

November 2019

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The Hornet



HPS Reminders

Office

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Safe Arrival

705-789-0165

- Pizza Days are Thursday. Ordering is done Tuesday morning.
- Milk \$1.00

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Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Students in grades 1 to 8 will be bringing home the fall progress report card on November 20th. This report is designed to let you know how your child is progressing and comments on how your child is developing learning skills and work habits that are essential for success. It also reports on the students' progress in all academic subjects. I encourage you to look closely at the suggestions it provides on how you can support your child's learning at home. An opportunity to meet with the teacher will follow the report. We have set aside the evening of November 27th between 4:30 and 8:30 for parent/teacher interviews. Please contact your child's teacher to set up a date and time that works for you. The first full report card will be going home in February.

Our parent council does many events to help our school. Please keep an eye out for monthly hot lunches. The proceeds from the hot lunches are used to supplement year end trips for classes. Even if you are not able to attend our monthly meetings, we can always use a helping hand. The next big event is the Christmas Craft Show that runs the weekend of Dec 7 and 8th. If you are able to spare a couple of hours of time, it would really be appreciated. Another event is Paul Davis coming to the Algonquin Theatre on December 6th at 7pm. Paul is a social media expert and talks to parents across the country about the importance of parents being involved in their children's social media lives. Please check out the link to learn more about Paul Davis. <https://www.bttoronto.ca/videos/protecting-kids-from-social-media/>

Thank you to parents for recognizing the importance of being at school regularly and on time. We have noticed that student attendance is improving so we thank you for making this a priority.

We have a couple of staffing changes as well. Sarah Thatcher got .2 at Spruce Glen so she will continue on with us .8 of her time. Kathy Janelle also got a position at Monck PS which begins later this week. We will be filling positions ASAP.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us at the school.

T. Truax
Principal

D. Thompson
Vice Principal

GRADE 7 IMMUNIZATIONS:

Students in Grade 7 will be receiving immunizations on Friday, November 15.

POINSETTIA ORDERS:



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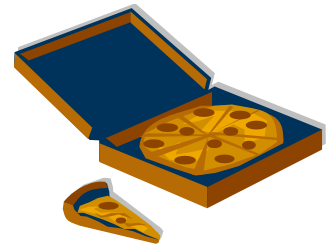
Poinsettia orders went home last week. They are on sale until Dec. 5 with a delivery date of Dec.13.

MILK AND PIZZA :



Milk – White and chocolate milk are for sale at both nutrition breaks for \$1.00. Milk cards are available at \$10.00 for 11 milks and are available in the office to purchase.

Pizza – **Orders must be placed each Tuesday morning with the student's classroom teacher.** Pizza is delivered on **Thursdays**. Pizza flavours include cheese, Hawaiian, and cheese with pepperoni. Each slice is \$2.00. If you would like to pay in advance – e.g. \$10.00 for 5 pizza slices – please buy tickets from the classroom teacher.



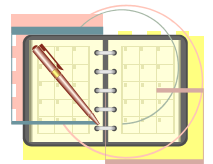
PICTURE RETAKE DAY:

Picture retake day will be Thursday November 14, 2019.



MESSAGES TO STUDENTS:

Please use the agenda to direct your children to their end of day activities. Calling the office should be for plans that have been changed or for emergency instructions.



Huntsville Public School 7th Annual Christmas Bazaar

Saturday December 7th 9am to 4pm
&
Sunday December 8th 10am to 3pm
at
Huntsville Public School



*Over 30 vendors
Bake Sale, Lunch Counter and Raffle
Gift Wrapping Available
FREE ADMISSION*

MATH WE HAVE LEARNED-GEOMETRY:

Throughout the month of October students have been focusing on Geometry expectations. The curriculum notes that in geometry: “students learn to recognize basic shapes and figures, to distinguish between the attributes of an object that are geometric properties and those that are not, and to investigate the shared properties of classes of shapes and figures” (pg. 9).

To these ends, our kids have been identifying and describing common two-dimensional shapes. They have been classifying shapes by their geometric properties, in increasingly complex ways. For example, our youngest students might identify the number of sides and/or the number of vertices on a particular shape. In later grades students pay attention to side lengths, number of interior angles, sets of parallel sides and/or the angle measurements. Students in all grades work with the concepts of symmetry and explore 3-dimensional shapes.

Vocabulary plays an important role in this Geometry unit as students carefully explain their thinking. Students might begin by describing the colour differences between the rectangle and trapezoid below. Colour, size and texture are examples of attributes of a shape. In order to describe the geometric properties of these two shapes, students might mind:

- side lengths
- angle measurements
- sets of parallel sides
- the number of lines of symmetry



You might help your child develop his/her geometric thinking by talking about and identifying:

- common 2-d shapes in your world (i.e. circle, triangle, rectangle, square, pentagon, rhombus, hexagon, heptagon, octagon)
- differences and similarities between 2-d shapes (i.e. a rectangle and a square)
- 2-d shapes that make up 3-d figures (i.e. how many squares and rectangles can be found on the kleenex box)
- angles in your world (Grade 3: the concept of greater than/less than/equal to a right angle is introduced, Grade 4: students identify straight & right angles, Grade 5 & beyond: students identify acute, right, obtuse and straight angles)
- Similar and congruent shapes (Grade 7/8)
- Quadrilaterals (4-sided shapes) that have diagonals that bisect at 90 degrees (Grade 8)

Geometry is a component of math that is used daily by scientists, architects, land developers and artists. Talking about the shapes around us can be a fun way to engage in mathematics with your child.

Thank you Devonleigh Homes for building our new Sports Shed. They donated their time to build this for us and it is much appreciated. This allows us to have some storage for our outdoor Phys. Ed equipment.

