



HUMBERCREST PS

Family Communication

September 8, 2023

Dear Families,

Welcome back Humbercrest families to another exciting school year. If you are new to the school, we are delighted to have you as part of our learning community. We have had an exciting first week of school. Lots of smiling faces as students reconnect with friends and begin to make new ones.

Humbercrest is a vibrant, active community that prides itself on excellence, hard work and involvement. We take pride in the meaningful partnerships that exist between parents and our staff.

We are looking forward to a successful school year.

Take care,
Marlene and Debra

Start of Year Forms - Permission Click

The Start of Year forms (listed below) will be delivered by IT Services to all TDSB students digitally through Permission Click throughout September. Currently, the emailing of these forms have been delayed. We encourage all parents to fill out these forms once they are received.

- Permission to Participate in Off-Site Walking Excursions
- Student Media Release Consent (for School/TDSB Events)
- Student Media Release Consent (Media Organizations)
- Permission to Leave School in Severe Weather Conditions (Grades 6-12)
- Use of Personal Email Address
- Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation
- Medical Information Form (511E)
- Code of Conduct
- Code of Online Conduct
- Acceptable Use of Information Technology Resources

Cell Phones

Last year, after much collaboration and discussion, a new cell phone policy was created. The policy is as follows:

- Power off when you enter the building
- During morning and afternoon recess they should not be outside
- During Lunch recess they should not be outside
- Teacher will clearly state when they can be used for academic purpose

A letter will be going home with students to acknowledge our expectations.

Safe Arrival

One measure of keeping students safe is to ensure that students have arrived at school. If your child is going to be late or absent, it is important that you contact the office before 9:00 am. You can leave a message any time at 416-394-2370. At the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) we have an automated call-out system that will attempt to contact you if your child is absent and the school was not informed. The system will call parents/guardians identified in TDSB's Student Information Systems which has access to student records, and emergency contacts with priority 1 and/or 2 who will receive a call.

If your child is going to be late, please have them come to the main office doors and ring the bell, bring them to the office for a printed late slip, and a staff member will ensure that they arrive to class. If you need to pick up your child early, please send a note with your child or call the office. When you buzz the office, we will bring your child to the door.

Thank you for supporting our first Fundraising event.

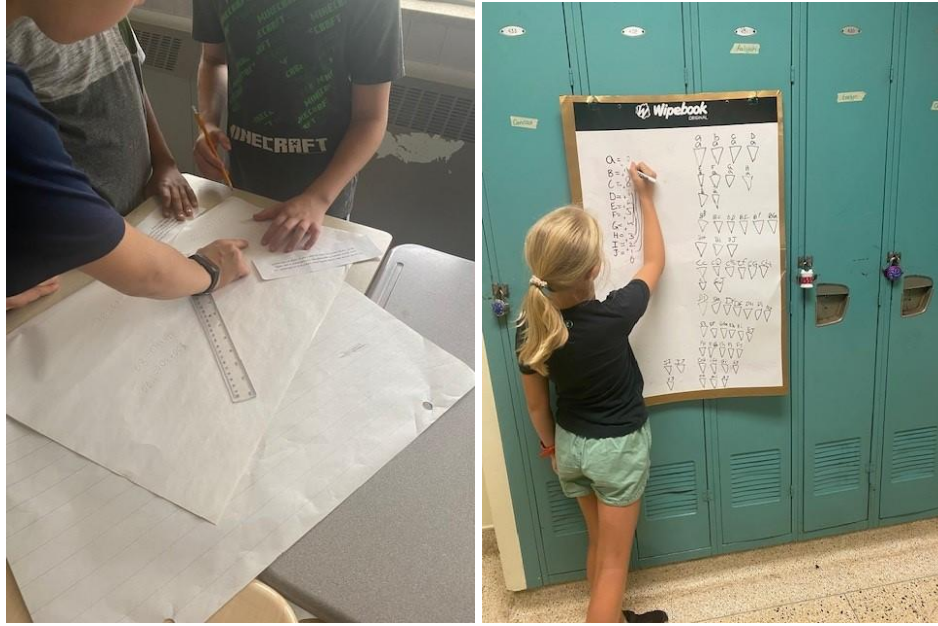


A Freezie Fundraiser was the perfect treat in the hot weather.

Grade 7 Overnight Trip to Camp Wahanowin

Students in Grade 7 will have an opportunity to attend Camp Wahanowin from September 27-29. Families in Grade 7 received information packages that have details regarding the trip. Please reach out to the office should you have any questions or require any assistance. A parent meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 11 at 6:30 pm. Please use the link that was shared with you.

Humbercrest Highlights



Exploring numbers in many ways. Solving an Escape Room challenge and calculating the number of possible ice-cream flavour combinations.

Allergy Information

At Humbercrest PS, we ask that you not send food with nuts and tree nuts because we have numerous students with serious allergies. We also remind students not to share food and snacks. At Humbercrest PS, we have an Allergy Committee that functions as part of our School Advisory Council. They have created an [Allergy booklet](#) to provide you with clear guidelines and information.

TDSB - Parent/Caregiver and Community Engagement

Welcome Back!

We are pleased to welcome back parents/caregivers, School Council members, Chairs, Co-Chairs, and Vice Chairs to the 2023-2024 school year. We will be hosting a Welcome Back Town Hall for School Council members, parents/caregivers, and Staff who are interested in learning about tools, resources, and upcoming opportunities for School Councils. The conversation will highlight:

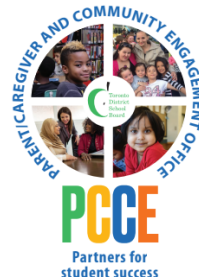
- Our Board's standards of operations for School Councils
- School Council Communication Tools
- School Council Funding

Please join us on Thursday, September 28, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. [Click on the link to register](#). Interpretation is available. If you require interpretation, please indicate this on your registration, no later than, Monday, September 25, 2023, at 12:00 p.m. (noon).

For further inquiries, please contact PCEO@tdsb.on.ca.

Thank you,

Parent/Caregiver and Community Engagement
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School Board Trustee - Debbie King

Please find attached a [Back to School](#) letter and the TDSB Parent Protocol from our Ward 7 Trustee - Debbie King

Vandalism of School

Over the course of the summer and now into the first week of September, there has been an increase in vandalism, and illegal activity occurring on school property. This seems to be happening in the evenings and on the weekends. We are continuing to work with our neighbours, TDSB staff and Caring & Safe School to continue to create a positive and safe space for all.

We appreciate the community response. If there are any concerns, the TDSB After Hours Security phone number s 416-395-4620 and/or Toronto Police Service Division 11 can be reached at 416- 808-1100

Upcoming Dates

Grade 7 Trip to Wahanowiiin September 27 -29

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation September 29

Photo Day October 2

School Website

[Humbercrest Public School](#)

[Humbercrest School Council](#)

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Resources

[City of Toronto Mental Health](#)

