Good Evening Clayton Park Junior High Families,

**Grade 7 Immunizations**

Grade 7 Immunizations will be taking place tomorrow, Monday November 9th. A reminder for students to have a healthy breakfast which helps ease some of the anxious feelings students may have.

**School Clothing**

The school clothing online store is on the schools website or by following this link; <https://stores.inksoft.com/clayton_park_junior_high/shop/home>. Deadline to order clothing is November 10th, 2020.

**COVID – 19 Daily Checklist**

A reminder to parents to complete the COVID 19 Daily Checklist (attached) with your child prior to sending them to school each day. If you child is not feeling well or displaying symptoms they should be staying home and not attending school. We appreciate your support with this as, we want to keep everyone healthy, safe and in school.

**Homework Hub**

The EECD Homework Hub is a valuable mathematics resource for students in grades 7 to 12. Students can access live tutors on Sunday to Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 9:30 pm. These tutors are certified teachers who can tutor any mathematics course in both English and French. In addition to tutoring, students can access electronic textbooks, tutorial videos and practice problems any time of day. Please watch the following EECD video introduction to the homework hub: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QnORoA5E7i4>. If you have any questions regarding Homework Hub please contact your child’s mathematics teacher.

Many of the math teachers at Clayton Park use the homework hub with their students. Teachers also viewed the video with each of their math classes.

**Consent for Publication of Student Personal Information and Student Work Forms**

These forms went home with students last week. If your child has not yet returned them, please do so by next week. Thank you to those who have already sent them back to the school.

**Food and Drink in Classrooms**

Students have access to granola bars the first 10 minutes of the school day as part of the schools breakfast program. Students are not permitted to eat or have drinks (other than water from their water bottles) during instructional time. We have had an increase in students bringing pop, coffee, and candy to drink and eat throughout instructional time in class. These are not healthy choices and are not supported by the food and nutrion policy in schools. Having students eat outside of lunchtime also requires students to have their masks off which is not supported by the back to school plan. Students are permitted to have their masks off during lunch time when they are seated and eating at their desk. We have spoken to many students about this and we appreciate parents and guardians supporting our efforts to support healthy choices and the back to school plan.

**Dressing for the Weather**

Now that the colder weather is upon us, please remind your child to dress appropriately for the weather. Unless temperatures are very cold, students will be outside during lunch for 25 minutes.

**Late Arrivals**

We have a large amount of students arriving late for morning instruction every day. It is common for 15-20 students to be late every morning. In addition, we have a number of students who also are arriving late after lunch. It is important that students arrive at school on time as; morning instruction begins at **9:20am**. If students are missing time, they are missing valuable teaching and instruction from class. Bused students arrive between 9am and 9:15am. Walking or students who are being dropped off should be arriving at school at **9:15am.**

**Notification of Absences**

Please inform the school if your child is not attending school by calling 902-457-8930 or emailing cbryson@hrce.ca . Please leave the student’s full name and a brief description of the reason for the absence. This includes if they are picked up at lunchtime and are missing the afternoon.

**Remembrance Day**

Our school will be having a virtual Remembrance Day ceremony on November 10th. Students and staff are busy organizing for the virtual event. The ceremony will be an in-class presentation with students participating in readings and our band preforming pre-recorded pieces.

**Grade 9 Student Leadership**

We have a fantastic group of grade 9 students, led by Mr. Aldred, who participate in our Student Leadership group. The goal of this group is to celebrate and organize events, activities and to create a positive, fun and welcoming school.

This group of students have organized twin and costume day so far with more spirit and fun activities to come.

We appreciate your continued support as we navigate this school year.

Sincerely,

The Staff and Administration of Clayton Park Junior High