

TRILLIUM WOODS E. S.

October 2022

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ADMIN MESSAGE

Dear TWES Families,

We wish to thank all of our families for your patience and support during our return to school last month. The school has now completed its reorganization to better align our class sizes with the Ministry of Education's class size targets and caps. While it is never ideal to undergo this type of change, our students have settled into their new classrooms and we are looking forward to their progress during the months ahead. Throughout the 2022-2023 school year, the Trillium Woods' staff are committed to ensuring the students of Trillium Woods are engaged and on the path to greater success.

Trillium Woods has our Meet the Staff night on Thursday, October 6th and we look forward to seeing our families in the building. Mr. Disu and Mrs. Collingbourne will be on hand to give out the pizzas that families have ordered.

Our Walking Wednesdays will begin on October 5th and this On the Move projects continues this year. We love to see our students walking or wheeling to school and we will be encouraging students and their families to do this all year long.

Mr. Disu and Mrs. Collingbourne

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, October 10	Thanksgiving—school closed
Tuesday, October 11	School Council Elections & Meeting 6-8 PM in the Library
Wednesday, October 12	Cross Country Regional Meet
Wednesday, October 19	Cross Country County Meet
Friday, October 21	Flag Football Regional Tournament
Monday, October 24	PD Day (no school)
Thursday, October 27	Flag Football County Tournament
Monday, October 31	Spirit Day 'Hallowe'en'
Friday, November 4	School Photo Day
Thursday, November 10	Gr. 7/8 SMDHU Immunization Clinic
Thursday, November 10	Progress Report Cards go home

MEET THE STAFF EVENING

Meet the Staff evening was a huge success with many families visiting the school and their child(ren)'s classrooms.



Thank you to everyone who attended and we look forward to additional family events through the school year.

DOGS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY

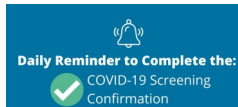
To support the health and safety of students, staff, parents and others on school property, animals are not permitted on school property without the prior, written permission of the Principal or designate. This general prohibition includes, but is not limited to, dogs, cats, birds and potentially dangerous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



Self-assessment

Daily COVID-19 self-assessment

All students and staff will be required to complete the daily COVID-19 self-assessment prior to entering SCDSB schools and buildings, using the provincial self-assessment tool. Students or staff with symptoms must stay home from school. To access the COVID-19 self-assessment tool, please visit <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>



LUNCHBOX LUNCH ORDERS

Trillium Woods is excited to announce the partnership in delivering lunches to our students. This year we have available on Mondays—Subs from Subway; Wednesdays—Pasta from Pizza Palace and Fridays—Pizza from Pizza Palace.

Please note that because we are a walking school that Lunchbox will still be delivered on bus cancellation days. If you wish to pick up your absent child(ren)'s lunchbox orders, please call the school the morning before 11 AM that your child(ren) will be absent.

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM

All Grade 7 and 8 students are once again being offered three free vaccines through the health unit's school immunization program. These vaccines are free only through the school immunization program and not at your family doctor.



These vaccines include: hepatitis B (hep B), human papilloma-virus vaccine (HPV) and meningococcal. The clinics for these three vaccines are being scheduled for Grade 7 and 8 students starting this fall.

While all three vaccines are strongly recommended, Meningococcal vaccine is required by law, under the Immunization of School Pupils Act (ISPA), for school attendance. More information will be sent home prior to the school clinic for review by parents and students.

For more information about routine vaccinations, visit the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit [Grade 7 and 8 Immunization Program page](#).

Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 9 to 15

This year, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is celebrating its 100th anniversary. The 2022 Fire Prevention Week theme, 'Fire won't wait. Plan your escape™', works to educate everyone about simple but important actions they can take to keep themselves and those around them safe from home fires. For more information about Fire Prevention Week and this year's theme, along with a wealth of resources to help promote the campaign locally, visit fpw.org.



Days of Awareness and Recognition taking place in October

Throughout the year, there are many awareness days that focus on different causes and recognition. The Simcoe County District School Board has developed a list of these days as a guide for schools. Schools may participate in recognizing some or all of these days in various ways. This list is not exhaustive. Following are the days of awareness and recognition that the SCDSB will recognize during the month of October:

October	Canadian Autism Awareness Month
Oct. 3	National Custodial Workers Recognition Day
Oct. 5	World Teachers' Day
Oct. 5	International Walk to School Day
Oct. 10	World Mental Health Day
Oct. 11	International Day of the Girl
Oct. 17-21	National School Bus Safety Week
Oct. 20	School Bus Driver Appreciation Day
Oct. 21	Child Care Worker and ECE Appreciation Day
Oct. 27	Ontario Dress Purple Day - Association of Children's Aid Societies

Upcoming in-person Grade 1 French Immersion information sessions

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 English and French.

Families who are considering entry into Grade 1 FI for the 2023-24 school year will be accepted in December 2022.

Entry into the FI program will be determined through a digitally randomized lottery system. A link to access the Grade 1 FI online application form will be available on the SCDSB website starting at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 1 until 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16.

For more information regarding French Immersion, visit: www.scdsb.on.ca, then select 'elementary', and 'French as a Second Language'.



