

Diwali is the five-day festival of lights, celebrated by millions of Hindus, Sikhs and Jains across the world. The festival, which coincides with the Hindu New Year, celebrates new beginnings and the triumph of good over evil and light over darkness.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Nov.01 All Saints Day
- Nov. 05 Cultural Assembly
Goatworks 9am
- Nov. 07 Diwali
- Nov.09 Remembrance Day
Assembly 9:15am
- Nov.12 Remembrance Day
No school
- Nov.13 SAC 6pm
HSA 7pm
- Nov. 21 Assessment and
Evaluation Day
No students
- Nov. 22 Home and School
Bingo 6-9pm
- Nov. 26 -30Food drive
- Dec. 06 PD am
Parent Teacher 1-8pm

SAC For November

The School Advisory Committee (SAC) is a team of administrators, teachers and parents whose mandate is to support the school in improving student achievement. We meet monthly to discuss relevant issues and an item of high priority has been the traffic and congestion around the school. The committee has begun to work with The Ecology Action Centre to improve traffic flow around the school. A survey was conducted last month to get a snap shot of the current situation on travel modes to and from school. Thank you to the 305 families that completed the survey! Recommendations and actions are being reviewed including one called the Walking School Bus. Families who asked for additional information will be contacted directly, as well there is an information session about the Walking School Bus on **Thursday, November 22nd from 5:30-6:30pm** in the school music room. All are welcome.

You voice matters, if you have any ideas on school improvements contact the committee at:

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REMEMBRANCE DAY:

Our **Remembrance Day Ceremony** will be taking place in the gym on **Friday, November 9th** starting at 9:15 am. All parents are invited to attend our ceremony. If any members of your family or relatives are **presently in the Military or are Retired from the Military**, please invite them to our Ceremony. We will have seats for them in the front of the gym with our other guests. Please let Tilak Arora, (tarora@hrce.ca) know, so there will be a seat available. All parents are invited to attend our ceremony.

The students are being encouraged to wear **red and/or black and white**. All students will be given a **poppy**. Students who are members of **Guides, Brownies, Sparks, Beavers, Cubs, and Scouts** are invited to wear their uniforms.

A parent/guardian for each student in grade primary to six will be contacted directly before the student is released from school to confirm parent/guardian direction. Communication will be as per school closure.

Guidelines for Cancellation of Bus Runs-Schools Open:

A decision to cancel bus runs will be announced by 6am. Communication will be as aforementioned.

Guidelines for Delayed Opening of School

On school days when conditions exist that is not safe to open school at the regularly scheduled time but it is predicted that conditions will improve, a **2 hour** delayed opening may be considered. Delayed openings would be considered when a severe weather event has concluded but snow clearing or other operations require additional time. Delayed opening may also be considered when the physical plant is experiencing an issue (power, water) and additional time is required to prepare the school for opening.

In the event of a delayed opening the following will apply:

- School opening will be delayed 2 hours
- School bus pick up times will be delayed 2 hours.
- Excel child care will be delayed opening 2 hours
- Lunch times will not change
- Afternoon class schedules will not change
- Dismissal time will not change

Early Dismissal/Storm

Closure/Delayed Openings:

Winter will be here before you know it and we still do not have emergency closure forms for all of our students. Please send your form in as soon as possible. For your information our school is bus cluster 1, unit 1 and part of the C.P.Allen family of schools.

Guidelines for Complete School Closures:

For full day closures for all or some schools, the decision will be announced as close to 6:00am as possible. Announcements will be:

- Posted on the HRCE's website (www.hrce.ca)
- Posted on the HRCE's twitter (HRCE-Official)
- Recorded on the HRCE phone line(464-4636)
- Shared with subscribers to the board email and text notification system
- Communicated to local media outlets

Guidelines for Early School Closure:

In the event of early school closure due to deteriorating weather conditions, the Director of School Administration will send an email to principals as close to 11:00am as possible regarding information about an early school closure. If there is to be an early closure

Scholastic Book Fair:

BSS will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair in December of this year to coincide with parent teacher.

Details to follow.

Please welcome our new librarian, Kendra Somers. She would love to have some parent volunteers. Please contact her @ ksomers@hrce.ca.