



# HUMBERCREST PS

## Family Communication

**November 17, 2023**

Dear Humbercrest Families,

It has been wonderful seeing parents throughout our school at the Remembrance Day assemblies and during parent/guardian/teacher interviews. We value your partnership and support. Thank you again for your support with our Food Drive. We are overwhelmed with the number of food items donated. Thank you for making a difference.

Marlene Calligan and Debra Marshall-MacLeod

## Holiday Hampers - Coming in December

From late-November to December, Humbercrest will be donating items for the Holiday Hamper Program. This program was started by Social Workers in the TDSB in 1996. Social Workers identify TDSB families that are in need of support - to meet basic needs, and be provided with gifts, clothes and food to be able to fully celebrate winter holidays. With so many families in need, we are hoping that you will consider supporting this program. More information will be coming soon.

## Coping During War & Conflict: Video Series and Culturally Responsive Resources

Our community is going through a period of unprecedented challenges, and we understand that it's crucial to find effective ways to manage our well-being. A video series and related resources have been developed by TDSB staff and expert facilitators to offer coping strategies during war and conflict to support the emotional and mental wellness of students, parents/guardians/caregivers, staff, and the broader community.

[Visit the Affinity Wellness webpage for videos and resources.](#)

## Winter Concert

On Wednesday, December 13, we will be having our Winter Concerts. To accommodate room for all the families, we will be hosting 2 concerts. The primary classes along with the Primary Choir will be performing at 6:00 pm. The junior classes along with the junior choir will be performing at 7:00 pm. More information will be shared in the coming weeks.



# Humbercrest Highlights

On peut :

- utiliser un pinceau
- tracer une feuille (ou 2)
- couper et coller la feuille
- imaginer un visage

Room 10's Contributions to Truth and Reconciliation

We will:

1. Learn with respect and kindness while using language that is caring and respectful.
2. Learn about specific Indigenous communities through primary sources and authentic voices.
3. Learn to Indigenous stories.
4. Talk and learn about Indigenous leaders and knowledge.

It feels like being buddies.

Being nice and kind, no yelling or screaming.

Peace feels like ice cream and puppies.

Nice, calm, joyful, thankful, positive.

It sounds like nothing.

Celebrating diversity, coming together as community.

Peace sounds like the constant and predictable sounds of the ocean waves meeting the shore.

Peace feels warm and fuzzy.

Peace is being respectful to anyone, it doesn't matter who.

It's when we get together and get along.

It makes me happy.

It sounds like birds chirping on tree branches.

It's a space free from war.

It is being kind to the world.

It sounds like music and polite talking with one another.

It is the feeling of happiness, being at ease.....

It is the feeling of safety, connection and belonging.

It is being ready to learn and grow.

We're all the same.

It's respecting our differences.

It's agreeing to disagree when we need to.

It looks like countries not starting wars or disputes.

It feels loving. It feels nice.

It's being friends.

For Session #1, the Special Education and Inclusion team will be discussing the Individual Learning Plan (ILP), In-School Support Team (IST), School Support Team (SST), Individual Education Plan (IEP), and Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) processes.

For more information, click [this flyer](#).

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# After Hours School Safety

If you see any suspicious activity or vandalism at the school after hours, but feel it is not a call to police, you can call **The 24-hour TDSB security number: 416-395-4620**

## African Heritage Month - Call-Out Letter: KYW Black Youth Empowerment Conference

Calling all Black identifying students!!

We're looking for interested TDSB and DPCDSB Black identifying students to join a committee of your peers to organize this year's Know Your Worth Black Youth Empowerment conference!

In celebration of Black History Month / African Heritage Month, we will be holding our annual Know Your Worth Black Youth Empowerment Conference in February 2024. This is a conference on empowerment for Black identifying youth, created by youth and we want your input in bringing this event to life!

Our first virtual meeting will be on Monday, November 27, 2023, at 5:00 pm. Please see the [attached](#) for the registration form and further details.

## School Advisory Committee

### Humbercrest Holiday Fundraiser

We are happy to be partnering with Bradford Greenhouses again this year for our annual Poinsettia Sale. Great gift idea for family, friends and co-workers. All proceeds will fund teacher and parent spending proposals presented at SAC.

Pre-order your choice of RED or PINK poinsettia plant(s).

6" (Small) \$12 - Standard table size

8" (Large) \$22 - Table or floor size

[Pre-order online](#) NOW until **Wednesday, November 22.**

In-person pick-up day is Tuesday December 5 from 3:20 to 7 pm at Brookside Avenue entrance. Thank you for your support!

Questions? Please contact Kristen Juschkewitsch at [kristengrace@gmail.com](mailto:kristengrace@gmail.com)

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## Trustee Debbie King Newsletter

Please sign up to receive the [newsletter](#) from Debbie King. There is an upcoming Ward 7 meeting that addresses significant matters. [Click here](#) to learn more.

# Parent/Guardian Resources

## Math Resources for Home

We wanted to share the following [Math resource](#) that families can use with children at home.

Resources for Parents/Families:



<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Innovation/ForParents>

## Art in Action

The holidays are swiftly approaching and Art in Action has got you covered for unique and personal gift-giving ideas with our holiday session. Students will stay cozy and inspired to create something new each week. They will learn new art techniques and create exciting projects to decorate your home or give away for the holidays. Classes at Humbercrest will be held on Monday OR Tuesdays at lunchtime:

Monday - 3 classes; Dec 4, 11 and 18. The cost is \$65. Please go here to [REGISTER FOR MONDAY](#)

Tuesday - 4 classes; Nov 28, Dec 5, 12, 19. The cost is \$85. Please go here to [REGISTER FOR TUESDAY](#)

**Art in Action** will be running a winter program beginning the week of January 15, registrations will open in December.

We hope to see you soon!

[Art in Action](#)



## Extra-Curricular

The Watermelons	Thursdays at Lunch (starting November 23)
Junior girls basketball team (grades 4-6)	Monday and Thursday after school practices
Eco Club	Day 3 - Lunch - Library
Minecraft lunch	Thursday Lunch (room 22)
Pokemon Club (gr. 4-8)	2 Mondays per month - Lunch (library)
Mila's Book Club (Grade 5)	Every 2nd Wednesday in the library at Lunch
Primary Choir	Thursdays at Lunch
Junior Choir	Wednesdays at Lunch

## Upcoming Dates

Lunch Lady (every Tues & Thurs)	November 21 and November 23
Deadline for order Poinsettias	November 22
Parent Council Meeting	December 5
Pizza Day	December 6
PA Day	December 8

## High School Open House Dates

Runnymede Collegiate	November 21 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Humberside Collegiate	December 12 6:30 - 8:30 pm

## Days of Significance

Gyan Panchami	November 18
Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	November 21
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	November 24

# School Website

[Humbercrest Public School](#)

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