



# *Parents and Students*

## **PORT ROYAL WEEKLY**

*September 29- October 2*

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<p><b><u>Monday, September 28, 2020 (Day 5)</u></b> Character Education Awards for Respect (Announced)</p>	<p><b>Character Education:</b> Respect/Responsibility 尊敬 责任心</p>
<p><b><u>Tuesday, September 29, 2020 (Day 1)</u></b></p>	
<p><b><u>Wednesday, September 30, 2020 (Day 2)</u></b> Orange Shirt Day</p>	
<p><b><u>Thursday, October 1, 2020 (Day 3)</u></b> Fire Drill (AM) 7PM School Council Meeting (details attached)</p>	
<p><b><u>Friday, October 2, 2020 (Day 4)</u></b></p>	
<p><b><u>Upcoming Dates:</u></b> October 12: Thanksgiving Monday (NO SCHOOL)</p> <p><b>Orange Shirt Day</b> (September 30th) is a day when we honour the Indigenous children who were sent away to residential schools in Canada and learn more about the history of those schools. Our teachers will be participating in a variety of learning activities that support Indigenous education throughout the year. In particular, this upcoming week we will be talking about the impact of residential schools on First Nations people.</p>	

### **A Message from the Principal:**

We have just wrapped up our second week of school. The students have settled into routines nicely. I wanted to share a few of the things that have been happening in the school. First, our primary focus is on mental health and wellbeing. Staff have been focusing on wellness activities with the students, as we understand the impact the pandemic has on all of us. Our educators have also been administering various diagnostic tests in literacy and numeracy to determine math and reading levels so that they can best support student learning.

In the efforts to create an inclusive and culturally responsive learning environment, our staff has been engaged in anti-black, anti-racist and anti-oppressive curriculum. We are looking critically at the learning materials we are using to engage learners to become responsible global citizens. Currently, our students have been learning about Indigeneous perspectives, and reading material from Indigeneous authors. Our intermediate students have begun to engage in Desmond Cole's "The Skin We're In." Other students have been unpacking what Anti-Black racism really means. We want to foster a learning environment where students are aware of our diverse society, the lived experiences of others, and therefore impact positive change as citizens.

We are very excited about our learning together in the years ahead.

V. Mari  
Principal

### **School Council Meeting**

Our school council meeting will be virtual. Please use the information below to login to the meeting this Thursday, October 1 at 7PM. Translation will be available.

#### **Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/j/95519982346?pwd=djhMd1FabUM1d0VERkIMUHljVkJOdz09>

**Meeting ID: 955 1998 2346**

**Passcode: 478089**

### **Guess Who?!**

Ms. Chahine has created a fun opportunity for students to guess which bitmoji represents which Port Royal staff in one of our main display cases. Students who answer correctly will be entered into a draw to win a prize! More information is coming...


