



Chris Hadfield PS

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Welcome to the beginning of the colder weather! With snow just around the corner, we need to remind our students to dress appropriately for the weather. Labelling clothes is a great way to ensure that belongings make it back home each day. Many of our classes are continuing with outdoor learning and being dressed warmly will make it much more enjoyable for our students.

Our school is buzzing with the excitement of the fall activities and the ability to participate in club activities such as our Equity Club, Cross Country, Flag Football, Volleyball, Basketball, Student Leadership, Office Helpers, Lunchroom Helpers. It was wonderful to see so many parents/guardians join us for our first Character Assemblies last week. We are starting to feel like we are back to a normal school year!

As we look ahead to November, students will be participating in Volleyball, our Remembrance Day assemblies, and another Scholastic Book Fair. We will be welcoming parents and guardians to our conferences after Progress Reports are sent home on **November 10th**.

This week we honour Treaty Recognition Week. Treaties are legally binding agreements that set out the rights, responsibilities and relationships of Indigenous Peoples and the federal and provincial governments. Treaty Recognition Week honours the importance of treaties. Please consider speaking with your family to learn about treaty rights, treaty relationships and their relevance today.

Our students will be recognizing Remembrance Day on Nov. 11th; students will be provided with poppy stickers or poppies to wear on this day. If you wish to donate, please feel free to send a donation to our school office or go to <https://www.legion.ca/>. "Most importantly, take a moment now and then to reflect on freedoms and peace, and to remember those who served and sacrificed for all we have today." Our learning and assemblies will focus on the peace efforts and excellence of diversity in Canada.

Please make sure that you are registering for School Cash On-line if you have not already done so. There is no cost to this process and it is very important we have all families registered. This is where you will complete all important forms, permissions, donations and fundraising forms (if you choose) as we are moving toward being a completely paperless school. If you haven't registered already and require help to do so, please contact our school office and someone will be happy to help. Our Lunch Box program is back and ready to go. Please feel free to place your child's order on School Cash On-line and thank you for supporting our school!

With kind regards,
Mrs. Rocca & Mrs. Telesco



Character Trait for November is:



CHPS School Times

- Morning Arrival - 8:55 - 9:10 AM
- Instructional Block - 9:10 - 10:50 AM
- Nutrition Break - 10:50 - 11:30 AM
- Instructional Block - 11:30 - 1:10 PM
- Nutrition Break - 1:10 - 1:50 PM
- Instructional Block - 1:50 - 3:30 PM
- Dismissal - FDK begins - 3:15PM

Principal - Heather Rocca

Vice-Principal - Francesca Telesco

Sr. Admin. Support - Allison Varley

Office Assistant - Janet Trimis

Office Assistant—Danielle Brouckxon



November 1-2 - Public Health Immunization for Grade 7 & 8 students ONLY (By parental/Guardian signed consent ONLY - Hep B, Meningococcal & HPV vaccines offered)

November 4-10 - Treaties Week

November 6 - Time Changes - We "Fall" back!

November 8 - Gr. 8 Grad wear presentation 2pm

November 10 - Picture Re-Take day

November 10 - Progress Report Cards go home

November 11 - Remembrance Day School Assemblies

November 18 - PA day
NO SCHOOL for students

November 14-18 - Scholastic Book Fair

November 17 & 18 - Parent/Guardian Conferences (By appointment ONLY. Connect with your child's teacher on how to obtain an appointment)

November 21 - School Council Meeting 6pm ?

November 29 - Eat Well to Excel Day in Simcoe
(Information on Page 3 of newsletter)

**STUDENT
DROP-OFF
AND
PICK-UP**

Signing IN/OUT -

End of Day Process at the Office

Any students arriving after 9:10am **MUST** sign in at the office. If you are picking your child up early please send a note to your child's teacher in advance.

We prefer that student's not be picked up between 3:00 and 3:30. This is a very busy time and our staff are finishing up their day with their students and are ensuring students are dismissed safely. All student's signing out early must be signed OUT at the office and then meet their parent/guardian or approved pick up person outside the front doors. We are attempting to limit the interruptions during classroom instruction time. We cannot ensure that calls made at the last minute to the office at the end of the day will result in the proper directions reaching the student and the student accurately following these changes. If you need to change any emergency contact information and/or those that are authorized to pickup your children, you must submit this in writing to the office by emailing the school at chrishad-field@scdsb.on.ca or by writing an agenda letter or written note to the homeroom teacher.

Council Corner!

All are welcome to join our School Council Meeting at CHPS on November 21 at 6:00pm in the staffroom. *Our School Council chair is Melissa Wilson and our Co-Council Chair is Jayme Del Greco. We welcome Melissa and Jayme back and look forward to a successful school year! School Council meets once a month to discuss various topics that involve our school. Thank you in advance to everyone for your support and dedication. We appreciate you!*

Future School Council dates are:

- November 21st, 2022
- December 12th, 2022
- February 13th, 2022
- March 27th, 2022
- May 8th, 2022
- June 12th, 2022



Thank you to all parents who have been parking on the street and walking to pick up their students at the end of the day. We understand this is not the most convenient situation for you, but it is the safest option for our students and community members who are pedestrians and we greatly appreciate your cooperation and understanding. Please make sure you are abiding by the traffic rules and only parking in designated areas as the Bylaw enforcement officers are present and will be enforcing parking expectations. This includes parking within the posted signs and not in front of the school driveways or our neighbours' driveways. **Our parking lot will continue to be closed between 3:15 p.m. and 3:40 p.m. Please do not enter the parking lot from either entrance after 3:15 p.m.** During this 25 minute time period, cars will be unable to enter or leave the parking lot. This is to reduce traffic and to help ensure the safety of all our students being dismissed at the end of the school day. **Please do not pull into or park in the lot if you need to leave before 3:40 pm.** If you are parking in our lot at the end of the day, feel free to use any open parking spaces and please make sure your engines are turned off and not idling. This is important for the health and well-being of the families who are waiting for our students.

