

Tiger Tales



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Happy New Year! It's 2024!

At this time of year most of us create New Year's goals or resolutions. As a school, we create goals throughout the year. We have school goals embedded in our School Action and Equity Plan. We meet as a 'Tiger Team' and create goals that deal with numeracy, literacy, equity, belonging and well being. The students also have individual goals. Remember to ask your child what they are working on to achieve. With some dedication and guidance, we will all achieve our goals!

Mr. K. Crozier



Quick Reminders

Our Parking Lot is CLOSED before and after school.

Please report to the office to sign in and out all students. Parents are not allowed to be unescorted in the school.

There is a PA Day on January 26th.

Our Tigers are participating in Intramural Dodgeball, Band, Crochet Club, Craft Club and Choir! Intermediate Girls Volleyball and Intermediate Boys Basketball will run in January. Student Indigenous Leadership Team is in full swing! Thanks to the staff for all the volunteering they do for these clubs and teams.



Message From the Office

We kindly ask that you be mindful of the following as the office is a very busy place, and often only one person is available:

If you miss a call from the school, please check your voicemail for details before calling back to help expedite your call and connect you with the right person.

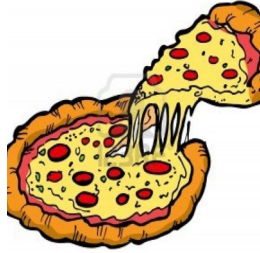
Please remember that students need to be signed out and signed back in using the binder in the main office. Your child's safety is of the utmost importance to us. Please let your child's teacher know in advance if they are being picked up for lunch so that they are ready and in the office or can be quickly called down.

If you need to make changes to your child(ren)'s dismissal, please try to do so well ahead of time and no later than 2:45pm the day of, and communicate this with the classroom teacher as classrooms may be in various locations in the school or on the school yard.

Also, please try to send your student to school on time!

Pizza Lunches Return!

Napoli Pizza is providing pizza lunches every Wednesday. Please sign up on School Cash Online. Also, we have Pasta Fridays!



Student achievement in language will be reported as one overall grade or mark on the term one report card. The mark will reflect a student's integrated learning across the four strands:

Strand A - Literacy Connections and Applications

Strand B - Foundations of Language

Strand C - Comprehension; Understanding and Responding to Texts

Strand D - Composition; Expressing Ideas and Creating Texts

The grade will be accompanied by supporting comments that will indicate the student's strengths, describe growth in learning, and identify next steps for improvement.

Council Corner

Hope everyone enjoyed the much needed Winter Break and was able to spend it with friends and family having fun! Winter is officially here and that means we still need socks to be donated for wet feet days.

Breakfast club has been going amazingly well. With each month having a few special days. Grilled cheese day and pancake days are a hit with the kids. Thank you to our awesome volunteers for all the hard work they put in each morning to make sure our Tigers bellies are full!

School Council's next event will be in February when we will host a Valentine's Day dance! Keep eyes out for an email with all the details.

Reminder to make sure to check out our web page for the calendar and twitter for any important dates!

For any School Council communication please email rpschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Stay warm Tiger families!

Bailey White

School Council Chair

Standards of behaviour and consequences for student action related to racism, bias or hate

At the SCDSB, we are committed to maintaining safe, inviting, and supportive school environments, and recognize that all students have the right to be safe, and feel safe, in our schools. With this right comes the responsibility to contribute to a positive school climate.

We want you to know that any incident of racism, bias, or hate will not be tolerated. Any such incident is treated very seriously with immediate action and consequences in accordance with the requirements of the Education Act, and consistent with our values and obligations under the Ontario Human Rights Code.

Students who engage in acts of racism, bias, or hate will face severe consequences as a result of their actions. Please take a moment to review the SCDSB Code of Conduct with your child(ren). The Code of Conduct sets clear standards of behaviour and specifies consequences for student actions that do not comply with these standards. Visit www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/safe_schools to learn more.

The SCDSB's Human Rights and Equity Office (HREO) has an advisory titled Prohibiting the Use of the N-word. Please take a moment to review this advisory with your child(ren) by visiting the HREO page on the SCDSB website <https://tinyurl.com/3jsvhan6>.

We are dedicated to educating our students and staff about the injustice and impact of systemic racism. We continue to work with students, staff, parents/guardians and community partners to ensure that our schools are the safe places they are intended to be for all students.

