



# Cecil B. Stirling Elementary School

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

October 27<sup>th</sup> 2020

Dear Stingers and Cecil B. Stirling Families

As you may have heard, our school board and Cecil B. Stirling specifically has experienced a significant drop in enrolment. Here at Cecil B. Stirling we have lost over 100 students. This has created the need to reorganize the school and reshuffle classes. All classes and students have been affected by this process. New class assignments for students was done thoughtfully using teacher input and putting student well being first. Today your child is walking home a letter stating their new classroom and teacher. Please reach out to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Progress Reports are completed, signed and ready to go home. They will be walked home by students on Thursday October 29<sup>th</sup>. If you have questions about your child's learning, please contact their teacher via phone (905-385-5374) or email.

This Friday, students at Cecil B. Stirling will have the opportunity to show off their costumes (no weapon-like accessories) for their classmates. Halloween celebrations are classroom/cohort only. Unfortunately, this year there is no costume parade or no candy/treat exchange.

Our wonderful Physical Education program run by Mrs. Cannon-Zdero continues to take the students outside for activity and fresh air. Research says getting outside with vitamin-D and ultraviolet light is a great way to be safe. As the weather turns colder, students will need to dress appropriately for outdoor learning and activity.

Families and students are encouraged to be vigilant around following HWDSB safety protocols. Our board's layered approach to safety asks students and staff to be in partnership for everyone's safety. These important safety measures include;

- Daily Screening and the daily attestation
- Masking and wearing of PPE
- Hand Hygiene
- Physical distancing
- Cohorting of students

If you have any questions about the above information please do not hesitate to call me (905-385-5374) or email ([dschroed@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:dschroed@hwdsb.on.ca)).

Thank you,

Dave Schroeder