



# DR. EMILY STOWE P.S.

June 2024

## “Soaring to Victory”

### Principal’s Message

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to June! The school year has flown by and we are close to another summer break. With June comes EQAO testing for our Grades 3 and 6 students, Term 2 Report Cards and class placements for 24/25. Term 2 Report Cards will be sent home with students on Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Class placements will be indicated on the first page of the report card. When determining class placements for students, the following criteria will be used: classes will be balanced by academic, social, peer compatibility, number, and gender factors to ensure a balanced group. Using our professional judgment, these groupings will be ultimately decided by the sending and receiving teachers and administration. We have spent many hours carefully considering class placements as a staff. Please be advised that classroom placements are tentative and could change due to Provincial cap sizes on classrooms and changes in student enrolment that occurs over the summer. Classroom re-organization typically occurs in the Fall depending on when final enrolment and staffing is in place. Thank you for your understanding and respect of this process.

It has been a pleasure to return to Stowe this year, connect with parents and to catch up with my former students who are now parents at Stowe. The students at Stowe are awesome, the staff are fantastic, and the parents are caring and great to work with. Believe me when I say that Stowe is truly an amazing school! If I don't see you before the summer break, I wish you all the best and enjoy a restful summer!

Sincerely,

*Mr. Bryan Beers*  
Principal

### School Council

Hello Stowe Families,

A big thank you to all the parents and teachers who gave up their evening to help volunteer at our Fun Fair! It was a huge success raising a profit over \$5,000 for the school! It looked like everyone had a fantastic time. We couldn't have done it without everyone's help with planning and all the prep work that went into the Fun Fair.

Our council meetings are finished for the year. Our first meeting back to school will be in September. Please watch for the September newsletter to confirm date.

**MAKE NOTE - Pop day on Monday June 10th. Sold at 2nd lunch** as that's when **Domino's Pizza is distributed**. \$1 pop, cash only, exact change preferred. Choices will be orange Crush, grape Crush, rootbeer and cream soda.



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 that morning to arrange to 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.

Colleen Smiles, Chair  
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## Character in the School

### June’s Character Attribute

#### Honesty

I am sincere, truthful and trustworthy.



## Report Cards

Report cards will be distributed in paper form and electronically, on **June 27th**. If you have not yet accessed your Edsby account, please do so as that is where the report cards will be posted for your child(ren). The Parents Portal is the suggested avenue to start with your log in into Edsby. <https://parents.kprdsb.ca/>

## Edsby Parent Orientation and Sign-up

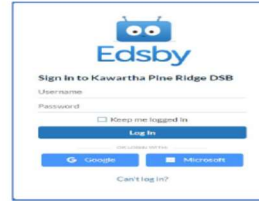
### How to Register an Edsby Account

Upon receipt of your invitation from the school  
Open an Internet Browser and navigate to [kpr.edsby.com](http://kpr.edsby.com)

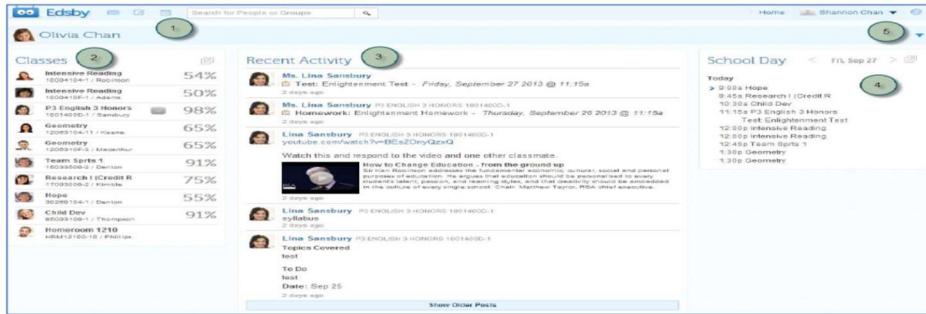
Username is your email account on file in office  
Password is created first time you log-in

### Forgot Your Password?

If you have an existing account and cannot remember your password  
Click Can't log in and you will be able to re-set your password



### Edsby Parent Homepage Tour



1. **Edsby Banner** - From here the message inbox, new message, and calendar can be accessed. Also, the "Edsby" logo will take you back to the parent homepage
2. **Classes** - Here you see a list of your child's classes. More details about specific assignments are also available here by clicking My Work
3. **Activity Feed** - The activity feed is a running list of everything going on in your child's classes. Assignments, Tests, Reminders, Video or Reading Links and other pertinent information will display here throughout the year
4. **School Day** - The School Day below the student name provides your child's schedule. Clicking the pop-out opens a larger calendar that displays all of their assignments, reminders and events
5. **Parent Dropdown** - By dropping down this menu, parents can change their profile information and logout of Edsby

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## Class Placements For 2024-2025



Here is our tentative list of teacher placements for 2024-2025.

### Teachers – Staffing for 2024-25 (so far)

Teacher	Grade	Room #
Kim McDonald	Kindergarten	180 (ECE Stacy Sutherland)
Sarah Szymr (.2)/Andrea Morgan (.8)	SK/1	181
Sarah Steffler	Kindergarten	188 (ECE Sarah Anderson)
Kelly Brouwer	Grade 1/2	190
Andrea McCaffrey	Grade 1	191
Miriam Johnson	Grade 2	193

Nancy Van Alebeek	Grade 2/3	194
Terri Johnston	Grade 3	128
Bailey Usher	Grade 3/4	119
LTO (for C. Harding) TBD	Grade 4	124
Natalie Szagala	Grade 5	115
Matthew Fulford	Grade 5/6	129
Holly James	Grade 6/7	116
Kevin Brooks (Karen Papaleo retiring)	Grade 7	118
Candace Murru	Grade 7/8	123
Kelly Luke-Hewitt	Grade 8	120
Stephen Harper	SERT	Office
Dan Roberts	Planning – Music/Primary	148
Julie Deck	Planning/French	
Courtney K. Chartrand	French	117

## Extras

Class placements will be communicated in the final report cards. IEPs will also be shared at this time.

