

## Hello Harbord parents/guardians and students:

It's a beautiful Friday and a lot has happened this week. Spirit week activities, including today's Halloween costume day have brought us joy and smiles as more and more, the feeling in the building is slowly returning to "Harbord Life as we know it!" Many more clubs, activities, and sports are up and running --- so students: please, please, please, get out there and get involved! Please keep in mind though, that we must continue to be responsible and follow all health and safety practices/protocols. We want to continue the momentum forward and get to the best place we can... **TOGETHER!**

## Here are some important items to share for this upcoming week and beyond:

### Harbord 101: An "inside peak" at our "school-home" for grade 9 parents

As mentioned last week, we are planning a 'get-to-know-each-other' virtual event to share general information about our school to parents of our grade 9 students on Tuesday November 2, 2021 at 5:30pm - 6:30pm. We have Administration, Guidance staff, Spec. Ed ACL, and ACL of Student Life: Engagement, Leadership, Athletics at the event and we are happy to answer any questions our grade 9 parents may have. Looking forward to seeing our 'new' grade 9 families. Here is the Zoom link: <https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/99158461661>

### Credit Rescue

Harbord is having our week 1 Credit Rescue day on: Wednesday, November 3rd and our week 2 Credit Rescue day on Wednesday, November 10. Please note that students who require credit rescue support are expected to attend in-person class help (unless virtual student). Students who DO NOT REQUIRE CREDIT RESCUE SUPPORT are expected to sign-in (for both morning and afternoon courses) by answering a question via Google Classroom or Brightspace (similar to last year's asynchronous class attendance procedure). Your child's individual teachers will communicate with students/parents/caregivers who should access the credit rescue opportunities as well as the expectations for students who do not require credit rescue support at this time. Teachers will provide specific attendance instructions for students on those dates. See our Special Schedule for those dates below.

### Credit Rescue Model Wed. Nov. 3 & Wed. Nov 10, 2021

Time	Wed. Nov 3 (Week 1)	Time	Wed. Nov 10 (Week 2) Late Start
9:00am - 10:15am (75 mins)	Course 1 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)	10:00am-11:15am (75 mins)	Course 3 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)
10:15 - 11:30am (75 mins)	Assessment & Evaluation Course 1	11:15am-12:30pm (75 mins)	Course 4 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)
11:30am - 12:15pm (45 mins)	Lunch	12:30-1:15pm (45 mins)	Lunch
12:15pm - 1:30pm (75 mins)	Course 2 Credit Rescue (In person and Virtual)	1:15pm-2:45pm (90 mins)	Assessment & Evaluation for Course 3

1:30pm - 2:45pm (75 mins)	Assessment & Evaluation Course 2		Assessment & Evaluation for Course 4
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### Extra Curricular Activities

Yes!!! Lots of activities are happening and there is a buzz all around us. Students have shared with us their passions and likes and we have been able to find amazing staff to support their 'FUN'omenal interests. Hey...we've even added a dance club to our list of extracurricular activities! I'm so looking forward to joining in and learning a few 'new moves' from our students. Again, students: pay particular attention to the morning announcements for extracurricular information or access the link below for information on the many extracurricular opportunities we are offering (seems like a few new ones are being added all the time!)

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qJsYYwbax8l3JN6DI9jc8dwFq6HESnlq-LmHcyu0\\_yA/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qJsYYwbax8l3JN6DI9jc8dwFq6HESnlq-LmHcyu0_yA/edit?usp=sharing)

### Parent and Guardian/Teacher Interviews

Parent and Guardian/Teacher Interviews will take place on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 from 1-3pm and 6-8pm. These interviews will be conducted virtually. **Information about how to sign up will be sent on Monday, November 2 at 9:00am.**

**TIPS:** Be 5 minutes early. Waiting rooms have been enabled on Zoom and Google Meets. The teacher will let you in when ready.

<b>Wednesday, November 3 at 9:00am</b>	Parents and guardians can sign up to see teachers	Interviews are 5 minutes long.
<b>Monday, November 8 at 4:00pm</b>	Parents and guardian sign up closes	

If you have any questions or concerns, please email Leigh Thornton at [Leigh.Thornton@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Leigh.Thornton@tdsb.on.ca)

### Tigertalk News!

Here is an announcement from the editors of the school newspaper: "Hey, Harbord! Check out the first edition of *Tigertalk* written by our very own students. If you're interested in reading about the news, sports, lifestyle, arts, and more or just want to see what fellow students have to say, go to [harbordtigertalk.com](http://harbordtigertalk.com)!" --- ENJOY!!!

### November is Indigenous Education Month!

Each member of the Harbord community is encouraged to reflect and act on their commitment to Truth and Reconciliation and the decolonization of schools. This month, we acknowledge, reflect, and engage with our First Nations, Métis, and Inuit communities to observe:

Treaties Recognition Week - November 1-5

International Inuit Day - November 7

Aboriginal Veterans' Day - November 8

Louis Riel Day - November 16

As always, please continue to practice the health and safety protocols and follow the most up-to-date Toronto Public Health directives. Have a FUNomenal weekend!

**“Harbord, we CARE for each other. TOGETHER. We are ONE!”**

Steve