

Hello Harbord parents/guardians and students:

Welcome back! It was sooo nice to see our students and their 'smizes' ("smiles with your eyes") again. I hope everyone enjoyed their 'semester 1 Week 2 classes' and that we all had an opportunity to connect with our teachers (as we returned) and completed the course. Next week is a four day week for our 'semester 1 Week 1 classes' and it is an opportunity to complete the culminating activities, consolidate the learnings, and connect with your FUNomenal teachers! Remember, during our 'short-term Remote Learning Period' at Harbord, students can access the learning either remotely (live online learning through Google Meet or Zoom links) or in-person with their teacher to finish this semester. Please continue to check your Google Classrooms or Brightspace platforms nightly for important information regarding your learning. Looking forward to seeing those 'smizes' again next week! Here are the some reminders and important information items:

INFORMATION FOR HCI VIRTUAL LEARNERS IN SEMESTER 2 (SHARING OF STUDENTS)

As you know, the TDSB (system-wide) had decided to group Secondary schools together and coordinate the 'sharing' of virtual students to reduce the overall number of classes (system-wide) that educators were teaching with Simultaneous Learning in Semester 2. Here is pertinent information for our Harbord semester 2 virtual learners:

- We are in a group (hub) with Central Tech, Bloor CI, Central Toronto Academy, Jarvis CI, Rosedale School of the Arts, and Harbord
- **What does this mean specifically?** Depending on the course and sections, some of our Harbord virtual students will be assigned to classes taught by teachers from other schools in our 'group'.
- More information will be provided to those impacted students prior to the start of Semester 2 (Feb. 3)

REMINDERS

HARBORD COURSE SELECTION CALENDAR 2022/2023

The Course Selection Calendar has been distributed in classrooms. Copies are also available in the main office.

MASKS

The safety of our students and staff is paramount. Everyone in the building **MUST** wear masks at all times with a few exceptions—eating lunch and drinking. Please ensure your child wears a high quality, well-fitted mask that covers the mouth and nose or picks up one upon entry to school. Proper mask wearing helps us look after ourselves and EACH OTHER. Thank-you for your vigilance!

LUNCH

A reminder that students should eat their lunch in the first 15-20 minutes of the lunch period. We encourage students to go home for lunch and/or spend time outside. Please remind your child that masks **MUST** be worn at all times during the lunch period, except when the student is eating for the first 15-20 minutes. And please continue to stress to your child to be appropriately distanced — especially when they are eating without their masks.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, January 26 *Late Start 10:00am	Staff Meeting
Thursday, January 27	Last Day of Semester 1 classes
Friday, January 28 Monday, January 31 Tuesday, Feb 1	Credit Rescue Days *These days are for students who are working to achieve the credit and reserved for students who are not yet passing the course.
Wednesday, February 2	PA Day
Thursday, February 3 *Assembly 9:15am	Semester 2 Begins Virtual Assembly: Understanding School Processes
Wednesday, February 9 - Thursday February 10	Report Cards emailed home

CREDIT RESCUE

Credit Rescue Days are reserved for students who are not yet passing the course. Not other students should attend.

Time	Friday, Jan 28 (Week 1)	Monday, January 31 (Week 2)	Tuesday, February 1
MORNING	Course 1 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)	Course 3 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)	Credit Rescue By Appointment
11:30am - 12:15pm (45 mins)	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
AFTERNOON	Course 2 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)	Course 4 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)	Assessment & Evaluation

Lastly...

We wanted to share with our school community a news snippet from CBC Toronto. https://fb.watch/aGTb9k_gWB/ It truly highlights the importance of thinking of, and caring for EACH OTHER. Finnan (one of our FUNomenal students and his mom) were interviewed regarding sidewalk accessibility after all the snow this week. The full story ran last night and it was posted on social media today. It's an important topic that we all need to think about and share. **"At Harbord, we CARE for EACH OTHER. TOGETHER. We are ONE!"**

<https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/2022/01/19/plunge-in-temperature-adds-to-mobility-woes-on-torontos-snow-clogged-streets.html>

Have a FUNomenal weekend everyone.

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