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Pivoting back to in-person learning!

Yesterday, the provincial government announced school re-opening for Peterborough County. We look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday, January 25th. As always, watch for updates through School Messenger, Edsby, the School Website and Twitter account.

We understand the struggle to balance home / work / learning obligations during the extended school closure. Thank you for your support at home during the period of virtual learning. As always, please contact the school with any questions or concerns.

♥ Ms. Kostuch



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION IS OPEN

If you know of a child that will be four years old by December, 2021, please let the family know that now is the time to register them for Kindergarten, starting Sept. 2021. Visit www.kprschools.ca/kindergarten to register online.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Welcome to John Ford, the new Superintendent of Schools for Apsley Central Public School. Superintendent Ford's contact information is at the top of every newsletter, should you need to reach his office. Please contact the school office first with any concerns or questions, as I'm confident we can problem solve together.

BABY, IT'S COLD OUTSIDE!

The cold weather is upon us. Please make sure your child has warm snow pants, boots, a coat, hat and warm mittens or gloves. Sending a second pair of mittens or gloves is always a good idea. Outside activity supports indoor learning and we want to make sure our students continue to do a great job of dressing for the weather.



THANK YOU, ETHEL!

Local resident, Ethel Tucker, has been knitting mittens for Apsley students for many years. In this photo, Ethel is displaying some of her latest delivery! Thank you, Ethel, for helping keep so many student hands warm over the years!



COATS / SNOWPANTS FOR KIDS

We have received some donations of winter coats and snow pants in various sizes. Please contact the school office if you'd like some assistance in replacing worn or outgrown winter gear. Thank you to the many remarkable community members who display this heartwarming dedication to our students.

NUT FREE, PLEASE!

A reminder that peanuts and other nut-based items, cannot be included in snacks or lunches.



INDOOR SHOES

A reminder to bring indoor shoes back to school on Monday, January 25th.

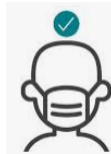


MASKS FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 1 - 3

Based on updated directives from the Ministry of Education, students in Grades 1-3 will be required to wear masks inside at school. We believe this transition will be easy for our younger students, as the majority were already wearing masks inside in the fall. If you have concerns about your Grade 1-3 child wearing a mask inside, please contact Ms. Kostuch in the School Office.

Here are some reminders for all students:

- All staff will be wearing face masks
- Grades 1 – 8 students are required to wear masks
- Kindergarten students are strongly encouraged to wear masks
- Student masks must be secured with ties, ear loops or elastic
- Students will wear masks inside at all times, with the exception of eating, drinking or taking medications
- Students can take masks off when they are outdoors (e.g. recess, breaks, outside lessons) and are physically distanced
- Concerns about mask wearing should be directed to Ms. Kostuch in the School Office



VISITORS IN THE SCHOOL

To minimize contacts and maintain physical distance in the building, parent, guardian and visitor access to the building is restricted. As always, the front door will be locked, but communication with the office is possible through the buzzer system.

SCHOOL CLOSURE ON SNOW DAYS

A reminder that: If all school buses to a school are cancelled, the school will be CLOSED for the day. Check www.stsco.ca for cancellation information.



DAILY SELF-SCREENING TOOL



Do not come to school if...



You or someone you are in close contact with have travelled outside of Canada in the past 14 days



You have been in close contact with a confirmed case of COVID-19



Or if you have any Covid or flu-like symptoms.

Self-screen every day using the Ontario Ministry of Health COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children. The link is: <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening>

HOW WE COMMUNICATE:



We send updates directly to you by phone, email or text through School Messenger



Apsley Central PS web page: <https://apsley.kprdsb.ca/>



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