

SUMMER 2011



**2011/2012  
SCHOOL COUNCIL  
DATES**

Sept. 13, 2011 6:30 p.m.  
Oct. 4, 2011 6:30 p.m.  
Nov. 1, 2011 6:30 p.m.  
Dec. 6, 2011 6:30 p.m.  
Feb. 7, 2012 6:30 p.m.  
March 6, 2012 6:30 p.m.  
April 3, 2012 6:30 p.m.  
May 1, 2012 6:30 p.m.  
Sept. 11, 2012 6:30 p.m.

**SOUTH ARC DATES**

Sept. 6, 2011  
Sept. 27, 2011 (Public #3)  
Oct. 18, 2011  
Nov. 8, 2011  
Nov. 29, 2011 (Public #4)  
Jan. 3, 2012

\*\* All meetings are open to the public, however it is only at the posted public meetings that the community is allowed to address the ARC members and ask questions \*\*

# Sherwood Secondary School Council Newsletter

SCHOOL COUNCIL EMAIL: [SHERWOOD.SC@HWDSB.ON.CA](mailto:SHERWOOD.SC@HWDSB.ON.CA)  
SHERWOOD SCHOOL WEBSITE: [WWW.HWDSB.ON.CA/SHERWOOD](http://WWW.HWDSB.ON.CA/SHERWOOD)

## School Involvement Makes a Difference

What happened at Sherwood School this year? Well, let us fill you in.....

The School Council Annual Report that we publish each summer outlines Sherwood school council goals, our activities, our financial statements and our accomplishments for the past school year. As a Council, we are responsible for advising the principal and the HWDSB on many issues concerning schools such as code of conduct policies, school profiles, principal placement profiles, the school year calendars, curriculum, program goals and priorities, school improvement plans, school facility issues, methods of reporting to parents and the community, the development, implementation and review of

a variety of Board policies, school based services and community partnerships relating to social, health, recreational or nutritional programs and on extra-curricular activities. As a parent or guardian of a Sherwood student we want to welcome you and invite you to become a member of Sherwood School Council yourself.

If you are interested, please return the nomination form found on the reverse of the newsletter for the 2011/2012 School Council year. Elected Council positions will take place at the October 2011 meeting. If you have any questions for School Council, we can be reached via email at:

[Sherwood.SC@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:Sherwood.SC@hwdsb.on.ca) or you may contact the school through the main office at 905-383-3377. There are many ways to stay connected and keep up-to-date on what's happening around school and with council. You may contact a teacher by voice mail, you can find Sherwood information and e-newsletters on the school website [www.hwdsb.on.ca/sherwood](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/sherwood), or you can visit the HWDSB website [www.hwdsb.on.ca](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca) for general information.

In addition to that, our School Council has a bulletin board in the main hallway and there is always a bundle of information in the student agendas.



### **School Year 2010—2011**

- ♦ Chairperson Ms. Angela Koklis
- ♦ Vice Chair Mr. D. Wilson
- ♦ Principal Mr. R. Gallant
- ♦ Vice Principal Ms. E. Wilkie
- ♦ Vice Principal Ms. W. Yarr
- ♦ Superintendent of Education Mr. M. Figueiredo

**“Education is as  
necessary as the  
light; it should be as  
common as water,  
and as free as air”**

Egerton Ryerson

*Home of the Sherwood Saints Since 1967*



## HWDSB Nomination Form - Sherwood Secondary School Council

I wish to be a candidate for an elected position as a parent a/o guardian representative on the Sherwood School Council for the 2011-2012 school year.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

I am a parent/guardian of a Sherwood student? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

I am an employee of the HWDSB? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of candidate: \_\_\_\_\_

Nomination received by: \_\_\_\_\_

The next council meeting is on September 13, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

Please return this nomination form to the school office by September 30, 2011.

## Did You Properly?

The company “iParadigms” got its feet off the ground back in 1996 by a dedicated group from Berkeley University. They felt the need to create a program that would protect written works from plagiarism, by monitoring homework assignments that were handed in by students. Originally, the team consisted of teachers, mathematicians, and computer scientists who formed [Plagiarism.org](http://Plagiarism.org). They were the 1st successful internet-based plagiarism prevention site. Very quickly it became the center of media attention, even being featured on Good Morning America, World News Tonight, and in the New York Times newspaper. As their internet creation flourished, they evolved their technology, and the new company name “turnitin” was created. Now they have nearly 100 employees including award-winning teachers, computer scientists, graphic designers, and business specialists. [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com) continues to be used by educators and students at

high schools, Colleges and Universities all over the world. Their headquarters is still in California, but they have 8 global offices that serve almost 130 countries. Throughout the years, [turnitin](http://turnitin.com) has developed new ideas and have launched other products that are very useful for not only educators but for the students too. So, how does [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com) work you ask? It’s a website for all users (teachers and students) to access and submit school papers, share discussions, blog, mark assignments, obtain research, access resources, get live training or user information. There are dozens of free, online tools and resources that are available 24/7. There’s no need to wait for a classroom or library to open any more! In order to use [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com), you must first have an account created which is done by your teachers or administrators. Once your account is set



up, easy access to the program (with your assigned userid and password) is just a click away. When submitting a homework assignment, [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com) will scan and report back the % (of originality) found in the document, allowing the teacher to verify plagiarism. It also retains historical information of all submitted papers. If a student shares and allows someone else to use the whole or part of their assignment, [turnitin](http://turnitin.com) will report the student’s name, the institution or website it was previously submitted under. At that point the teacher or administrator can contact the prior institution for verification if needed. Teachers can also mark assignments right online if they choose to, with the ability to use personalized comments for each student’s work. Class calendars are also online and can be accessed by students to keep apprised of homework deadlines. To see how [turnitin.com](http://turnitin.com) can be useful to you or to read more, visit [www.turnitin.com](http://www.turnitin.com).