

# DR. EMILY STOWE P.S.

November 2019

#### "Soaring to Victory"

#### Principal's Message

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

This month we recognize Courage. We remember those who have gone before us who have demonstrated courage in many ways. We also take time to recognize the important work that our soldiers are currently doing around the world today. November is busy with Remembrance Day activities. Please take advantage of Jimmy Chapman's Remembrance Day presentation and memorabilia display on November 6<sup>th</sup>. You are welcome to join us. Details are included in the body of our newsletter.

Big Brothers and Sisters is active in our school. They offer an in-school mentoring program. If you think your child would benefit from this service, please speak to your child's teacher. As a team, we determine the suitability of the program and matches made for students. A "Go Girls!" program will soon be under way with our Intermediate students. We are looking forward to a new opportunity to learn and lead together. These students will play an important role in our Junior Well-being Conference to be held April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Finally, we continue our endeavour to educate students and parents about Human Trafficking in the Courtice area, in partnership with Durham Victim Services. Last year our parent information session was positively received, with a full gym of parents from across the region and highlighted on CTV News. This information is riveting and vital to protect our children. We are offering another session that will include testimony from a parent of a child who was trafficked, on **Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** We will be inviting all parents in the Clarington Community to attend. Former students will be a part of this mission and we have applied for a grant of \$15,000 from the Royal Bank that we should hear about soon. We are hopeful these funds will help us to promote awareness and student safety with respect to the issues of Human Trafficking. Please join us on November 27<sup>th</sup> for this event.

Sincerely, Mme Haley-Twiss

#### School Council

Thank you to all members of the Stowe community who supported our Fresh from the Farm fundraiser! We were able to raise close to 500 that will be put towards some outdoor equipment, including a music wall for the kindergarten area. Our poinsettia fundraiser forms have gone home and are due back Nov  $11^{\text{th}}$ . Orders will be available for pick-up on Friday December  $6^{\text{th}}$  starting at 6:00 pm in the library.

Our Healthy Hunger fundraiser has been doing incredibly well this year, especially with the addition of Booster Juice! Keep those orders coming!!

There are a few vendor tables still available for the Christmas Market if anyone in the Stowe community is interested in purchasing one. Please contact the Christmas Market

Committee at <u>emilystowechristmasmarket@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions or are looking to become a vendor. More info will be coming out later this month about how you can help support the market - which will be held on Friday December 6<sup>th</sup> from 5-9pm.

For anyone interested in attending, our next meeting will be held on Tuesday November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 pm in the library and childcare is available. All council information is posted on the bulletin board across from the office, including upcoming council meeting dates and minutes from the meetings.

Jackie Hester, Chair soccer147@yahoo.com

## **Character in the School**

#### November's Character Attribute

#### Courage

I face challenges directly. I speak up for myself and others even when it may be unpopular. I ask for help when necessary. I recognize risks and dangers and do not take unwise chances to please others.



# Rugby

A hearty congratulations goes out to the Junior Girls flag rugby team, who had a great showing at the tournament on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. Chloe K., Devon S., Eden B., Hailey W., both Hannah Cs, Mathilda F., Mia P., Reese C., and Sydney R. demonstrated excellent team work, did a great job working together on the pitch, and supported one another. Well done!

Also, congratulations go out to our Junior Boys flag rugby team, who also played hard for their six matches. Good work goes out to Ben H., Ben St., Callum R., Jackson C., Charlie B., Emmy B., Evan B., Jayden S., Josh M., and Kieran H. Great job boys!

Many thanks to all of our athletes for their hard work, and sportsmanship, in both victory and defeat.

Congratulations to our Intermediate Boys and Girls Rugby teams for playing so well on October 25<sup>th</sup> with sportsmanship and determination. They represented Stowe incredibly well. The girls team members were Micheala D., Ella M., Jade W., Kamshayaa T., Eleni C., Ashley P., Harper M., Halayna E., Leah P., and Claire B. Intermediate boys were Tyler O., Elijah F., Colin P., Wesley V., David B., Hariz S., Logan M., Emerson R., Tyus S., Ethan C., C.J. S., and Henry B.

Ms. Jackson, Mr. Harper, Mr. Roberts







#### ETeam

#### Waste Reduction Week at Stowe

#### Oct. 21 – 25

We collected lots of garbage and recycling from all of the classrooms and checked what was in them and how much they weighed. We made posters and announcements to encourage students to sort their waste and bring home their compost. We gave a Recycle Ralph poster to Mrs. Harding's class because they had a great poster for what goes where. We have a lot of work to do to improve.