In these final days of June, please remember to send your child with sunscreen and a hat as needed, as well as a water bottle to keep hydrated.

We encourage all students to ensure they are here promptly for the 8:40 bell. We are almost at the end of the year but there is still learning to be had. Please be mindful that announcements are from 8:50-8:55/9:00 am. With constant buzzing of the front door at this time, this becomes disruptive to not only the playing of O Canada but the projection of announcements over the school PA system as the buzzer is quite loud and can be heard over the entire school while announcements are taking place. There is a sign on the front door asking you to refrain from buzzing during this time. ***We would appreciate your cooperation with this consideration.***

## Grade 8s

We will be holding a graduation ceremony June 24<sup>th</sup>. We wish all of our grade 8 students all the best and much success in their future!



## Student Epi-pens/Puffers/Medications

Parents will be contacted to attend the school to pick up any EPI-PENS/PUFFERS/MEDICATION that may be in the office. Paperwork for the 2024-2025 school year will be sent home to prepare for the new school year, to give parents the opportunity to have their doctor complete and sign what may be required on the forms over the summer.

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.

## Play Day

On June 18<sup>th</sup> we will be having a school play day weather permitting. Please also send sunscreen as we will be outside for the majority of the day.

## Volunteers

KPR schools welcome volunteers. Remember police checks expire one year after they are issued. It is suggested that you obtain your police check over the summer so that it does not expire during a school year. Please contact your child's teacher to inquire of the availability of volunteering, and provide the office with the following:

1. A valid, current police check with vulnerable sector search completed. The police check (with VSS) should have the seal from the police services. **Checks from companies such as My Back Check or any other online service are not acceptable.**



## 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!



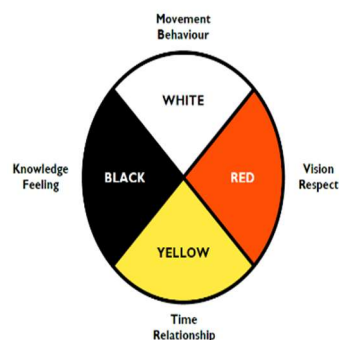
## June is National Indigenous History Month

Msit wen Weli eksitu'k!

During this month, we invite you to take time to recognize the rich history, heritage, resilience and diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples across Canada.

We honour the unique and meaningful contributions of First Nation, Métis and Inuit peoples. We are fortunate to work in relationship with local Indigenous partners from Alderville First Nation, Curve Lake First Nation, Hiawatha First Nation, as well as the The Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) Peterborough and District Wapiti Métis Council, the Oshawa and Durham Region Métis Council, and local urban Indigenous organizations. It is the strength of those relationships that we honour as we plan, develop, and support the learning of Indigenous and non-Indigenous students alike. [Read more about our community partnerships.](#)

This [learning portal](#) provides access to various resources to learn more about Indigenous history, languages, cultures and experiences. This learning material is Indigenous created or co-created.



## 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](http://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, 5% of sales comes back to the school! Show your support for your school! **Please note this is only at the King/Townline location.**

## Board News

### School Climate Survey

As part of our ongoing efforts to create and maintain safe, inclusive, and welcoming schools, all students from Grades 4 to 12 in the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board, their parents/caregivers, and school staff will be asked to participate in an anonymous School Climate Survey between May 27-June 14.

The School Climate Survey is required every two years by the Ministry of Education and asks for opinions on key areas that research has shown to have an impact on student learning outcomes – with a focus on sense of belonging, relationships, safety, and well-being.

More information about the School Climate Survey will be shared by schools next week and is also available on the [School Climate web page](#).

### Positive School Climate Teams Pilot

As part of the Program Review Committee Report, staff shared an update on a pilot program being led by the Board's Safe and Caring Schools team.

The project is being led by 12 schools, representing both elementary and secondary panels across all three regions of the Board, purposefully working to implement Positive School Climate Teams in schools. Each pilot school has implemented a Positive School Climate Team at their respective sites, with the goal of developing best practices that can be shared for the system-wide rollout of Positive School Climate Teams in 2024-2025. These teams include students, a cross-section of employee group members, and a community member to allow multiple voices to share their experiences. The school teams participating in the pilot have met several times this year to determine their school's most urgent area of need, and to formulate a plan and defined framework to address this need. To help inform the plan, school teams are considering School Climate Surveys, in-school surveys, and other forms of relevant data.

"The need to create safe, inclusive learning environments where our students feel welcome and a sense of belonging at school has long been a core value of our school board," says Jaine Klassen Jeninga, Chairperson, Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board. "We are heartened and encouraged to see that work is ongoing and expanded to meet the unique needs of our students and staff."

Among the initial, common themes identified by pilot schools has been the need to support student sense of belonging, establish meaningful relationships, and learn more about trauma-informed practices.

# June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 EQAO Grs. 3 & 6	3 	4 IT'S HUG YOUR CAT DAY!  	5 	6 	7 PA DAY	8
9	10 	11 Jr. Ultimate Frisbee 	12 Int. Ultimate Frisbee 	13 	14 	15
16 	17 	18 School Play Day 	19 Int. Baseball 	20 Jr. Baseball 	21 	22
23	24 Gr. 8 Grad 	25 	26 	27 Reports Home  	28	