



# The Edmison Heights Flyer

November 2023

*“Where Learning Takes Flight!”*

## Principal's Message

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Dear Edmison Heights Families,

Welcome to November! We continue to focus on seeing all students as capable learners while holding high expectations for them (Board Action Plan, SA-EL1). Staff and students alike are setting goals and putting plans into action. We thank our parents and caregivers for their ongoing partnership in this process.

Progress Reports will be going home on November 17<sup>th</sup>. These indicate how a student is progressing at the beginning of the school year and do not include marks. Progress is indicated as Progressing Very Well, Progressing Well or Progressing with Difficulty. Parents will be invited to attend an interview according to the dates and times offered by the teacher. Interviews may look like a face-to-face meeting, a phone call, or a virtual call.

November is recognized in KPR as Indigenous Peoples Awareness Month. The month of November was chosen because of other special dates and events in November, including Inuit Day, Indigenous Veterans Day, Rock Your Mocs Week, Treaty Recognition Week and Louis Riel Day (Indigenous Education Dept.). At Edmison, we will focus on continuing our learning about Treaties, with the support of the Board's Passport to Reconciliation that all teachers can access.

On Friday November 10<sup>th</sup>, we will recognize Remembrance Day. We will honour those who have fought or who continue to work to help keep Canada safe and free. Our online school ceremony will be at 10:00 a.m.

Bullying Awareness Week is November 20 – 24. In these challenging times, it is more important than ever that we encourage and practice kindness at all times. Pink Shirt Day at Edmison Heights will be Wednesday, November 22.

This year, we will have Pink Shirts available through our Spirit Wear orders that can be made until November 21. Check out our new choices of colours, bucket hats and new choices of material. We make a modest profit from the purchase of these items that will go towards new sports equipment. Another Spirit Wear run will also take place in the spring. Look for a confirmation email from Hobies after you have placed your order for pick up at their location.

[https://stores.inksoft.com/edmison\\_heights\\_spirit\\_wear/shop/home](https://stores.inksoft.com/edmison_heights_spirit_wear/shop/home)

Sincerely,

Madame Haley-Twiss



## School Council

The next School Council meeting will be held November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Childcare will be available. All are welcome!

## Bell Times

8:30 AM	Schoolyard Supervision
8:55 AM – 10:35 AM	Instructional Time
10:35 AM – 11:15 AM	First Nutrition Break
11:15 AM – 12:55 PM	Instructional Time
12:55 PM – 1:35 PM	Second Nutrition Break
1:35 PM – 3:15 PM	Instructional Time
3:15 PM	Dismissal from School



## Character in our School

**November's Character Attribute/Grandfather Teaching – Courage/Bravery**

Mental or moral strength to venture, persevere, and withstand danger, fear, or difficulty

## Edmison Heights Updated Vision and Mission Statements

The Edmison Heights staff have been working to refine our Vision and Mission Statements for quite some time. This was also shared with School Council in October. Staff have developed “kid friendly” versions that we are asking students to consolidate with us. Our statements align with the overall goals of the school board and define our “why” and “how” as we work purposefully to support our students. Please reach out to if you have any questions.

### Vision Statement

We educate and inspire our students to excel in learning, build positive character and foster relationships through connections with the local and global community. We recognize our roles as stewards of the land and respect and care for our natural environment. We promote positive well-being and self-affirmation to engage students in their learning.

### Mission Statement

At Edmison Heights Public School, we provide students with authentic learning opportunities that prepare them for purposeful, life-long learning that supports a growth mindset. We endeavour to provide our students with tools to problem-solve in culturally responsive ways. Our school community provides a safe learning environment by honouring diversity and the importance of wellbeing. In this way, all members are encouraged to take risks to pursue their interests and passions.

## School Nutrition Program

Our Student Nutrition Program can always use volunteers! Duties include preparing food, stocking classroom food bins, and cleaning bins. If you would like to volunteer, please email Samantha at [winterose2007@yahoo.com](mailto:winterose2007@yahoo.com) to sign up and discuss your availability. **Prior to volunteering in any capacity within our school, you will need to have a valid police record check on file at the office.** Please contact the office if you are interested in volunteering and we will provide you with a letter for the city police or OPP. Thank you for your consideration.

