

Weekly Reminders from Earl Kitchener School...

Thursday October 10th

- Cross Country Meet at Christie Lake Conservation Area ****New permission forms have been handed out and are due back no later than Monday, October 7th. ****
- Lunch Lady

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Information on Possible Strike starting Monday October 7

We will be open if there is a strike. The HWDSB schools will all remain open. Only the custodians will be on strike. All EA's, teachers and admin. staff will be at work. Please note that the SAC program (before and aftercare) will **not** be running. Also all extra curricular activities will not be running. If your child is not on our bus list, they are **NOT ALLOWED** to ride the school bus. Please check the HWDSB website for labour updates.

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/>

Picture Day Date Change

Please note that we have changed the date for picture day. It is now on October 25th, and retake day is on November 27th.

School Lockdown Drill

We will be having our first lockdown drill on October 18th. We will have our liaison officer with us.

Dogs on School Grounds

Please be advised that dogs are not allowed to be on school property, or tied to the school fence during pick-up / drop-off. Many students have a fear of dogs, as well as allergies, and we do need to ensure all students are safe while outside.

Safe Student Drop-Off

For the safety of all students, when dropping children off in the morning, parents/caregivers are required to use the designated Kiss-n-Ride area, not the street. If you need to accompany your child to the school, you must park in the designated parking areas on the side streets, and walk the student to the school.

Changes to student end of day pickup/dismissal

If you are planning on picking up your child/children earlier, or if there are different pickup/dismissal arrangements, please utilize your child's agenda by leaving a note in there for the teacher, and the teacher will then advise the office of these changes. By doing this, it will ensure that your child will be all ready to go.

Student Lunches

As the school year is off to a busy start, it is important that all students are well fed, and ready to learn. Please ensure that your student(s) have sufficient food and snacks to carry them through the day. There are two nutrition breaks during the day (10:30am and 12:50pm) which provides our students the times needed for a balanced day. Also please ensure that your student has a re-fillable water bottle each day.



Pizza, Milk & Cheese - Grades 1 to 5

Late orders will be accepted!!! Milk and cheese delivery will begin on ***Tuesday, October 15th*** and the first Pizza Day (for Grades 1 to 5) is ***Friday, October 18th***. Kindergarten pizza order forms will go out in October. Contact Danielle at ekmilkpizza@gmail.com or 289-339-3097 with any questions. (See attachments if you did not receive the information letter and the order form).

School Washroom/Access

As we are a locked facility, and for the safety of all students, access to the school, and school washroom is strictly for staff/students during regular school times. Students and parents are not allowed to access the school before or after bell times to use the washroom. If you are staying on the playground after school hours, you must make alternate arrangements for using the washroom. Please encourage your child to use the facilities prior to arriving or leaving the school.

Lunch Lady



Remember to place your order at thelunchlady.ca by Tuesday at midnight. Orders can be cancelled up until 8am on Thursday with a credit to your account. See the attached flyer for more information. Contact Chrissy at chrissy@thelunchlady.ca or 905-648-8282 with any questions. A portion of each meal purchased comes back to the school as fundraised dollars. Menus and additional information are attached.

VOLUNTEER

Volunteers



All volunteers are required to have a completed/current Vulnerable Sector Screening check. If you are new to volunteering, or if your police check is more than 3 years old, please ensure that we have a current form on file prior to helping with the school. Here is the link, and please follow the instructions on how to apply - <https://hamiltonpolice.on.ca/how-to/obtain-criminal-records-check/vulnerable-sector-check>. Please contact the school if you need to apply for subsidy.

UPCOMING.....

Monday October 14th – Thanksgiving - No school



Friday October 18th – Pizza Day

-First lockdown drill

Friday October 25th – Picture Day

Saturday October 26th – Fright Night