If the lot is closed, please find a spot on the street, rather than moving or driving over the pylons. There may be times or reasons when the parking lot is closed early. We appreciate your understanding during these times. During morning drop off, **8:55 a.m. – 9:10 a.m.**, we are still seeing a number of vehicles stopping, parking and unloading children in the driving lane. **This is not safe!** If you need to get out of your car and watch your child walk into the building, please park in a parking spot and walk your children to the gate, rather than stopping the flow of the kiss and ride. If drivers **wait patiently** and unload along the curb, students will be more safe and the flow of the kiss and ride will move along as it should. Please do not park along the drop off zone. When possible, move as far up along the sidewalk as space allows. Have your students exit the vehicle from the **LEFT** hand side, closest to the gate entrance. These routines will become more important as the weather changes and there are snow piles causing visibility challenges.

Student safety is our number one priority at Chris Hadfield Public School and we appreciate your assistance as we work through these new routines. We need to work together to ensure the safety of all our children.



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 W.H. Day Elementary School. The information night for this school will be **November 14, 2022 at 6:00pm at W.H. Day Elementary School**

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.



COVID-19 SELF-ASSESSMENT

Self-Assessment

All students and staff are encouraged to complete the daily COVID-19 self-assessment screening tool prior to entering SCDSB schools and buildings and follow the direction of the screening tool. 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.](#)



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 **SOUTH 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) 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>.



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 Bradford District High School's info night, contact the school directly for more information at 905-778-2262.



Parents/guardians 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. Information will be shared about 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.

November 29th is Eat Well to Excel Day in Simcoe

Eat Well to Excel, is a Simcoe County non-profit community partnership that supports our schools 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.

How to Help?

You can make a donation on our website at eatwelltoexcel.ca

Click on Donate now button. You can either support the County wide program or if you wish to direct your donation to our school. Just include our school name in the comment box and they will make sure to direct the donation to our program. A tax receipt will be emailed to you.

For more information about Eat Well To Excel please visit eatwelltoexcel.ca

Extra mathematics support for Grades 4 to 12

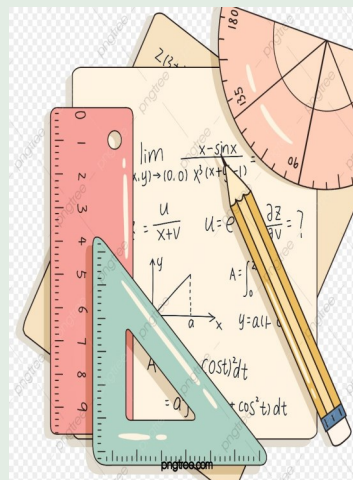
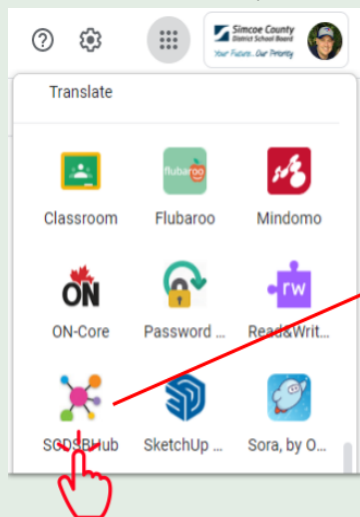
Are you looking for extra mathematics support for your Grade 4 to 12 student? TVO Mathify offers free 1:1 online Grade 4 to 12 math tutoring to students enrolled in Ontario's publicly funded English-language schools. Features include an interactive whiteboard, as well as voice and text chat to make it 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 pre-registered for this amazing service. For quick access to TVO Mathify:

1. Find the link in your child's Google waffle to the SCDSBhub. (Please note: Your child will not need to enter their OEN number or any identifying information when TVO Mathify is accessed through the SCDSBhub)

Look for the TVO Mathify icon on their dashboard.

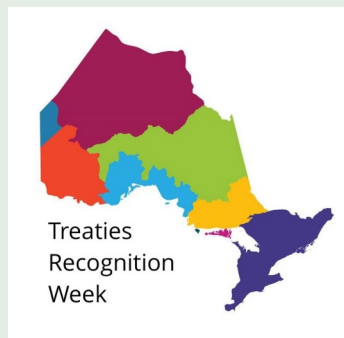


Treaties Recognition Week takes place Nov. 4 to 12

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. 4 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.



School Approved Food Vendors available on School Cash Online

School Cash Online

Paying school items just got easier!
Sign up to get started today.

What is School Cash Online?

School Cash Online is an easy to use, safe way to pay for your children's school fees.



Get Started Today

Sign Into Your Account

Thank you to all the families that ordered from our Hot Lunch Program through Lunch Box on School Cash Online! Not only does this program help with fundraising for our school, but it ensures that hot lunches are warm. We encourage lunches to be purchased through School Cash Online from the Lunch Box ordering system, rather than outside food purchases from unapproved food vendors. **Fast food vendors other than those offered on School Cash Online are not approved by the board and are not to be delivered to school.** We have many food allergies that can be harmful to affected students by cross contamination which can be life threatening. **We would ask that lunches from other food providers are not dropped off at the office as we can not verify if there are any allergies that could come in contact with affected students.** Any students that have forgotten their lunch are welcome to help themselves to the classroom snack bin. Thank you for your co-operation and assistance in ensuring that our students and staff are safe.