on the needs of your school community. Some examples of activities to support mental health and wellbeing during mental health week and beyond may include:

- Encouraging educators and students to go for a nature walk in the community.
- Encourage students to share positive messages/affirmations.
- Encourage students to reflect on 3 positive things that happened that day. Students can share this or write in their journal.
- Incorporate an active team game into physical activity time to encourage students to connect and work together.



Moving This Summer?

If you know that your child(ren) will not be attending Dr. Emily Stowe in September please notify the office as soon as possible, to help us better prepare for the new school year.

No Dogs, Please and Thank you!

For the safety of our children please do not bring your dogs on school property, especially during entrance and dismissal times. Thank you for your support!



Fire Drill and Lockdown Practices



Spring is also a time when we review our fire drill and lockdown procedures. If you are at the school during either a fire drill or lockdown practice, please be patient as they take only a few minutes to complete, but they are very important to the overall safety of staff and students. In the event of a lockdown practice, the secretary will not be at her desk to admit you to the building or answer the phone. A notice informing visitors that we are practicing a lockdown will be posted on the front doors of the school.

POPCORN, POPCORN, POPCORN



Popcorn will be sold every Friday during first break for \$2 a bag by the Grade 8s. Exact change preferred.

Absence Reporting

At Dr. Emily Stowe, the safety of our students is first and foremost. Our Absence Reporting System allows you to report an absence 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 1-844-434-8119 or register at studentabsence.kprdsb.ca or download the app (available through your app store). If late, please remind your child to report to the office on their way to class, so we can record that they have arrived safely. Thank you!





If you mention Dr. Emily Stowe before your items are scanned through, 10% of sales comes back to the school! Show your support for your school!

Board News

2024/25 Elementary Virtual School

KPR offers an elementary (K-8) virtual school option, which is primarily intended for students who learn best in the online environment or require a virtual environment due to underlying medical conditions for themselves or their family members. The purpose of [this survey](#) is to gather information from families who are interested in enrolling their child(ren) in the elementary (K-8) virtual school option next year (2024-2025). If this applies to your family, for September 2024, please complete one survey per child, prior to May 3, 2024, to help inform our planning for the 2024-2025 school year.

STSCO Busing Opt-in Period for 2024-2025 School Year

THIS MAY APPLY FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 9.

Starting for the 2024-2025 school year, STSCO, which oversees busing in Peterborough, Northumberland and Clarington, is introducing a new “opt-in” program that will require families to confirm their children’s intent to ride the school bus if they are eligible for transportation. Messaging about opting-in has been shared directly by STSCO with all eligible families.

For more information on the opt-in process, visit the [STSCO website](#). The opt-in deadline is May 31, 2024.

Faceless Dolls Project

James Brake, Superintendent of Education: Indigenous Education, noted that throughout the 2023/24 school year, Indigenous Education Department staff have been raising awareness about Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two Spirit People with the Indigenous students they support. As part of the Faceless Dolls Project, students have made many dolls to contribute to a system art exhibit that honours and acknowledges the value of women and the diversity within and among First Nations, Inuit and Métis women, girls and 2SLGBTQIA+ people. The exhibit has been installed in the foyer at the Education Centre.



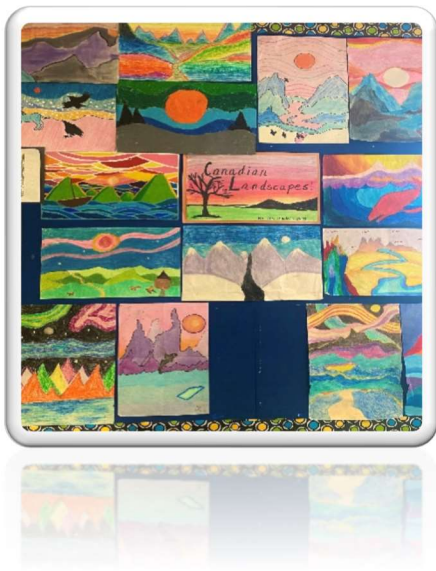
FUN FAIR ORDERS!

To avoid any disappointment please be sure to pre order through school cash online.
The deadline to order is **May 10th**.

Burger and drink \$6 |
Veggie burger and drink \$6
Hotdog and drink \$5
Game cards \$5

Tickets for pre-ordered items will be sent home with your child on May 13th.

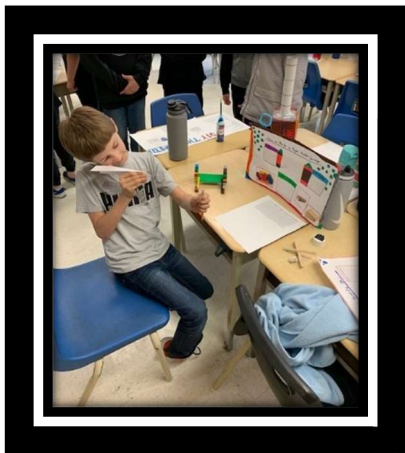
WALKING THE HALLS AT STOWE....



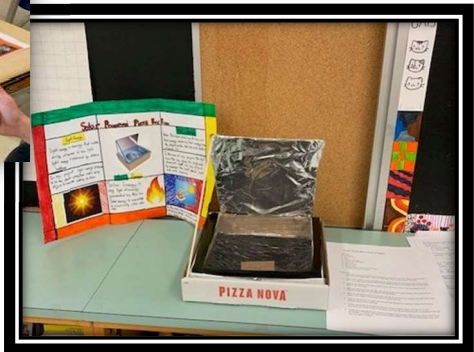
Ms. Papaleo's class



Mrs. Luke-Hewitt's Stars



Sample of Mr. Fulford's Energy Projects



May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		May 1st is 	1 KPREAA Badminton 	2 	3 	
5 -Education Week -Canadian Mental Health Week -Red Dress Day	6 	7 Track & Field 	8 	9 	10 	
12 	13 	14 	15 Fun Fair 4-7 pm 	16 	17 	
19	20 Victoria Day	21 	22 Kinder Orientation 	23 	24 	
26	27 School Council 5:30 p.m. 	28 	29 29-31 Gr 8 Trip 	30 	31 	