

Good Evening Clayton Park Students and Families,

Thank you to all the parents and families who attended curriculum night last week. It was wonderful to see so many of you there, and we truly appreciate your ongoing support. Your involvement is invaluable as we work together to create the best possible learning experience for your children. We look forward to continuing this partnership throughout the school year!

Trina Canavan (Principal) & Erica Gee (VP)

### **Mi'kmaq History Month**

October is Mi'kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia. The goal of the month is to help Nova Scotians build awareness of Mi'kmaq history and heritage, and to increase understanding of the province's rich Mi'kmaq culture. Treaty Day on Oct. 1st marks the beginning of Mi'kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia.

### **School Clothing Order**

Clayton Park Junior High is offering families and students the opportunity to purchase school clothing. The link to order clothing is :

[Home | Clayton Park Junior High Oct 2024 \(inksoft.com\)](https://www.inksoft.com/Clayton-Park-Junior-High-October-2024)

The link is also on the school's website. The last day to purchase school clothing will be October 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Uber EATS and DoorDash and other food delivery services**

We have had parents / families calling Uber Eats, Door Dash and other food companies to drop off / deliver food for students. Please note that we will not accept these deliveries as it is a disruption to the school. Also, please note that we do not answer the phone from 11:15am -12:15pm as, our administrative assistant is on lunch break.

### **Updated Demographics and Information in PowerSchool**

All families should have received an email last week asking you to review and update any changes to your student's information in PowerSchool. In the past, paper copies were sent home with students, however HRCE has made this procedure easier and paper free. This is to ensure that we have the correct information in PowerSchool for communicating with you, emergency contacts, consent for publication, etc. Consent for publication gives permission for us to use a student's photo or exemplar work, website and other social media. Thank you for reviewing this information. Many families have not yet reviewed this information and made the required updates. Please take time in the next day or two to review this email that was sent to families last week. **The subject line in the email would have been: HRCE Student Demographic Update for (Students Name).**

## **Student Drop Off, Pick Up, Bus Loop and Staff Parking Lot**

If you are dropping off a student, please use the side of the street that is closest to Clayton Park and has sidewalks. This side of the street is a 15-minute parking zone. The opposite side of the street (across from CPJH) is a no parking / dropping off zone. We are asking that parents and guardians not drop off or pick up students in the morning or after school on this side of the street. We need to keep this side of the street clear at all times for bus access. There have been two accidents in the past week due to parking and dropping off on the no parking / dropping off side of the street. We ask for your cooperation with this.

**We ask that families do not access the bus loop and staff parking lot from 8am – 4pm daily.** The school buses access both areas and they must remain free of cars for the safety of our students and community.

## **PowerSchool (Grade 7&8)**

All parents, guardians and students are encouraged to check PowerSchool on a regular basis. PowerSchool is updated daily with student attendance. In addition, parents, guardians, and students can check on students' assignments and assessments. Anything that is blue in PowerSchool provides additional information. Teachers have updated students' assignments and assessments in PowerSchool as of Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Please reach out to your student's teacher if you have further questions.

**Grade 6** - If parents in grade 6 if you have questions pertaining to your child's grades and academic progress, please contact their classroom teacher.

## **Important Dates**

October 1<sup>st</sup> – Treaty Day (Culturally Significant Day Schools Open)

October 1<sup>st</sup> – Picture Day

October 3<sup>rd</sup> – RWM 6 (Grade 6 Reading & Writing Provincial Assessment)

October 4<sup>th</sup> - RWM 6 (Grade 6 Reading & Writing Provincial Assessment)

October 4<sup>th</sup> - National Day of Action for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

October 9<sup>th</sup> – RWM 6 (Grade 6 Math Provincial Assessment)

October 10<sup>th</sup> – RWM 6 (Grade 6 Math Provincial Assessment)

October 11<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day (No Classes)

October 14<sup>th</sup> – Thanksgiving (No Classes)

October 25<sup>th</sup> – Provincial Conference Day (No Classes)

October 31: Diwali

November 4<sup>th</sup> – Picture Re-Takes

November 11<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day (No Classes)

November 13<sup>th</sup> – Immunization Clinic (Grade 7s)

November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Assessment and Evaluation Day (No Classes)

December 4<sup>th</sup> – Progress Conferences 6-8pm

December 5<sup>th</sup> – AM = PD Day & Progress Conferences 1-3pm (No Classes AM & PM)

December 20<sup>th</sup> – Last Day Before Holiday Break

December 23 – January 1 – Holiday Break

January 2<sup>nd</sup> – Teacher Professional Practice Day (No Classes)

With Kindness,

The Administration and Staff of CPJH