This is how we can do better:

- bring home food to compost
- teach younger students how to sort their waste
- make posters for classrooms
- rinse out containers before recycling

Riley, Jumana, Ilyas

# **Head Lice**

The first head lice visit was a success! Lice Zapper commended our school on cleanliness, and good manners too! They were very impressed as to how the students conducted themselves. We will have another visit scheduled just after Christmas and possibly another after March Break. If you have not made your \$4.00 contribution per student, you may still do so with School Cash Online. Thank you to everyone for your cooperation regarding this matter.

Please note that for students who require treatment, tea tree oil in large concentrations can be toxic for young children and are not proven to be effective. The lice treatment "Resultz" is the best on the market. All lice treatments are now covered under OHIP for children if there is a prescription from the doctor. The local organization "One Step Ahead" is recommended as a resource for families and is covered if they are on ODSP.

Call Lice Zapper if you have any questions. Their number is 905-985-9293 if needed. Families are to follow up with a second treatment after 7-10 days (unless they see live lice and they treat right away).

# **Bullying Awareness Week**

The Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board has designated November 18 – 21 as Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week. We maintain this focus all year long with announcements, presentations for our students and embed this into our school culture. We uphold the values represented in our Character Traits, including fairness, honesty, trust, responsibility, respect, courage, integrity, perseverance, kindness and optimism.

# **Remembrance Day**



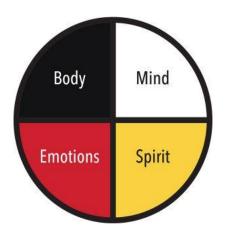
Dr. Emily Stowe will be hosting a Remembrance Day Assembly, on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. At this time, we show our respect for all those who have lost their lives serving our country and honour those who continue to protect our freedom. We look forward to this special assembly. Poppies will be provided to all and **donations will be accepted on behalf of the Royal Canadian Legion**. The assembly will begin at 10:00 a.m. Please note that this ceremony will include all staff and students together at the same time. This brings us close to our legal capacity. **Please contact the office if you would like to join us, as space for guests will be limited.** 

This year's guest speaker is Sargeant Jeff Elo of the Ontario Regiment. He is nearing the completion of 29 years of service in the Canadian Armed Forces. Sargeant Elo is employed as a Signaller, which is a title used for members of the military who specialize in communications and electronics. He spoke to students on **November 1** about Remembrance Day.

Jimmy Chapman has many talents and will be joining us on **November 6<sup>th</sup>** as he presents war memorabilia and important stories about Canadians during the two World Wars. Intermediate students will be invited during our first block, from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Juniors from 11:30 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. and Primary students between 1:40 and 3:00 p.m. He will fill the gym with twenty tables of artifacts and displays. We look forward to this very moving presentation. **All are invited to join us on this day.** 



## **Lakefield Singers**



As part of Indigenous People's Awareness Month, students from Lakefield will be joining us on November 21<sup>st</sup> to share their drumming, singing and Ingenious teachings from the Ojibwe Nation. We look forward to our learning together.



# **Raz Kids**



Let's keep working together to improve literacy! We have renewed our subscriptions for all Kindergarten to Grade 3 students to have the opportunity to develop their literacy skills through an online reading program called RAZ Kids. This program features hundreds of interactive, leveled eBooks for your child to read on your home computer, tablet or mobile device. Please contact your child's teacher for usernames and passwords.

With each book, there are three steps:

• First, the book can be read aloud to you and your child by the program. This gives your child a chance to listen to the text, familiarize themselves with unfamiliar vocabulary and build their confidence as they get ready to read it independently.

Second, once your child is ready, they can independently read the book aloud, and record their voice as they read it. After recording, children love hearing their recorded voices read the book back to them, which is motivating and gives them yet another opportunity to practice the book. After your child has finished recording their voice reading the book independently, they also have the option of sending that recording to their teacher.
Finally, there is a comprehension quiz that tests your child's understanding of the text.

If you are unsure of the correct level (just right book) please contact your child's teacher. Once they have chosen a book, go through the three steps above. Reading a handful of levelled books each week will make a huge difference in your child's reading.

If your child is in Grades 5-8 and you believe he or she could benefit from an account, please contact your child's teacher.

Thank you to School Council for supporting this endeavour!

## Parking and Kiss n' Ride at Dr. Emily Stowe



The Municipality Bylaw officer has been around to Dr. Emily Stowe and surrounding area. They will be monitoring the parking at the front of our building and side streets. Please be advised that we are not allowed to get out of our cars if in the Kiss n' Ride program. **There are still students and parents exiting to the left of the vehicle, making this very dangerous.** When participating in the Kiss n' Ride program, pull up to the furthest location, closest to the

Kindergarten area. **Students will exit out of the right-hand side of the car to be safe.** Once students have left the vehicle, please leave immediately as there are others waiting.

