



John McCrae Newsletter

Student Attendance and Safe Arrival

The TDSB recognizes that regular attendance is essential to the safety, academic and well-being of all students. The TDSB acknowledges the legal responsibility of students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) to ensure attendance and punctuality. The TDSB will report, track and monitor student absences and lateness. The TDSB will address problematic and prolonged absences and lateness through timely measures or interventions by the principal, guidance counsellors, classroom teachers, social workers, and other appropriate staff employed at the school or in central departments. More information is available on the TDSB website under Policy P085—Student Attendance and Safe Arrival.

Dressing Appropriately:

Brrrrr...the weather is getting cold again. Please make certain that your child is dressed appropriately. The best way to prepare for both indoor school time and outdoor recess time is to have your child dress in layers. Students also need indoor shoes that stay at school. A warm coat or jacket and snow pants and water proof boots are necessary once the weather is below freezing or if there is snow on the ground. All children need to have hats and mittens or gloves as well. Long scarves can be a safety hazard for children. Please make sure that the scarf is not too long and that it is tucked in safely in their jacket. Please label all outdoor clothing. This is the Toronto District School Board Cold Weather Policy: When temperatures and/or windchill factor indicates -20 to -28 , recess may be shortened to 10 mins and lunch recess to 20 minutes. When the temperature and/or wind chill factor indicates -28°C or lower, children will remain indoors due to risk of frost-nip and frostbite.

Breakfast Program:

A breakfast program will be coming to our school in the new year. More information will be provided to students in coming weeks.



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What is Kindness and Caring?

- ~ **treating others with compassion, generosity and a forgiving spirit**
- ~ **being gentle, willing to help, friendly and considerate**
- ~ **considering the needs of others, not just your own**

Student of the Month Recipients For Empathy

Congratulations to November’s Students of the Month. November’s character trait was EM-PATHY.

- Mrs. Beverly: Ruby, Noah & Sidratul
- Mrs. Bower: Hunter & Devena
- Mrs. Khazanchi: Sadaf & Theodore
- Ms. Laskovski: D’ondria & Ysabelle
- Ms. Myers: Advik & Magishaa
- Mrs. Aitken: Chloe & Casey
- Ms. Wells: Ariana & Samoil
- Mrs. Burt: Harish & Betina
- Ms. Nelson: Dominic & Lexi
- Ms. Ridout: Abinaya
- Ms. Cooling: Lana & Dreveon
- Mrs. Robertson: Kayla & Ryan
- Ms. Kwon: Sultan & Sinthuri
- Ms. Sereboe: Baanusa & Yusef
- Mr. Crichlow: Simra & Joshua
- Ms. Stamp: Meadow & Shauntae
- Mr. Perna: Suha
- Ms. Eva: Yusuf & Arielle
- Mrs. ‘tMannetje: Oliver, Bobby & Savanna
- Mr. Denby: Roshani & Yugeshwar
- Mr. Waterman: Mya, Madison & Tracey
- Ms. Zachopoulos: Danis & Keifa
- Mrs. Wilenski: Nathaniel
- Mr. Ivanov: Jordan
- Mr. Rozehnal: Sharon
- Mrs. Alviarez: Aytaj



Happenings at John McCrae

- December 5 to 8 - Scholastic Book Fair
- December 5 - Ms. Eva’s Class to Movie Theatre
- December 5 - Grade 5s to the Science Centre
- December 12 - Ms. Burt’s class to Bendale Library
- December 12 - Spirit Day (Bizarre Sweater Day)
- December 15—Grade 8s to the Science Centre
- December 18 - School Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM
- December 18 to 22 - Grade 6s to Kearney
- December 21 - School Dance
- December 23 to January 7 - Winter Holidays
- January 8 - Back to School



Happy Holidays