

#### DR. EMILY STOWE P.S.

**June 2018** 

## "Where Children Grow"

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#### Principal's Message

Dear Parents / Guardians,

It is impossible to imagine that we are already entering into the month of June! We continue to keep busy learning, and have fun while we do it. We look forward to our Fun Fair that will take place June 5th from 5 – 8 p.m. If you are able to help us out by volunteering, please reach out to Wendy Roman at <a href="wendyroman2@gmail.com">wendyroman2@gmail.com</a>. Thank you to the School Council for organizing this event and thank you to the many families who have contributed Jazzy Bags, items for prizes and who continue to provide items for baskets. We look forward to seeing you at this exciting event!

At this time, we also wish to thank Dawn Chappell for her contribution to Dr. Emily Stowe. She has volunteered countless hours and has been the recent Chair of our School Council. As she will no longer have children at our school, she will not be on our Council next year. We hope she will still come to volunteer when she can. We are grateful for the great deal of support she has provided to Dr. Emily Stowe for many years that has positively contributed to school life and student learning. We will be recognizing her along with our student Character Award winners on Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. (Primary) and 9:30 a.m. (Junior/Intermediate).

As the temperature outside begins to climb, we need to remind students of some safety rules while spending time outside on the playground. Students are reminded not to have **food or drink** on the yard as this **attracts bees**. We have students and staff at Dr. Emily Stowe who have serious reactions to bee stings. In addition, applying sunscreen is encouraged to prevent sunburn and a hat can also help keep the sun away from heads and faces.

As the warm weather approaches, we want everyone to dress comfortably but we also expect clothing to be appropriate for a school setting. This **dress code** applies to **all staff and students.** We ask guests to the school to respect the dress code as well. Volunteers in the building must adhere to these guidelines.

- \*shorts may be worn, but they need to be of proper length and fit (fingertip rule)
- \*tank tops may be worn if the shoulder straps are wide enough to cover undergarments (3 adult finger rule)
- \*clothing that exposes the midriff is inappropriate
- \*boys are to wear a shirt or t-shirt at all times
- \*clothing with offensive slogans and pictures or that promote substance use and/or smoking are not permitted at school.

Please know that the dress code is in place to keep our students safe.

Sincerely, Mme Haley-Twiss



# Absence Reporting

At Dr. Emily Stowe, the safety of our students is first and foremost. We have a Absence Reporting System so that you may 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 your child arrives late, please remind him or her to report to the office on their way to class, so we can record that your child has arrived safely. Thank you!

## School Lunches through Healthy Hunger

Domino's Pizza is offered Mondays, Subway on Tuesdays and Pita Pit on Thursdays.

If you haven't signed up, there is a link on the school website.



# Character in the School June Attribute

#### Perseverance

I finish what I start, even when it is difficult. I do not give up even when faced with challenges or obstacles. I complete all tasks and assignments to the best of my ability.

## **School Council**

Update From the School Council - June 2018

As we head into the last month of the school year, the School Council is busy planning this year's Fun Fair. Thank you to everyone who has sent in prizes, Jazzy Bags, basket raffle items, or who has just volunteered their time. The Fun Fair could not be a success without you. We are always looking for volunteers to help out on Fun Fair night as well. Please come out! Hope to see everyone there!

Please continue to order our lunch program through *Healthy Hunger*. It will be available right up to the end of June. Also please continue to mention Stowe when shopping at *M&M Food Market* at King and Townline. A portion of your purchase from both of these programs comes back to the school.

The next school council meeting will be in September to dissolve the current council and form the new one. Please watch for notices coming home.

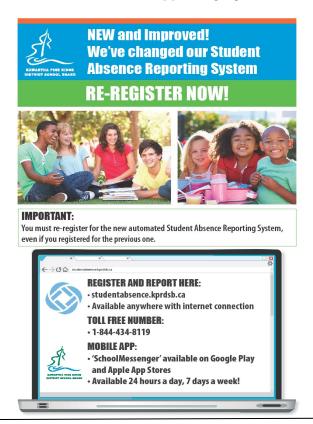
Have a great summer!

Dawn Chapell, School Council Chair

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## **Safe Arrival**

Instructions have come home about our new Absence Reporting System, to begin **Wednesday**, **June 13th**. Phone number and app changing!



# **Report Cards**

Report cards will be coming home **on June 27th (Gr. 8s on June 26)**. **Please return page 3** from the report card by **June 29th**. This response form recognizes that parents play a critical role in the education of their children. Your expectations, ways of solving problems and guidance affect the student's work and attitudes at school. If you include information on this page about things that really helped your child his year, we can often use that information to continue to assist your child in the future.

