



Earl Kitchener Elementary School

Earl Kitchener Families!

February 2021

Hello everyone,

Hopefully you're all keeping well and just wanted to share some items for your information and consideration;

Congratulations and thank you Mme Kucic! Just prior to the winter break, Mme Kucic was successful in the promotion process and was added to the HWDSB Principal 'hiring pool'. Mme Kucic was subsequently assigned as Principal at Bennetto School effective Monday, February 1st. While we appreciate and will miss her knowledge, understanding and competence with respect to instruction, particularly as it applied to French Language programming, we wish Mme Kucic all the best in her new role.

Welcome Mrs. Sue Fox ... in the interim, and with Mme Kucic's departure, we welcome Mrs. Sue Fox as the (half time) VP for Earl Kitchener School. Mrs. Fox is a recently retired HWDSB Principal and brings with her a wealth of knowledge and experience. I look forward to working alongside Mrs. Fox over the course of the next several weeks as she is in place with us until the March break.

In December 1995, **the House of Commons officially recognized February as Black History Month in Canada** following a motion introduced by the first Black Canadian woman elected to Parliament, the Honorable Jean Augustine. During this month, various educators focus on the history and accomplishments of people of African heritage. We traditionally celebrate Black culture and history while applauding the achievements and significant contributions Black Canadians have made to build Canada, helping to make this country the diverse and strong nation it is today. Teachers have access to a variety of supports and resources to facilitate age appropriate conversations and learning with students.

Our next **School Council and Home and School** meetings will be held 'virtually' on MS Teams the evening of Tuesday, February 23rd beginning at 7:00 pm. Please consider joining us to learn more about what's happening here at EK and if you haven't already shared your email contact information for an invite to participate, please email;

earlkitchenerparentcouncil@gmail.com

Please continue check the EK website (calendar) from time to time for additional events/dates to remember and as always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out ... thank you for the continued help and support in making Earl Kitchener School a safe and great place to be!

Mr. Thorne, Mrs. Fox and the staff of Earl Kitchener School.