Trillium Woods Staff

Dyck, C./Faria, S.	JK/SK	Robertson, M.	Gr. 7
Cain, M./Watkin, K.	JK/SK	Sarginson, B.	Gr. 7
Cadieux, A./Vertrano, S.	JK/SK	Chenette, C.	Gr. 8
MacMillan, A.		Robertson, G.	Gr. 8
Stephen, L./Carson, L.	JK/SK	Fisher, B.	Gr. 4, 5 LC
Guppy, P.	EA	Peters, B.	Gr. 6, 7 & 8 LC
Kell, J.	EA	Marling, C.	Librarian
Roshani, A.	EA	Ringhofer, R.	Music Teacher
Gogolin, A.	Gr. 1	Lind, S.	Planning Time
Golden, J.	Gr. 1 & 2	Schalay, K.	Special Education
Ma, M.	Gr. 1 & 2	Powell, S.	FSL/PT Teacher
Klassen, C.	Gr. 2 & 3	Duprey, S.	FSL Teacher
Picco, S.	Gr. 2	McArthur, A.	CYW
Gillen, T.	Gr. 2 & 3	Cameron, J.	Custodian
Coleman, R.	Gr. 3	Plummer, P.	Custodian
Buchanan, M.	Gr. 3	LaCouvée, L.	SAS-E
Chant, C.	Gr. 4	Laronde, M.	Clerk Steno
Gross, D.	Gr. 4 & 5	Disu, O.	Principal
Gibbs-White, L.	Gr. 5	Collingbourne, S.	Vice-Principal
Ryan, E.	Gr. 6		
Rand, A.	Gr. 6		
Stewart, D.	Gr. 6 & 7		

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](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>.



Get on the move

There are many benefits to walking or wheeling to school. Walking or wheeling to school reduces traffic, helps students establish healthy lifestyles, is better for the environment and enhances community safety. Wherever possible, we encourage students within walking zones to *get on the move* and walk or wheel to school. For more information please visit the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit website here: bit.ly/30C4CJ9



Parents' guide to mathematics

Are you curious about how you can support your child's growth as a mathematician? Visit the parents' guide to mathematics at ontario.ca/page/new-math-curriculum-grades-1-8, where you can find a summary of the knowledge and skills your child will be learning as they progress through each grade, information about how you can support your child's learning, and how the curriculum was developed.

You can make a difference and support your child's learning by making math a regular part of your day-to-day life at home. You can help your children make connections between what they learn in school and everyday experiences at home and in the community.

You can:

- find ways to incorporate math at home
- inspire a love of learning and better understanding of math
- talk with your child about their math schoolwork
- show an interest in what they are learning in class
- help make learning fun by finding real world applications of what they are learning together

For more ways to support your child's math learning at home, please visit: ontario.ca/page/support-your-childs-math-learning.



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School bus transportation information available from the SCSTC



In order to receive delay and cancellation notifications, families can check the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) website at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca or download the 'BusPlanner Delays' app from the Apple or Android app stores to receive delay notifications to their devices. Users would need to select Simcoe County STC as the transportation authority. The app will need to be forced closed, but you will be able to select your student(s) routes or school to receive delays. The app will send a general notice for any cancellation in Simcoe County. You only need to know which 'zone' you're in, so you would know which one to look out for in the app. You can find your student's zone by visiting the School Bus Status page at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca and clicking the dropdown for the area you live in.

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: meet.soraapp.com.

School Bus Safety Week and School Bus Driver Appreciation Day

School Bus Safety Week takes place Oct. 17 to 21, 2022. Please visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) website at main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca for information on school bus safety and links to school bus safety resources. Wed., Oct. 19, 2022 is School Bus Driver Appreciation Day in the province of Ontario. It's a great opportunity for the school community to thank our bus drivers for all their hard work transporting students to and from school safely.



Thank you, Mrs. Gorete!!

Character Attribute for the month of October

Cooperation - we work together towards shared goals and purposes. More information about Character Education can be found here:

www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character_education



Immunization Records

Has your child already received their routine immunizations? As a parent or guardian, **you are required to report your child's immunizations** to your local public health unit if your child attends school.

The following are required immunizations:

- Tetanus, Diphtheria, Polio and Pertussis (whooping cough)
- Measles, Mumps and Rubella—must have two doses after the first birthday
- Meningococcal Disease

The health unit does not receive immunization information directly from doctors' offices. Please update your child's immunization record every time your child receives a vaccine from their health care provider by completing the secure electronic form on our website at smdhu.org/immsonline.

What you can do:

Check—your child's yellow immunization card

Contact—your child's health-care provider to obtain records, or to get missing vaccinations

Share—go to smdhu.org to enter the complete record or fax a completed record to 705-726-3962.

For more information, visit our [school immunization records page](#)

Gifted Screening Process



Students who display an advanced degree of general intellectual ability require additional program support in order to reach their educational potential. This support may

be through enhancing the curriculum, differentiated instruction and through providing program extensions and enrichment.

This type of programming is important to engage, motivate and challenge students who are identified as gifted in either the regular classroom or in gifted classroom placements.