## **Pedal for Hope**

Thank you to every one who participated in the Pedal for Hope events and fundraised on their own! As a school, we raised \$2,261.70. Big congratulations to Hailey F., Aurelia F. and Tyler O. for being our top individual fundraisers. An extra congratulations to Mrs. Bryson's class who was the top fundraising class in the school! Way to go Emily Stowe!

Ms. Morton and Ms. Morallee



#### **ETeam**

In May the ETeam met with an Eco Schools representative to talk about our various accomplishments this year. The representative was very impressed with all of our efforts as a school to get involved and support environmental causes, including our new pollinator patch. We are waiting to hear whether we made it to gold this year. Stay tuned!.

Our gardens are growing some colour this spring in an effort to support the pollinators! May 8 was a bright and sunny day to get our "Pollinator Patch" started. Students in Mrs. Bryson's and Mrs. Skelding's classes paired up and cleaned out the front garden by the main doors. The Gr. 1's and 2's had researched various plants known to attract bees and butterflies. The next time you pass by, check on our chives, lavendar, pinks and yellow tickseed. As a special project, Mrs. McCaffrey and Miss Morton's class planted seeds in the shady garden by the daycare doors. If you can help us maintain the gardens over the hot, dry summer months by either weeding or watering, we'd be happy to have your assistance. Check our school's Twitter feed for further updates, photos and an announcement on our Eco Schools status.

Mrs. Skelding

## Track & Field

Congratulations to all students who competed in the track and field meet at the Oshawa Civic Fields on May 10<sup>th</sup>. We had approximately 70 students from grades 4-8 compete to represent Stowe!

Grade 8 boys Ryan S. placed 4<sup>th</sup> in long jump, and Jayden D. placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in triple jump and 5<sup>th</sup> in long jump. The grade 7 girls running relay team came 3<sup>rd</sup> with Brooke C., Brooke A., Emma R., and Lauren G. Congratulations to Brooke A. who placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100 metres and 4<sup>th</sup> in long jump. Lauren G. placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 200 metres, and Alyssa C. placed 5<sup>th</sup> in the 1500 metres. Grade 6 girls Jade W. placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 200 metres and Ella M. placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 400 metres, 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 1500 metres, and 6<sup>th</sup> in the triple jump. Congratulations to grade 5 student Ayana H. who placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the triple jump. Grade 4 girls Reese C. placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in long jump and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 100 and 200 metre runs, and Hannah C. placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 800 metre run. Taylor S. placed 6<sup>th</sup> in shotput. Great job again to all who participated!

The students moving onto the Peterborough KPREAA to compete in their events are Jayden D., Reese C., Ayana H., Jade W., Ella M., Brooke A., Emma R., Lauren G., and Brooke C.. Wish them luck!

Ms. Taylor and Ms. Morrallee



# Help your child get the sleep they need:

Children aged 5-13 years need 9-11 hours of quality sleep each night. Teenagers (ages 14-17) need 8-10 hours. Help your child get the sleep they need:

-set a consistent bedtime and wake-time (even on weekends) -create a relaxing bedtime routine, that

includes reading, taking a bath or listening to music

-set up a sleeping space that is cool, dark and quiet

-keep the TV, electronics and cell phones out of your child's bedroom; they interfere with natural sleep cycles

If your child has difficulties staying asleep, talk to your doctor or healthcare provider.



# POPCORN, POPCORN, POPCORN

Popcorn will be sold every Friday during first break for \$1 a bag. Please remember to send your loonies and help support the Grade 8s with their graduation ceremony expenses.



The scented hand sanitizers are particularly strong and are causing difficulty for some staff. Please encourage your students to leave these at home since we are considered a scent-free school.

#### WARM WEATHER AT LAST!!!



It is now the time of year to consider the harmful effects of UV radiation on exposed skin. Our students are outside for 20 minutes at a time which is ample time to damage their skin from exposure to the harmful effects of UV rays. Please reinforce the importance of covering up as much as possible and to make use of sun screen and/or sun block products.



Every year the Dr. Emily Stowe Community supports many worthwhile es. Most recently, Stowe staff and students joined in with our community partner, the YMCA, for a fund raising walk on Thursday, May 24<sup>th</sup>. On behalf of the YMCA, they would like thank you for all of your donations as they directly support many projects such as sending needy kids to camp. The Y was able to raise over \$1,000.

## **School Cash Online**

Still not sure how to access School Cash Online? See the attached instructions. The Board is encouraging more and more use of School Cash Online to streamline the finance portion. Thank you for your assistance in this regard.

# **Student Epi-pens/Puffers/Medications**

Parents are asked to come into the school either on the last day (June 28th), or the following week to pick up any EPI-PENS/PUFFERS/MEDICATION that may be in the office. Paperwork for the 2018-2019 school year will be sent home with your child this month.