## Fresh from the Farm Fundraiser

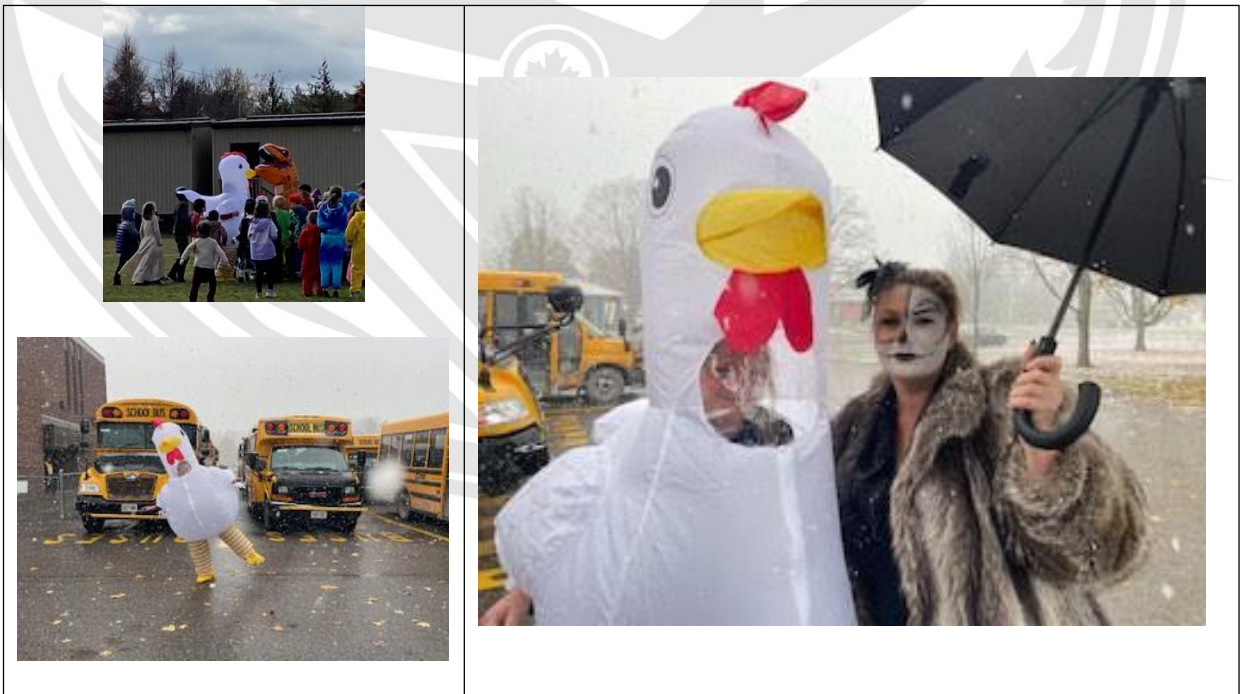
Fresh from the Farm is a healthy fundraising program for Ontario schools. Thank you to all who ordered and helped the School Nutrition Program to raise \$900.00 for the program. We will alert all parents who ordered when their order is ready for pick up at the school.

## Dismissal

Our office is a very busy place at the end of the day. We ask that you make arrangements to meet your child in the Parent Zone at 3:15 p.m. Please help us by not picking up your child at the front office at that time unless there is an emergency. **Please also advise your child's teacher if dismissal plans change ahead of time.** We appreciate your help in this regard.

## Halloween Fun!

We enjoyed an exciting day of activities on October 31. Students were very respectful of one another and worked cooperatively throughout the day. Even the snow at the end of the day could not spoil our fun!





## Nut Aware School

We have several students with life-threatening allergies. Please help us to keep our students safe by checking the ingredient list of any food items that are brought to school and avoiding all products that contain nuts or have been processed in a facility with nuts. Thank you!