Kindergarten registration for September 2024 is open! Kindergarten is the beginning of a wonderful journey of learning, and we want your child to begin their journey in a SCDSB school! Do you have a child who is turning four in 2024? If so, we invite you to register your child for Kindergarten. To register online or for more information visit: www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten.

How is your infant, toddler, or preschool child developing?

Is your child meeting their milestones? Age-appropriate speech and language skills are critical to your child's ability to read, write, and be successful in school as well as to their ability to engage with their peers. Free services are available to support you with your child's development. Preschool speech and language programs are located across the County of Simcoe. Call 705-739-5696 or 1-800-675-1979 to complete a developmental screen.

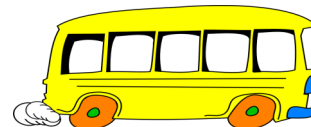
Parents' Guide to Assessment, Evaluation and Reporting

Learn to navigate the world of assessment, evaluation, and reporting with this new guide for parents/guardians. Created to support parents'/guardians' understanding of assessment, this guide was designed to effectively empower you to actively engage in your child's educational journey. The guide has been posted to the Simcoe County District School Board's website and can be accessed at https://cdnsms14.sharpschool.com/UserFiles/Servers/Server_210898/File/Secondary/Parents-Guide-to-Assessment.pdf.



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 North 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>.

School playground structures are closed for the winter. Every winter, school playground structures are closed. Students are made aware of this during school hours through announcements and staff reminders during breaks. This may not be well known throughout the community, despite signs indicating that playground structures are a winter hazard and are closed. The Canadian Standards Association regulations make recommendations for the depth of ground cover required to minimize injuries (e.g., sand, pea gravel, or wood chips). These surfaces cannot be maintained when the ground freezes. Injuries from falling would be more significant on frozen ground. We strongly recommend that you do not allow your children to play on any structures while the ground is frozen.



Math @Home parent and caregiver series It's back! The SCDSB math team is pleased to offer three virtual sessions for parents and caregivers of SCDSB students. These sessions will focus on practical and fun ways to support children with their mathematics learning and engagement at home. The first 200 registrants will receive a Math @Home kit of resources to use at home.

Participants must pre-register for each of the sessions.

Exploring the new SCDSB family math resources Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2024, 7 to 8 p.m. This session is for parents and caregivers. Join members of the SCDSB math team for a guided exploration of the new SCDSB family math resources. Participants will have the opportunity to explore the resources that are available to support their child's math learning at home. The guided portion of the session will be 45 minutes in length. During the final 15 minutes, the math team will be available to answer questions about the resources available.

Tips for engaging in math conversations with your child @Home Wednesday, Feb. 28, 2024, 7 to 8 p.m. This session is for parents and caregivers and will explore opportunities to discuss math with their child(ren) at home. Participants will learn about how events such as shopping, preparing food, engaging in a building project, or going for a walk can be used as a starting point for math conversations, and will receive prompts to get the discussion rolling. The guided portion of the session will be 45 minutes in

length. During the final 15 minutes, the math team will be available to answer questions about the session.

Games to support your child's math learning @Home Thursday, April 4, 2024, 7 to 8 p.m. This session is for parents, caregivers, and their children. Playing games at home is a great way to support child(ren)'s math development. In this session, several games will be explored, and participants will have the opportunity to try the games with their children during the session. The guided portion of the session will be 45 minutes in length followed by 15 additional minutes for further game play or to ask questions of our math facilitators. Bring your child (ren) and your math kit to this session!

Participants must pre-register for the sessions they wish to attend. Registered participants will receive a kit of hands-on resources that will be sent to the school indicated on the registration form. Use this link to register: <https://bit.ly/24MathAtHome>.

Interested in learning more about the ways that the SCDSB supports students with special education needs and their families? Join us for a virtual special education information series During the 2023-24 school year, the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) is hosting virtual special education outreach sessions to assist parents/guardians in learning more about programs, supports, and ways that we work together to support students with special education needs.

Transition planning Feb. 13 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Reading strategies March 19 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Supporting students with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) April 16 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Every day mental health strategies May 14 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Participants are asked to register in advance. Information to access the sessions will be shared via email with individuals who have pre-registered.

Learn more about each session and how to register on the SCDSB website:

www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/special_education/special_education_outreach_sessions.