

Honey Harbour Public School

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September News 2019



Principal's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all new parents, students and staff to our Honey Harbour Public School community and to welcome back all of our current families. We are all very excited to begin this new school year. We have already been working to plan many exciting and educationally sound events for this fall and throughout the year. As a group of educators, we are looking forward to a year full of challenges and growth, teamwork and opportunities, accomplishments and triumphs. We encourage dialogue between community members, students and staff to ensure success is achieved. We also invite you to come into the school and to be part of the many celebrations that will happen over the course of this year.

We have relocated some of our classrooms this year. All of our classrooms are now opening to the main hall in the school. Our 'Littles' now have a bathroom right in their very own room.

There is a very important and exciting campaign that is being facilitated board wide, namely, '**I'm Here**'. We began this campaign at our school at our very first assembly on Monday, September 3rd by sharing with our students the importance of being at school each day and being on time. Please see a further description of this campaign below, or on our website.

If you have any questions or concerns about any issues, please feel free to drop by and see me or contact me by email or phone.

We are all looking forward to a great year.

2019/2020 Staff List

Principal
French
JK/SK/1

Special Education
Resource Teacher
Grades 2/3
Grades 4/5/6/7/8
Prep Teacher
Educational
Assistant
Secretarial staff
Custodial staff

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome all of our staff back to school and to introduce our new teachers, Miss. B. Fell and Miss J Fell.. Miss B Fell will be supporting learning in the 'middles' class as their classroom teacher. Miss. J Fell will be supporting the 'Littles' program on day 4 and day 5 while Mrs. Shelly assumes her role as Special Education Resource Teacher.

Deb Wines
Ryan Murphy
Denise Shelly
Johanna Fell
Denise Shelly

Brittany Fell
Ryan Murphy
Deb Wines

Tracey Devine
Kaitlyn Bell
Marie Fraser

We also welcome Miss Abrams who is joining us Mondays and Tuesdays as she finishes her learning program as an Early Childhood Educator. She will be working with the 'Middles' to support the program until December. We also welcome Miss Devine who will be volunteering in our classrooms Tuesday and Wednesday over the course of the fall.

I'm Here

We know from experience, and what research confirms: showing up for school matters. When students attend school, they are more likely to achieve in math, reading, and writing. When students are involved and invested in their school community early on, they typically remain involved and invested in their secondary school experience. Attendance matters because students who show up on a regular, and consistent basis are more likely to enrol in a post secondary program.



School attendance is a community responsibility and everyone has a role to play in helping improve school attendance. Trillium Lakelands District School Board recently launched a new attendance management campaign, I'm Here, to raise awareness of the importance of showing up to school and improve attendance numbers.

Where do you as parents come in?

You as parents, are partners in your child's attendance. I'm Here means you are ready to assist. Ready to encourage your children, ready to reach out and ask for help if they need to, ready to team up with teachers, and ready to make plans to ensure their children get to school!

Learn more about the recently launched I'm Here campaign and how you can assist your child(s) by visiting tldsbc.ca/ImHere.

Dressed for the Business of Learning

Our school has adopted an acceptable dress code policy where bare midriffs are unacceptable. Low cut tops, short shorts and micro mini skirts are also not suitable. Underwear is not to be visible beyond outer garments. Articles of clothing with pictures/phrases that promote alcohol/drug consumption or with inappropriate suggestive phrases are not acceptable as well. Hats, hoods, bandanas, visors and other headwear shall be removed when entering the school.

Yearley Outdoor Education Centre

Students from grades 4 – 8 will be travelling to Yearley Outdoor Education Centre September 17th – 18th, for a unique experiential learning opportunity. We wish them well as they engage in the opportunity to learn in a hands on approach

Picture Day

Photographers will be here on Friday, September 20th, for school photos. More information to follow.

Terry Fox Run and Community Barbeque

September 23rd is our annual Terry Fox run. Historically, our students and community have raised record amounts of money for this worthwhile fundraising initiative. We begin the run at 12:40 p.m. with a community Barbeque. Following lunch, students participate in the run. This is a great day for all and a chance for you to meet our new staff and connect with those already here. So...mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Meet the Teacher Night

On September 23rd, from 4:30 – 6:00, for those of you who are not able to attend the Terry Fox Run and BBQ, staff would like to welcome you the school to meet our new staff and visit those you already know.



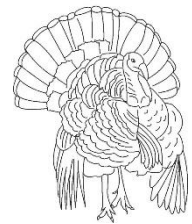
Orange Shirt Day

Every Child Matters is an event that recognizes the survivors of residential schools – and acknowledges those who did not.

