

Forest Hill Falcon



Forest Hill Jr. & Sr. PS

Week of October 14, 2019

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Hello Forest Hill Families:

Happy Thanksgiving to our students, families, staff and community partners. I am grateful to serve such a dynamic community of learners and engaged families, alongside a caring staff. Thank you for welcoming me into the Forest Hill Family!

Student safety has been a focus over the first month of school as we have worked together to establish routines to ensure everyone's well-being. Our students have done a remarkable job adjusting to our entry routines before school and upon re-entry into the school following recesses. Thank you to parents/ guardians for starting all visits to the school at the main office. Please remember that unexpected visits to classrooms not only take our staff away from supervising students (impacting student safety), these pop in visits also infringe on instructional time.

One measure of keeping our students safe is to ensure we can account for any absences or reasons for being late to school. We would like to remind you that if your child is going to be absent or late for any reason, we ask that you contact the school immediately and report the reason for the absence. If we are not informed about the absence, we will make attempts to contact you through our automated call-out system to determine the reason for the absence.

Please let the office know by calling the school if your contact information, including phone number, changes at any time throughout the school year.

Drivers are reminded to do their part to keep children safe near school buses.

Drivers should follow these tips:

- Stop and never pass a school bus when its red lights are flashing.

- Leave space around school buses and avoid blocking school bus loading zones so children can enter and exit safely.

- Be prepared to stop for a school bus at any time, not just during school hours.

- Always obey the rules of the road and watch for children, especially in school zones.

- Stop for pedestrians at crosswalks and school crossings.

Parents can also help keep their children safe by reminding them to be aware of their surroundings when they are on or near school buses.

Thank you for your continued cooperation to keep your children safe and accounted for.

I look forward to seeing you at our SAC Meeting this Wednesday at 6:30pm. Happy Thanksgiving and have a lovely week!

Important Items for This Week

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Monday, Oct. 14th

Thanksgiving

Tuesday, Oct. 15th - Day 4

Wednesday, Oct. 16th - Day 5

SAC Meeting at 6:30pm

Thursday, Oct. 17th - Day 1

Lice Check

Friday, Oct. 18th - Day 2

Grade 8 High School Carousel (am)



<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/foresthillps/Calendar>

Upcoming Dates

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October 22- Grade 7/8 Immunizations

October 23-25- Leadership Club Bake Sale to support TFSS

October 24- Grade 8 Parent Information Night

October 25- Grade 7/8 Immunizations

November 1- Photo Retakes

November 4-6- Camp Muskoka- Gr. 7

November 11- Remembrance Day

November 12- Progress Reports Go Home

November 14- Parent-Teacher Interviews (evening)

November 15- PA Day/ Parent-Teacher Interviews (am)

Supporting Learning at Home

Children respond well to routine, so if possible, make reading together something that you and your child look forward to every day. Here are some ideas about how to make the most of this time together:

- * Create a daily reading, learning, research and/ or inquiry time
- * Set aside a special time each day when you can give your full attention to your child
- * Find out what your child is passionate about and learn as much as you can about this topic
- * Go to the library together or browse online together for material
- * Use books featuring your child's favourite character from a specific TV show
- * Use great websites from home or your local library to read online
- * Include a spot for games, puzzles, comics or software
- * Read books and other materials in your child's first language. This will help your child with reading in English and French and other languages as well