Parents/guardians of a student who will be in or above Grade 3 in this school year, who wish to nominate their child for gifted screening, are asked to contact Mr. Fisher at rfisher@scdsb.on.ca before Wednesday, October 19th.

Students may be nominated by teacher or parent/guardian.

A letter explaining the gifted screening process in greater detail will be sent to parents/guardians of students in Grade 3 at a later date.

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Procedures help keep our school safe

The safety and well-being of students is our top priority. We have a number of procedures in place to keep our school safe. You can help your child understand and feel safe by:



- talking to them about the situations below;
- reminding them that emergencies are rare; and,
- telling them it's important to follow staff instructions in these situations.

Parents/guardians should talk about the following emergency drills with their children:

- **Shelter in place:** a procedure used during hazardous environmental or weather-related situation, where it is necessary to keep all occupants within the school to protect them from an external situation at or near the school. Examples may include chemical spills, blackouts, explosions, or extreme weather conditions.

- **Hold and secure:** a response to a threat in the general vicinity of a school, but not related to the school. This could be a police pursuit, a crime in progress or an active search by local police for a suspect. All building entrances should be locked to restrict access of unwanted individuals. Generally, school activities may continue as usual inside the building; however, a decision about this will be made by the principal in consultation with the local police services.

- **Lockdown:** a procedure used in response to a major incident or threat of violence inside the school, or in relation to the school. In this case staff and students are directed to lock themselves in designated safe areas. A lockdown is an emergency response to an imminent threat. Interior doors are locked, lights are shut off and blinds are drawn. Students and staff remain quiet. Schools practice lockdown drills at least two times per year. In the unlikely event of an actual lockdown situation, police ask that parents/guardians do not go to the school. Information will be communicated through the school board social media sites (www.facebook.com/SCDSB and www.twitter.com/SCDSB_Schools), the board website (www.scdsb.on.ca), and through local police and local media.

All schools have evacuation plans in case of gas leaks, bomb threats or fire incidents that would require everyone to leave the school. Each school has two evacuation sites. Ours are Holly Meadows E.S. at 151 Mapleton Avenue and Peggy Hill Rec Centre at 171 Mapleton Avenue. We hold drills to practice our evacuation plan. In a real evacuation, students and staff may go to the evacuation site, depending on the situation. Parents/guardians will be informed about pickup procedures by the school, school board and local media.

When parents/guardians are at school during a drill or emergency event, they must follow direction from school staff, police, fire and/or emergency personnel. Parents/guardians may not have immediate access to their child(ren) during drills or emergencies. They may need to wait until the situation is resolved and school staff and/or emergency personnel release students into parent/guardian care.

It's important for you to know that we will always take whatever precautions are necessary to keep our students and school safe.

Join us! A learning series for parents/guardians with Pine River Institute



Mental health and well-being continues to be a key strategic priority within the SCDSB. We are pleased to continue our partnership with the Centre for Family Initiatives at Pine River Institute (CFI@PRI) to provide several curated learning sessions focused on student mental health and well-being to SCDSB families, staff and within the SCDSB's broader school communities.

There are five webinars in the learning series specifically planned for parents, guardians and other caregivers during this school year.

Oct. 20, 2022	Screen Time 2.0
Dec. 8, 2022	How to Manage Another's Anxiety
Feb. 9, 2023	Guide to Attuned Limit Setting
March 2, 2023	Emotional Regulation for Kids and Adults
April 27, 2023	The Biology of Stress

We hope you save these dates in your calendar and join us for these learning opportunities. For more information and to register, please visit the SCDSB website:

<https://bit.ly/3jGaC74>.

Pine River Institute is a live-in treatment centre and outdoor leadership experience for youth aged 13 to 19 struggling with addictive behaviours and often other mental health issues. Combining therapy with a fully-accredited education program, PRI reinforces the healthy life skills required for a successful future. CFI@PRI extends PRI's knowledge, experience and evidence-informed treatment approach to families and care providers in the community to support youth mental wellness and prevent the need for more intensive interventions. Learn more about PRI by visiting their website at www.pineriverinstitute.com.

The SCDSB Human Rights and Equity Office



The SCDSB Human Rights and Equity Office (HREO) is a safe and confidential space to identify matters related to discrimination, harassment and human rights violations. The HREO's goal is to create and maintain a safe, caring and inclusive learning and working environment by promoting and protecting the human rights of SCDSB students and staff.

At the SCDSB Board Meeting on August 31, 2022 the SCDSB Human Rights and Equity Policy (<https://bit.ly/3dkjW0t>) was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Visit the SCDSB website to learn more:

https://www.scdsb.on.ca/about/human_rights_and_equity_office.



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S	First Day of School September 6, 2022
ETD	Elementary Turnaround Day Tuesday, September 27, 2022
RC	Elementary Report Card Days November 10, 2022, February 17, 2023, June 23, 2023
EP	Elementary Professional Activity Days 2022: September 26, October 24, November 18 2023: January 27, April 28, June 2, June 30
H	Holidays 2022: September 5, October 10, December 26-30 2023: January 2-6, February 20, March 13-17, April 7-10, May 22