Orange Shirt Day is an opportunity for First Nations, local governments, schools and communities to come together in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come. Trillium Lakelands District School Board is committed to advancing the spirit of reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. Everyone in TLDSB is asked to get involved in honouring all those who attended residential schools by wearing an orange shirt this **Monday, September 30th**! And by sharing your stories on social media, you can help spread the word, raise awareness, and honour our Indigenous communities.

Turkey Trot

We have brought back the popular Turkey Trot this fall to increase our fitness levels. We will be running a Turkey Trot as part of keeping active this fall. A turkey trot involves running, jogging, or walking around the school perimeter (Kindergartens have a shorter distance) and earning tickets for each lap completed. All grades from K to 8 are involved. The tickets are placed in a bucket for a draw on Thursday, October 10. The winning participants will take home a frozen turkey (small). It is a fun way to keep active. If you have any questions please give us a call. We are accepting frozen turkeys. If you would like to donate one, please send a note to your classroom teacher to let us know how many we will need to order. We are very thankful to all of the people in our community who continue to support our school with their donations.



School Council

Our first meeting for School Council will be held on Thursday, October 3, 2019, at 4:15. We welcome all of our parents to come out and be a part of this group. At our first meeting, we will hold elections for the specific elected positions, however, all parents and community members are always welcome to attend any of our meetings throughout the year. Information on each of the elected roles will be outlined in the information coming home.

Did You Know, you can also follow us on Twitter @Honey Harbour Public school or view our website homepage at <https://hhp.tdsb.on.ca/>.

Criminal Reference Check

If you don't have a criminal reference check and you may want to volunteer at the school, or accompany your child on a class trip, now is the time to apply. There is no charge for volunteers requesting the check. Please contact us at the school and we will provide you with a letter that must accompany your application. Completed reference checks are sent directly to the applicant. If you have a reference check from last year, please come in to the school and sign an Offence Declaration.

Transportation

1. Each school has a defined area for determining transportation. Out-of-area student's transportation will be the responsibility of the parent.
2. Daily transportation for eligible students residing outside the designated walking area is provided by the Board.
3. Students may be required to walk up to 0.8 km to a designated bus pick-up point.
4. An alternate existing stop may be granted if that pick-up/drop-off point is on the same bus route. A WRITTEN request by the parent/guardian must be first approved by the principal or designate.
5. Arrangements may be made for ONE alternate Childcare or Custody pick-up/drop-off location and must be for a FIXED, REGULAR schedule.
6. This year, parents can Login to the BusPlannerWeb to check their child's transportation arrangements/weather related cancellations using a secure login. Visit www.mybustoschool.ca for more information. Parents require their child's OEN number (available from their report card), the child's birth date, grade and school.

Safe Arrival

Please remember to call the school, **705-756-2433**, to leave a message before 8:40 a.m. if your child is going to be late or absent.

Electronic Devices

We discourage electronic devices being brought to school. Please remember that the school is **not responsible for the loss and/or damage** of such personal belongings.

Peachjar

Is an electronic flyer communication tool used to view school-approved eflyers. Simply click the Peachjar button on the school's website homepage.



You also have the option of having these eflyers delivered right to your inbox! **Please visit [Peachjar.com](https://peachjar.com) to register.** This system is used exclusively for distribution of school-approved flyers, e.g. soccer, preschool and school fundraising information. Your email address will never be shared or used for any other purpose.

News from the Gym :)

Welcome back everyone to another school year! Reminders to all that physical and outdoor education will take place indoors and outdoors...students are asked to be prepared with the appropriate footwear and clothing. Proper, safe footwear is a must for all students...that means running shoes with a good grip for both indoor and outdoor play.

There will be several sports events coming up and we will be sending home specific letters and permission forms for events.

Ears and Eyes

It is important for students that they are able to see and hear properly in order to maximize their learning experiences. We are so very fortunate in our province that our students have access to medical assessments that can determine whether their eyesight and hearing is optimal. By accessing your health care practitioner, you are able to access free assessments in this important part of their childhood development.



September 2019 at a Glance

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	3 (1)	4 (2)	5 (3)	6 (4)
9 (5)	10 (1)	11 (2)	12 (3)	13 (4)
16 (5)	17 (1) Yearley	18 (2) Yearley	19 (3)	20 (4) Picture Day
23 (5) Barbeque Lunch Terry Fox Walk/Runathon Meet the Teacher	24 (1)	25 (2)	26 (3)	27 (4)
30 (5) Orange Shirt Day				

(#) indicates day in 5 day cycle

