TRILLIUM WOODS E. S. November 2021

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ADMIN MESSAGE

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Dear TWES Families,

During the month of November, we will experience lower temperatures along with less desirable weather conditions, but our students will continue to play and learn outside. We ask that you send your child(ren) dressed for changing/worsening weather. Layers often work best, and an extra pair of socks and pants are always worthwhile.

During the week of November 14th, families will have an opportunity to meet in person or virtually with their child(ren)'s educator for this year's student conferences. We're using an online booking system this year, and you can access this link to book a 15-minute slot with your child(ren)'s teacher. The deadline to book a student conference interview is 9 pm Sunday, Nov 13th. We also have our School Spirit wear on sale which can be accessed at this on-line store. Orders are due Nov 14th. There have been lots of school extracurricular activities and fundraisers going on these past months, and we are extremely grateful to our teachers for providing these opportunities to our students.

Congratulations to all our Cross-Country runners who participated in the Regionals and County meet.

Congratulations to our school's Flag Football team for winning this year's Simcoe County Flag Football tournament. Way to go Tornados!

Mr. Disu and Mrs. Collingbourne

DOGS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

To support the health and safety of students, staff, parents and others on school property, animals are not permitted on school property without the prior, written permission of the Principal or designate. This general prohibition includes, but is not limited to, dogs, cats, birds and potentially dangerous exotic animals. Service dogs permitted.



Please note that Friday, Nov. 18 is a PA Day for all SCDSB students. Please refer to the 2022-2023 School Year Calendar on the SCDSB website for more information: www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/planning for school/

Our Trillium Woods intermediate boys' volleyball season is well underway! The team is enjoying learning about the game and practicing together. We have several scheduled games over the month of November and are looking forward to our first game on November 4th. The boys will play in their tournament on either November 29th or December 8th, depending on how the season goes. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson want to give a special shout out to this year's team; Adam, Graham, Lucas, Cohen, Kyle, Mathias, Takudzwa, Carter, Rodrigo, Alekai, Alec, Lukas and Ramzy. Go Tornadoes!



November	Financial Literacy Month
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November 1-30	Movember
November 6-12	Treaties Recognition Week
November 10	Progress Reports Go Home
November 11	Remembrance Day
November 13	World Kindness Day
November 14-18	Parent/Teacher Interviews
November 14-18	Bullying Awareness Week
November 17	Spirit Day—Sunglasses —wear funky sun- glasses
November 18	PD Day
November 16-21	Book Fair (ask Corley how she wants this)
November 21	Parent Council
November 29	Eat Well to Excel Day
November 28	Picture Retake Day
November 30	Spirit Day - Moustache Day

<u>Trillium Woods is teaming up with Barrie Colts</u> once again this year!

Our school game is Saturday, December 10th versus the Sudbury Wolves. Tickets cost \$23 and are available for purchase using School Cash Online. Up to \$6 of every ticket sold by Trillium

Woods will come directly back to the school, so why not have a fun night out with family and friends?!

Have a choir member in your household? This year, our choir will be performing O'Canada on the ice! All choir members planning to perform must have a purchased ticket for the game. More information about the choir will be coming soon from Ms. Ringhofer!

Get your tickets today, Tornadoes!

Royal Canadian Legion poppy campaign

The SCDSB has a time honoured relationship with the local Royal Canadian Legions through the annual poetry and poster competitions and the annual poppy



campaign. We will not be collecting cash donations from students this year. Instead, a donation can be made in School Cash Online. Families who wish to make their own donation can do so through the Royal Canadian Legion's poppy campaign directly:

https://www.legion.ca/remembrance/the-poppy.



Character attribute for the month of November

Courage - we do the right thing even when it's difficult.

More information about character education can be found here: www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character education

Parents/quardians and students invited to learn about planning for the skilled trades at virtual event on Dec. 1.

Are you not fully sold on the skilled trades as a career? Not everyone is. On Thursday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m., participants in What our School Families Need to Know About Skilled Trades Careers will learn about apprenticeship pathways and can hear how to best explore a career in the trades while still in high school. Parents/guardians and Grade 7 to 12 students can consider what one employment researcher has discovered about contradictory perspectives on skilled trades careers.

He will share findings based on interviews with hundreds of tradespeople and reveal the results of surveying 500 parents/guardians.

This interactive virtual evening, presented by the Simcoe County District School Board, will feature Dr. Jon Callegher, Executive Director at Job Talks, and will include information about apprenticeship, tech ed in our schools, cooperative education, and a question-and-answer segment. Participants can submit questions in advance here: https://forms.gle/K1fHeartoGYnDd3u8.

More information regarding the event will be shared in the coming weeks on the SCDSB's website (scdsb.on.ca) and social media accounts.

Ventilation

The Ministry of Education ventilation strategy is one strategy that was implemented in schools to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission and to support healthier and safer learning environments. The SCDSB has fully functioning mechanical ventilation systems at all schools. Learn more on our website.

Library News

THE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING!!



