

# November 15 – November 19

# Gatestone Elementary School 2021-2022

Monday, November 15	Day 3	Dress for Cooler Weather! Students are reminded to
		bring all of their outdoor gear home each day.
Tuesday, November 16	Day 4	
Wednesday, November 17	Day 5	
Thursday, November 18	Day 1	
Friday, November 19	Day 2	Reports Go Home
		Remote Classes – Reports emailed

November 22-26: Bully Awareness and Prevention Week ONE KIND WORD

Transgender Awareness Week – Nov. 13-19, Transgender Remembrance Nov. 20

Progress Reports go Home Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

## One Kind Word

## **Bully Awareness and Prevention Week November 22-26**

Bully Awareness and Prevention Week will occur during the week of November 22-26.

We continue to support all of our students to be upstanders when they witness bullying. The service/app HWDSB Helps is a free and anonymous way for all students to find help and support for themselves and one another, when they don't know what to do. Concerns may relate to bullying, mental health, substance use and more. Schools are encouraged to continue to promote HWDSB Helps for anonymous reporting by students, as well as their families. This reporting can occur through the phone app, iPad app (email and call features only) or through the new links found in the student learning areas of the Hub.

To address bullying in our schools, HWDSB will be engaging with a series of Anti-Bullying Action lessons.

The lessons focus on topics such as:

- What is Power
- Being an Upstander
- The Impact and Intent of Bullying
- What Can we do as a Class/School to End Bullying

Our school will also be focusing on ONE KIND WORD as well. Our Safe and Accepting School Action Team will share more information with our classrooms regarding fun woordles that can be created during this week.

#### **Progress Reports**

Student Progress Reports go Home Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Educators will connect with families through the month of November through different ways such as email, phone call, MS Teams meeting. Parents and caregivers that wish to speak or virtually meet with their child's teacher at anytime, please contact our main office if you do not have their email.

### **Student of the Month - November**

Here are a few students we recognized this week. We will continue to recognize each week. More to come...

Grade 6-8

Igra M, James W, Abby H, Mohit B

Grade 3-5

Eli M, Jadyn B, Hasan A

**Grade K-2** 

Norah R, Aariz I

#### **NYAWEH**

Our Nyaweh program for our Grade 6 to Grade 8 students occurs every Thursday and Friday during our nutrition breaks. A few classes per month are able to join. Our students have been working on wampum necklaces and bracelets to record promises and represent family and friends. Students also learned about the story of the cornhusk and why they don't have faces.

The wampum is used primarily **for ceremonial purposes**, as a record of an important agreement or treaty, as an object of tribute given by subject tribes, or for gift exchange.

The Haudenosaunee people do not put a face on their corn husk dolls. This is to remind people,

never to think that they are better than anyone else.