When parking at Dr. Emily Stowe, we are not permitted to leave our cars parked at the front of the building where the No Parking zone is indicated. Please park in the parking lot. If you need to leave your vehicle for any reason, you must park in our parking lot.

Overall, we are considered to be a WALKING school (no buses). Please encourage your child to walk to school for healthy physical activity and to reduce our impact on the environment. There are bike and scooter racks available and we intend to repurpose our old blue racks so they can be useful again. We thank you in advance for choosing these suitable methods of transportation to get to school.



# **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 and year end trip expenses.

# **School Lunches through Healthy Hunger**

Domino's Pizza is offered Mondays and Subway on Wednesdays. Booster Juice is every other Friday. If you have not yet signed up, there is a link on the school website. These purchases help to support students at Dr. Emily Stowe. Place your orders now!



# Volunteers

WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS Thank you to so many of you who help us out by volunteering on school trips or coming in to classrooms to help. Your contribution of time and your willingness to be a part of Stowe life are greatly appreciated. This is also a reminder that if you agree to join us in this capacity, you agree to keep issues confidential. Volunteering is not an opportunity to report to other parents or share information

about students to others in the community. We trust that the majority of our parents conduct themselves in a manner that exemplifies true Stowe Spirit, and we want to thank you for that.

Please remember that if you are volunteering in the school that meetings and conversations in the staff room are professional and confidential. Sensitive information may be discussed at this time. We therefore ask that volunteers respect that this space is reserved for Dr. Emily Stowe staff only. Thank you for your respect of this request.

# **Front Foyer Facelift**

Madame Haley-Twiss is looking for volunteers with décor and creative talents to help with giving the front foyer a new look. If you are interested, please email her at <u>Lorena\_haleytwiss@kprdsb.ca</u> or call 905-433-8747. This includes holding meetings with board personnel and students for input, and creating a survey for distribution to random students and their families. It is our hope that interested intermediate students will also collaborate to oversee the project.

# **Boo Grams/Terry Fox**

A big thank you to students for purchasing Boograms this year to raise money for the 'Because I am a Girl' Foundation of Plan International Canada, and to Student Council for working so hard to sell, package and deliver the boograms.

Thank you to everyone for your support through our Terry Fox fundraising and walk initiative. We have surpassed our goal and raised a total of \$2,076.10!

# **Board Information**

#### **Grade 8 Information Session at Courtice Secondary School**

Courtice Secondary School invites Grade 8 students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) to our Grade 8 Information Session and Open House on Thursday, January 16, 2020 from 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm. The information session will include a presentation about our grade 9 program. You can also meet our teachers and take a tour of the secondary school classrooms.

#### **Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month**

November is Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month. The month of November was chosen because of other special dates and events in November, including Treaty Recognition Week, Louis Riel Day and Inuit Day. We are very honoured to be welcoming many guests and knowledge holders into our schools this month. Parents, staff and families are welcome to attend all evening events throughout the month of November. <u>Check out the free film screenings and discussions</u> taking place, to which all interested members of the community are invited.

Some of the other events noted below may require registration or are limited in enrollment/access. For more information on any of these events and information on how to register for the non-school based events (marked \*\*), please contact Colleen Honey at <u>colleen honey@kprdsb.ca</u>.

Date	Event	Location		
November 1 – 30	First Nations Child and Family Caring Society Hosting	Clarington Central Secondary		
	Caring Across the Boundaries exhibit	School and various other schools		
November 7	Inuit Day - David Ruben Piqtoukun, Inuit Artist &	Colborne Public School		
	Sculptor, teaching about Soap Stone Carvings			
November 8	Alderville First Nation Chief Dave Mowat – Treaty	Cobourg Collegiate Institute		
11:55 AM	Week			
November 8	National Indigenous Veterans' Day	Various Schools		
November 13	Indigenous Awareness Lacrosse Day	Bowmanville High School		
November 14	Colten Boushie Documentary – Film Screening and	Adam Scott Collegiate Vocational		
7:00-8:30 PM	Community Discussion	Institute		
November 15	Métis Flag Raising	Education Centre		
9:15 AM				
November 21	Rumble – Film Screening and Community Discussion	Port Hope High School		
7:00-8:30 PM				
November 28	Our People Will Be Healed – Film Screening and	Bowmanville High School		
7:00-8:30 PM	Community Discussion			

Treaty Recognition Week, is November 4 to 8, and its timeliness as an opportunity to learn more about the importance of treaties in Ontario. Ontario is covered by 46 treaties and other agreements, such as land purchases by the Crown. These agreements were signed between 1781 and 1930. Schools within our Board sit on land within the Williams Treaties of 1923, signed with the Mississauga and Chippewa Nations. The Williams Treaties First Nations include the Mississaugas of Alderville First Nation, Curve Lake First Nation, and Hiawatha First Nation, as well as other neighbouring First Nations.

