

Churchill Heights P.S. Newsletter October 2022



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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to OCTOBER!!! The first month of school is behind us and we are going full steam ahead into this month.

We were so pleased to have the opportunity to meet so many parents. Teachers were able to share their classroom and curriculum expectations and routines. Getting to know the routines of the classroom ensures your child's success early. Establishing rules and expectations allows students to know what is expected in terms of responsibility and commitment to their own learning. Being involved in your child's education is paramount in creating a positive shared experience and success.

At Churchill Heights, we are committed to ensuring our students are in a safe and nurturing environment. Thank you to all the parents who walk their children to school or park their cars on the street, away from the parking lot and bus loading zone to ensure the safety of every child. The shared responsibility creates a safe environment for everyone. As well, we would like to remind parents to report to the office if you would like to pick up your child early or you are dropping something off for them. We will contact the classroom teacher for you. The fewer disruptions and visits to the class the more learning time for your children. Thank you for the support you give your children, their teachers, and the school every day. It's what makes Churchill Heights a special place to learn and to teach.

Please feel free to contact the office or your child's teacher with questions or concerns. We look forward to a productive and successful.

Sincerely, Ms. Richards & Mr. Leavitt

Online Permission Forms

TDSB emailed parents the Start of Year Permission forms in September. These forms include off-site walking excursion permission, student media release consent, physical education consent, student code of conduct, digital learning tool consent, etc. **It is essential you complete these forms for your child to participate in school activities.** Reminders have been sent out to families who have yet to complete the forms. ***If you receive a reminder, please be sure to complete them immediately.***

School Safety & Manners

For the safety of all our students, please exercise extreme caution when dropping off and picking up your students. Avoid making u-turns in front of the school and blocking the bus zones, crosswalk and bicycle lanes. There is no parking in the staff parking lot.

Please be considerate of our neighbours—do not block driveways.

If you are able, why not walk your child to school for some extra family time and exercise?



The Garbage Pick-Up Action

Last year, on Wednesday May 11th, Ms. Smith's Grade 4/5 class picked up garbage around the school. We did this to help stop pollution from reaching bodies of water and groundwater. As a class we are talking about the Indigenous communities' water supply and saving and protecting water. I was inspired by the Grade 8's water walk and presentation.

So then, I decided that a way we can help protect water at our school is to do a garbage pick-up. As a school we should be thankful we have clean drinking water that we do not have to boil, like some of our Indigenous communities in Canada.

Let's make an effort when we are outside to put garbage and recycling in its place!

Isabella A., Grade 5, Ms. Smith's Class



Orange Shirt Day

September 30th marks Orange Shirt Day & the National Day of Truth and Reconciliation

Friday, September 30th is Orange Shirt Day, it also marks National Day of Truth and Reconciliation, which was passed by legislation last summer to become a federal statutory holiday.

Established in 2013, Orange Shirt Day was inspired by Phyllis Webstad, who was excited to wear her new orange shirt to her first day of school in 1973. However, when she arrived at St. Joseph Mission Residential School, her shirt was taken and never returned. From that day forward, the colour orange, for Phyllis, reminded her of that moment, how her feelings didn't matter, how she felt like she wasn't worth anything and that no one cared for the children who were crying about it that day.

Now, on this day, we recognize the legacy and impact of the residential schools system on First Nations, Métis and Inuit families and communities.

We acknowledge the legacy of residential schools in Canada by wearing orange and we honour the survivors. We remember the thousands of children who were murdered and buried in unmarked graves.

On Friday, September 30, 2021 wear orange to participate in Orange Shirt Day.

Follow @UIEC_tdsb and @tdsb on Twitter to see how students and staff from across the Toronto District School Board recognize Orange Shirt Day.

For more information, visit the Urban Indigenous Education Centre website. To learn more about Phyllis' story and Orange Shirt Day visit <http://www.orangeshirtday.org>

Every child matters.

Orange Shirt Day
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
September 30



October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 School Council Meeting 6:00 pm	6	7 P.A. Day—no school	8
9	10 Thanksgiving	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Gr 6's at SOES Kearney Gr 3 Universal Screening	18 Gr 6's at SOES Kearney Gr 3 Universal Screening	19 Gr 6's at SOES Kearney Gr 3 Universal Screening	20 Gr 3 Universal Screening	21	22
23	24 Diwali Election Day	25	26	27 Photo Re-takes	28 Recognition Assemblies	29
30	31 Halloween					

Upcoming Events

November - Indigenous Education Month

Nov. 6	Daylight Savings (set clocks back 1 hour)
Nov. 11	Remembrance Day
Nov. 15	Progress Reports
Nov. 16	P.A. Day—no school
Dec. 2	P.A. Day—no school
Dec. 26 - Jan. 9	Christmas Holidays
Jan. 13	P.A. Day
Feb. 14	Valentine's Day
Feb. 17	P.A. Day
Feb. 20	Family Day—no school
Mar. 13-17	Mark Break

Apr. 7	P.A. Day—no school
Apr. 10	Easter Holiday
May 22	Victoria Day—no school
June 2	P.A. Day
June 30	Last Day of School

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H	Statutory Holiday
B	Bd. Designated Break
PA	PA Day

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Co-operation						

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Perseverance						

Professional Activity Days:

Tuesday, September 6, 2022
Friday, October 7, 2022
Friday, November 18, 2022
Friday, December 2, 2022
Friday, January 13, 2023
Friday, February 17, 2023
Friday, June 2, 2023

First Day of School:

Wednesday, September 7, 2022

Last day of school for Elementary students:

Friday, June 30, 2023

Dates to Remember:

Labour Day: September 5, 2022

Thanksgiving: October 10, 2022

Winter Break: December 23, 2022 -
January 6, 2023 (last day of school
December 26, 2022; school resumes
January 9, 2023)

Provincial Family Day: February 20,
2023

Mid-Winter Break: March 13 - 17,
2023

Good Friday: April 7, 2023

Easter Monday: April 10, 2023

Victoria Day: May 22, 2023