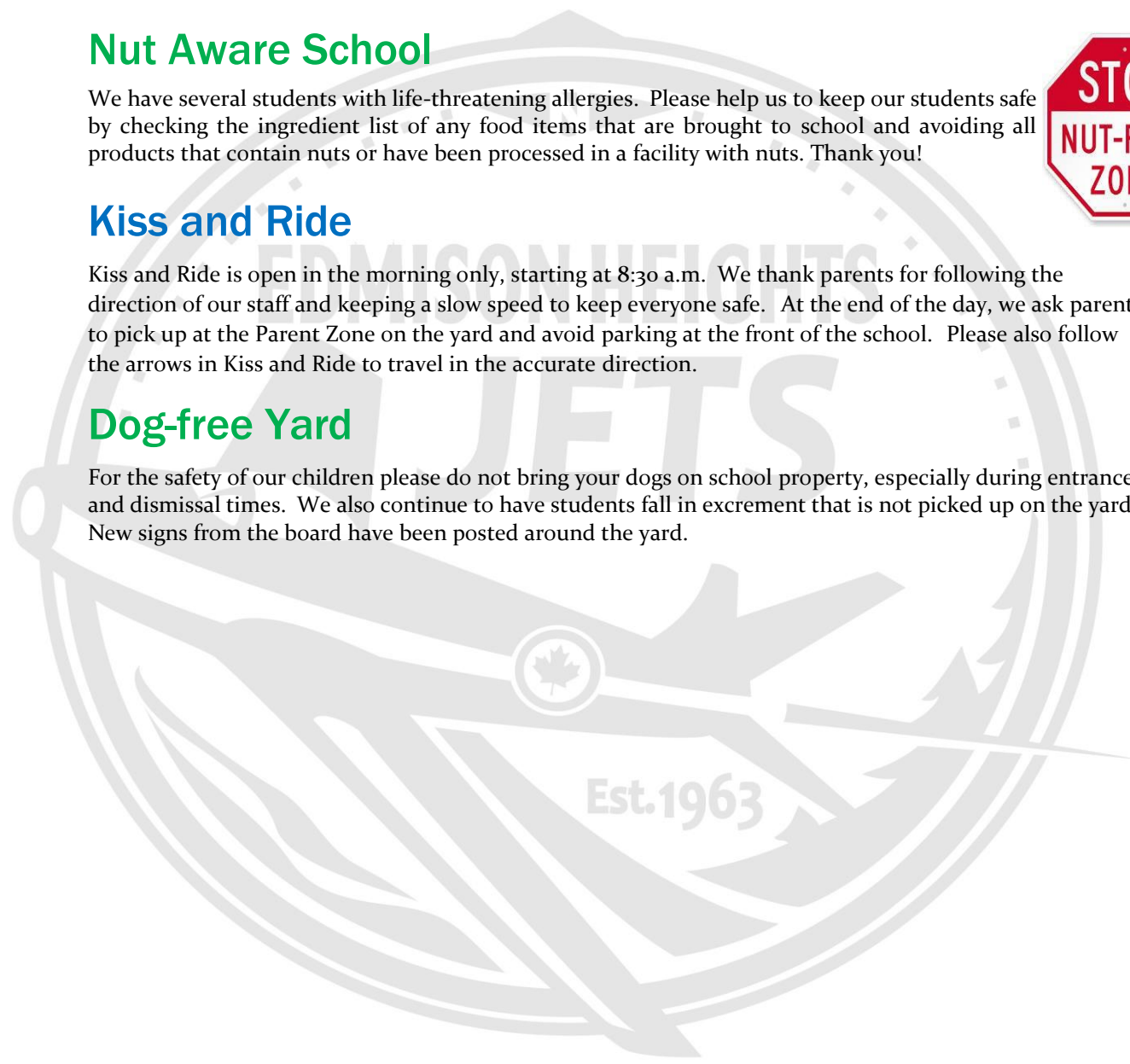


## Kiss and Ride

Kiss and Ride is open in the morning only, starting at 8:30 a.m. We thank parents for following the direction of our staff and keeping a slow speed to keep everyone safe. At the end of the day, we ask parents to pick up at the Parent Zone on the yard and avoid parking at the front of the school. Please also follow the arrows in Kiss and Ride to travel in the accurate direction.

## Dog-free Yard

For the safety of our children please do not bring your dogs on school property, especially during entrance and dismissal times. We also continue to have students fall in excrement that is not picked up on the yard. New signs from the board have been posted around the yard.





# November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Pizza Lunch	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> P.A. Day (no school)	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Treaties Recognition Week	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Inuit Day	<b>8</b> Indigenous Veterans Day Pizza Lunch	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Remembrance Day Online Ceremony @ 10:00 a.m.	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> Rock Your Mocs Week	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Pizza Lunch	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Progress Reports home Photo Retakes	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> Bullying Awareness Week	<b>20</b> Parent Council 6:30 pm	<b>21</b> Bus Safety Presentations	<b>22</b> Pink Shirt Day Pizza Lunch	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Junior Volleyball	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> Pizza Lunch	<b>30</b>		

Please also see [Holy Days, Holidays & Days of Significance](#)