

November 22 – November 26

Gatestone Elementary School 2021-2022

Monday, November 22	Day 3	Bully Awareness and Prevention Week
Tuesday, November 23	Day 4	Gatestone Spirit Day – Wear Gatestone Gear or Colours!
Wednesday, November 24	Day 5	Wear Pink to support Bully Prevention Work in Schools
Thursday, November 25	Day 1	 10:45AM Virtual Assembly Grades 1-3 (Small vs Big Problems) Kind Words – Class Woordles and Bingo
Friday, November 26	Day 0	PD Day – Educator Training Equity Action/School Improvement Planning No School

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.



Student of the Month - November

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

<u>Grade 5-8</u>

Anwen, Grayson, Helena, Fatina, Nina, Samantha, Taylor, Rylan, Sofia,

<u>Grade 3-4</u> Victoria, Rowan, Jeremy

Grade K-2

Serena J, Njegos K, Darius, Esmay, Liam, Gavin, Logan, Serenity, Milan, Keira, Stefan, Aishvi

Human Rights Policy HWDSB

We are committed to developing a policy that reflect the voices of the communities we serve, especially those that often experience discrimination due to their race, gender, disability, ethnicity, religion, place of origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, family status and other reasons. All HWDSB community members (students, parents, caregivers, guardians, staff, volunteers,

community partners and community members) are invited to share their perspectives to inform the human rights policy and procedure.

There are four ways for students, staff, families and community members to get involved:

- Complete the human rights policy survey open until January 5, 2022
- Share responses to the Human Rights Policy discussion questions by emailing written, audio or video submissions to <u>humanrights@hwdsb.on.ca</u>.
- Send responses anonymously through this anonymous
- formhttps://ca.research.net/r/HumanRightsPolicyQuestions2021-2022
- Participate in a virtual listening session- register to one of the sessions planned between November 24 to December 16, for students, parents/ community members and staff:

Students: register here: Students Human Rights Policy

Families/community members: register here: <u>Human Rights Policy</u> Staff: register here: <u>Staff Human Rights Policy</u>