Does your child have a medical concern/allergy that the school is not aware of? Please let us know as soon as possible so that we can send home the appropriate forms to be completed over the summer so we have it ready for September.

## **Grade 8s**

On Tuesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm, our grade 8 graduates will be celebrating the completion of their year at a ceremony held at our school. After the ceremony there will be a dance hosted by a DJ. We want to wish all of our grade 8 students all the best and much success in their future!



## **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.

#### **Dress Code**

As the temperature becomes warmer we would like to remind parents to make sure that their child is dressed according to our dress code expectations outlined in the student agenda. We appreciate your support to ensure that the clothing the students wear displays no offensive messages, symbols or pictures. Alcohol, drug, and tobacco advertisements are deemed inappropriate. Some tank/tube or halter tops are too revealing and are not considered suitable. For instance, spaghetti strap tops are considered to be inappropriate at school, as are tops that are cut extremely low or ones that expose a student's midriff or undergarments/bra straps. By the same token, pants and shorts must be worn at waist level, to avoid falling down. Skirts and shorts must be longer than fingers when arms are hanging straight down the sides. Students should dress cleanly and neatly in a manner that allows them to participate fully in all school activities. Outdoor clothing, including hats and caps, are stored on hallway racks.



## Do You Want to Volunteer Next Fall?

The Board requires all of our volunteers to have a current police reference check completed. This check, which can be completed at Durham Regional Police or the OPP must include a vulnerable sector search. It can take between six to ten weeks to receive a return statement. This statement is then brought to the school to "clear" you for participation in school volunteer work. All volunteers must have completed this entire process in order to be considered for volunteer work at the school. By starting now, you will allow enough time for the process to be completed and neither you nor your child needs to be disappointed. Police reference checks are only good for 1 year. If you have one but it was completed over a year ago we will require and updated one. You can pick up a volunteer letter from our office to start the process. Please allow yourself enough time to complete this process should you wish to volunteer.

#### **Classes For Next Year**

Tentative teacher assignments have been determined and the next step will involve the building of classes. Much discussion and careful consideration goes into this process. As always, we will make every effort to balance classes according to gender, ability and student needs. Please understand therefore, that requests for specific teachers cannot be accommodated.

#### Wanted: your input

KPR is reviewing our policy on volunteers, and would like your input by June 30. To see the recommended policy and leave comments online, please visit the link on our home page at kprschools.ca. All schools also have paper copies for those who do not have Internet access. If you require an alternative format for review and comment, please call 705-742-9773 or toll-free 1-877-741-4577 ext. 2001, and we will be happy to accommodate you.



#### MABEL'S LABELS FUNDRAISER

Dr. Emily Stowe is excited to announce that we have once again partnered with Mabel's Labels in a wonderful fundraising initiative. If you purchase labels for your child's belongings for camp or 'back to school', please consider using Mabel's Labels, as our school will receive 20% of all orders placed through the school.

Thank you for your support!



# Lost and Found

Please pass by the Lost and Found located outside the gym doors to claim any unclaimed items or clothing by the end of June (june 29th).

Please note that any items unclaimed by the end of June will be given to charity.





#### Watch For It

We will be sending out one more newsletter before the end of the school year, watch for it!





#### SchoolCashOnline

For safety and efficiency reasons, Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board would like to reduce the amount of cash & checks coming into our school. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying ONLINE! It takes less than 5 minutes to register. Follow these step-by-step instructions to begin to receive email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child(ren).

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the SUPPORT option in the top right hand corner of the screen.

#### Step 1: Register

- a) If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page <a href="https://kprdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">https://kprdsb.schoolcashonline.com/</a> and select the "Get Started Today" option.
- b) Complete each of the three Registration Steps \*For Security Reasons your password, requires 8 characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.

#### Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and *School Cash Online* account. The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.

#### Step 3: Find Student

This step will connect your children to your account.
a) Enter the School Board Name.

- b) Enter the School Name.
- c) Enter Your Child's First Name, Last Name and Birth Date.
- d) Select Continue.
- e) On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select Continue.
- f) Your child has been added to your account.

# Paying school items just got easier! Sign up to get started today.





#### Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" and repeat the steps above. 8 children can be added to one parent account. If you do not wish to add additional children, select "View Items For Students" option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

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School Cash Online – Parent Registration

# Pride Month at Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board The History of the Pride Flag The first rainbow flag was designed in 1978 by Gilbert Baker, a San Francisco artist. Baker used the five-striped "Flag of the Race" as his inspiration, and designed a flag with eight stripes: plnk, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet. When Baker tried to get the flags mass-produced, he found out that "hot pink" was not commercially available. The flag was then reduced to seven stripes. The indigo stripe was later dropped and the flag assumed the final form we use today. The Symbolism behind the Pride Flag HEALING SUNLIGHT

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