Treaties helped to establish relationships between First Nations and Europeans, and between people and the land. You are encouraged to take the time to learn more about Treaties and access other Indigenous resources we have available online through the homepage of our website: <u>www.kprschools.ca</u>. You may also wish to visit the Ministry of Indigenous Affairs website: <u>https://www.ontario.ca/page/ministry-indigenous-affairs</u>.

#### **Parents and caregivers**

Registration opens November 8 for the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board's Parent Workshops on Kids Have Stress Too!

The workshops will run from 10-11:30 a.m. at three locations:

Friday, November 29 at the Education Centre in Peterborough

Tuesday, December 10 at KPR's Kirby Professional Learning Centre in Clarington

Tuesday, March 31 at Port Hope High School

Visit kprschools.ca after November 8 for details and to register for one of these workshops!

# Come join us for Dr. Emily Stowe's 4th Annual Christmas Market!

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FRIDAY DECEMBER 6TH 5PM-9PM 71 SANDRINGHAM DR, COURTICE, ONT

#### For an evening full of fun including:

☆ Shopping from local crafters and vendors
 ☆ Holiday-Themed Games
 ☆ Facepainting
 ☆ Cookie decorating
 ☆ Holiday Crafts
 ☆ Bake Sale
 ☆ Raffle Prizes

entry is free with a donation to our food and toy drive

# **Attention all parents!**

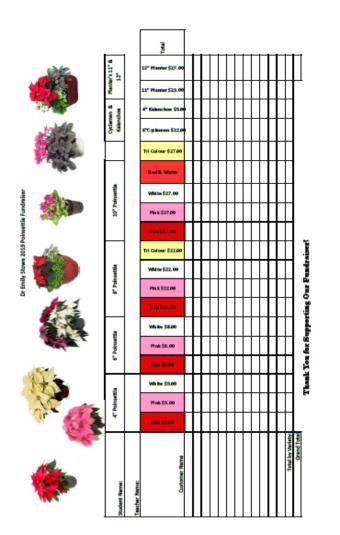
Victim Services of Durham Region in partnership with Dr. Emily Stowe P.S. and Durham Regional Police Services invites you to attend:

Human Trafficking: Parents and Prevention Wed. Nov. 27th , 2019 @ 6:30 p.m. Dr. Emily Stowe Public School Gym

Caregivers will gain:

- Knowledge on Human Trafficking in our region
- Practical tips on how to prevent youth from being trafficked
- Will hear from a Parent and a Survivor, both with lived-experience with human trafficking on red flags and effective interventions

November								
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		
					1 Sgt. Elo presents to gr. 1-8	2		
3 Your Llocks Back	4	5	<b>6</b> Remembrance Day with Jimmy Chapman	7	8 Progress Reports Go Home	9		
10	<b>11</b> Remembrance Day Poinsettia Forms Due	12 SK Vision Screening	13 SK Vision Screening Photo retakes	<b>14</b> SK Vision Screening	15 M	16		
17 Bullying Awareness Week	18	<b>19</b> 6:15 p.m. School Council	20 500000000000000000000000000000000000	<b>21</b> Lakefield Singers in PM	22 PA DAY	23		
24	25	26	27 6:30 Human Trafficking Presentation	28	29 Int. Volleyball	30		







October, 2019.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Once again it is time for our school's annual poinsettia fundraiser. All profits from this fundraiser will support the school's Music program.

For families new to the school, this campaign offers a variety of poinsettias and other plant combinations. All plants are purchased from Rekker's Garden Centre in Bowmanville. Please bear in mind they reserve the right to make substitutions due to availability. Our school has been a proud supporter of Rekkers for many years now.

#### Orders and payment are due Monday, November 11, 2019.

Pick up is Friday, December 6th from 6:00-9:00 p.m. during the Christmas Market, in the library.

Please note that we are not responsible for any plants that are not picked up during the designated time frame. No refunds will be issued for unclaimed plants.

Preferred payment is through School Cash Online. Please also send in the paper order form to the school when paying online. *Please do not send cash*. Cheques are to be made payable to Dr. Emily Stowe PS. We regret that we cannot accept any late orders.

Thank you for participating. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to email

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Cathy Peters School Council