



# The Edmison Heights Flyer

March 2024

“Where Learning Takes Flight!”

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Dear Edmison Heights Families,

The air holds the scent of Spring! We are all looking forward to more sunshine, time outdoors and the shedding of winter coats and boots. This expectation of Spring is almost as exciting as Spring itself!

Please note that Spring Break is Friday March 8 - 15. We return to school Monday, March 18.

With Spring comes new life and renewal. It is a time of year for us to review what we are doing, when, how and why. We continue to work towards achieving our goals as part of the Board Action Plan, with a focus on high expectations for learning and differentiation to ensure student success. We will soon start planning for the following school year.

Enrolment for staffing next year is based on all of our students. This means we will have roughly 540 students attending next year. If you know of someone needing to register for Kindergarten, please direct them to the Kawartha Pine Ridge District School Board website <https://www.kprschools.ca/en.html>. Each Spring, we determine class placements for our students and consolidate staffing.

Adapting to change often means that we find different ways to approach a matter. Innovative thinking is helping us to consider different perspectives and more profoundly appreciate others' situations. Acts of kindness continue to hold us together as a community. These factors inspire us to aim higher and do better. Every day, we can aspire to greatness. Our students remind us of this every day!

*Madame Haley-Twiss*





## Character in our School

### March Character Attribute – Fairness

I am sensitive to the needs of individuals. I include others and value their uniqueness. I celebrate diversity. I treat people with dignity and consideration, with which I would like to be treated. I gather as much information as possible in order to make a decision that is just.

## School Council

The next School Council meeting will be held on Monday March 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the Edmison Heights school library. Childcare is provided. All are welcome! If you wish to join us virtually, you may do so at: [https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/marylouise\\_heenan](https://kprdsb.webex.com/meet/marylouise_heenan)

The School Council Meetings for the remainder of the year will be held in the Edmison Heights library at 6:30 p.m. as per the schedule below:

April 15, 2024

May 27, 2024

## Ramadan



*Ramadan begins on Sunday, March 10 at sundown and ends at sundown on Tuesday, April 9 and is an important time in the Islamic calendar, observed by Muslims. Ramadan is a time for fasting, spiritual reflections, prayer, doing good deeds, and spending time with family and friends. A prayer space is available for students who wish to pray. Please let your teacher know if there are any other accommodations, we can provide to support your child during Ramadan.*

## Easter

Easter weekend is March 29 – April 1 this year. Easter is a Christian holiday that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Easter takes place three days after Jesus's death on Good Friday. This holiday concludes the “Passion of Christ” series of holidays that began with Ash Wednesday.

Also see [Holy Days and Days of Significance](#) for more information if needed.



# Friendly Reminders

## 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



## School Registration

Registration is now open for the 2024-2025 school year!

If you have a child or know of anyone that has a child who is eligible to attend either Junior or Senior Kindergarten for September 2024, please register online at [www.kprschoools.ca](http://www.kprschoools.ca). If online registration is not an option for you, contact us at 705-745-0722 to make other arrangements.

The following information will assist you with the registration process: Junior Kindergarten students must be 4 as of December 31, 2024. Senior Kindergarten students must be 5 as of December 31, 2024. Proof of age by birth certificate or equivalent, proof of address, immunization, and Legal Custody Agreement, if applicable, must be provided. Accurate enrollment projections are key to acquiring funding from the Ministry of Education and to the Board's budget process.

Please note that if your child is attending JK already, you do not need to re-register.



## 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. Tim Hortons is not a nut-free facility, and we ask that you please check with teachers before sending any food in. Thank you!

## Kiss and Ride & Dismissal

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 at a slow speed to keep everyone safe. All students should exit the left side only of the cars and we kindly ask that parents remain in their vehicles to speed up the process.

At the end of the day, we kindly ask parents to pick up their students in the Parent Zone in the yard at 3:15 pm and avoid parking at the front of the school. We thank you for following the arrows in the Kiss and Ride zone to travel in the accurate direction and please note that there is no parking on the right end side of the Kiss and ride zone for the safety of all staff and students.

## Dog-free Yard

This is a friendly reminder that the school grounds are private property and not a dog park. We love our dogs too, but for the safety of our students please do not bring your dogs on school property, especially during entrance and dismissal times.



# March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6 Pizza Lunch	7	8 Maha Shivaratri Holiday March Break	9
10 Ramadan starts	11 Holiday March Break	12 Holiday March Break	13 Holiday March Break	14 Holiday March Break	15 Holiday March Break	16
17	18 Dental Screening JK/SK/2/4	19 Dental Screening JK/SK/2/4	20 International Francophonie Day Pizza Lunch Dental Screening JK/SK/2/4	21 Eid International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22	23
24/ 31 Easter National Indigenous Languages Day	25 School Council Meeting 6:30 pm Edmison Heights Library	26	27 Pizza Lunch	28	29 Good Friday – School is closed	30