Mrs. Marling is very excited to announce that our library will be hosting a hybrid Scholastic

Book Fair November 16-21st! Students will be able to shop in person in the library during the school day. Parents can either access the book fair virtually through this website: https:// virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5173201 (copy and paste into your browser), or visit our library on Thursday, November 17th from 3:30-7:30 p.m. or Friday, November 18th from 9-11 a.m. Books ordered online will be delivered to the school and distributed to the students. Please help support our library!! Visa/MasterCard/American Express, Debit and cash will be accepted.

Help!

Our library is still missing MANY books that were taken out pre -pandemic. Please take a look around your home to see if you have any library books belonging to Trillium Woods and return them to school as soon as you can! Thank you.

Sora

Have you met Sora? Our digital ebook/audiobook collection

contains over 4,000 titles waiting to be checked out by our SCDSB students. Students simply download the app. Use their SCDSB login and start reading for free on their phone or tablet. The collection can be accessed at: www.meetsoraapp.com.



Happy Reading! Mrs. Marling

Inclement weather and bus cancellation information reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student



Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca.

Our school is in the CENTRAL zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. School staff are expected to plan for such emergencies in order to transition students who are unable to attend due to inclement weather, to their online platforms (Google Classroom and/or SCDSBhub [Brightspace by D2L]) and continue with academic programming. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

The Consortium and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled in the morning will not run at the end of the day. You can follow the Consortium on Twitter @SCSTC SchoolBus for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: https:// scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx.

Grade 1 French Immersion information

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) offers French Immersion (FI) at select schools throughout



Simcoe County beginning in Grade 1. The goal of the FI program is to enable students to communicate in French with a high level of proficiency, enabling them to function with ease in both French and English. Upon graduation from the program, students will communicate in French with confidence in a wide variety of real-life situations.

Grade 1 FI family information nights are held annually in advance of the application process for the following school year. This year, FI family information nights will be held in-person throughout the month of November at the respective FI school locations. The designated Grade 1 FI site for our school is Ferndale Woods E.S. The information night for this school will take place on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 6 pm at Ferndale Woods E.S. 170 Ferndale Drive S.

The SCDSB board-wide electronic applications for the Grade 1 FI program for all sites will open Thursday, Dec. 1 at 9 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16. Entry into the FI program is determined through a digitally randomized lottery system.



Treaties Recognition Week takes place Nov. 6 to 12

Treaties Recognition Week was introduced in 2016 to honour the importance of treaties and to help

Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and treaty relationships. Treaties Recognition Week is the first week of November every year - this year it is Nov. 6 to 12. This annual event honours the importance of treaties and helps students and residents of Ontario learn more about treaty rights and relationships. By learning more about our collective treaty rights and obligations, we can create greater understanding and nurture these relationships. Take some time Nov. 6 to 12 to learn about the treaty in your area. To learn more about the treaties and how we can honour them, visit www.ontario.ca/page/treaties.

High school information events for Grade 8 students

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information events



will take place in-person this winter! Student leaders and staff at the school will give an overview of what's new and what to expect. Learn about courses offered, as well as information about teams and clubs. Please visit the SCDSB website at www.scdsb.on.ca/secondary/planning for high school to find details on your high schools' info night, and contact the school directly for more information.

Extra mathematics support for Grades 4 to 12 Are you looking for extra mathematics support for your Grade 4 to 12 student? TVO Mathify offers free 1:1 online Grade 4 to 12 math tutoring to students enrolled in Ontario's publicly funded English-language schools. Features include an interactive whiteboard, as well as voice and text chat to make it easy to upload a math question and figure it out with the support of a math tutor, at a time that works for you.

Connect with an Ontario Certified Teacher of your choice. It is anonymous and secure, and can be used from a phone, tablet or computer. Math tutors are available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 3:30 to 9 p.m. Sunday.

All SCDSB students from Grades 4 to 12 have been preregistered for this amazing service. For quick access to TVO Mathify:

- 1. Find the link in your child's Google waffle to the SCDSBhub
- 2. Look for the TVO Mathify icon on their dashboard.



Your child will not need to enter their OEN number or any identifying information when TVO Mathify is accessed through the SCDSBhub.

Nov. 29 is Eat Well to Excel Day in Simcoe County

Eat Well to Excel is a Simcoe County non-profit community partnership that supports our school's student nutrition program. The funding provided by Eat Well to Excel allows us to supply students with access to healthy snacks during the school day.



The pandemic has caused a significant financial strain on many families in our region and new data shows that 1 in 3 kids in Canada are at risk of going to school hungry. Kids that are hungry struggle to retain knowledge and keep focused throughout the day. They are also at an increased risk of experiencing poor mental health and a compromised immune system. With your support we can maintain and hopefully improve our program to provide a consistent supply of healthy food to our students.

You can make a donation by visiting eatwelltoexcel.ca. You can either support the county-wide program or direct your donation to our school. Please include our school name in the comment box to ensure the donation goes directly to our program. A tax receipt will be emailed to you. For more information about Eat Well to Excel visit eatwellto-excel.ca.