

School Council

April 8, 2025

In Attendance: Kendra Mihell, Heather Dubeau, Robin Spry, Dana Rancourt

Regrets: Alysha McDonald, Monika Issar, Blake Piche Relevant Items will be revisited in September 2025

Minutes & Agenda

- Harry Potter School Play Highlights
- Extra Curricular Activities
- Principal Profile
- EQAO Assessment
- Dare to Care
- Parent Involvement Committee Initiative
- Tentative School Organization 25-26
- Education Week Activities May 5-9th
- Mark Your Calendar
- School Council Meeting Dates
- Agenda Items for Next Meeting September 2026



A Night to Remember!

Once again, Mr. Morrow and his student thespians put on a remarkable performance of Harry Potter with a twist! This production, performed twice in the A.B. Ellis gymnasium on February 26th for our students and later for our families, delighted all in attendance.

We want to thank everyone that donated at the door to help fund future productions. We appreciate the hard work put in by the students to memorize lines, learn dance routines, and attend many nutrition break and after-school rehearsals. We extend so much gratitude to those that lent us costume items, and to all of our behind the scenes helpers that contributed their time and talents to creating props, sewing costumes, supporting rehearsals and setting up for the big day.

Finally, thank you to Mr. Morrow for creating such a fun, original script to ignite a passion for the theatre arts in our youth.

Flames in Action - Extracurriculars/Sports!

Cross Country Skiing was a great experience for Grades 4-8!

- Intermediate Girls' and Boys' Basketball
- Junior Intermediate Coed Hockey
- Recesses:
 - Junior Girls' and Boys' Tripleball (beginner volleyball)
 - Chess club
 - Indigenous Cultural Group
 - Flames drumming circle
 - Guitar/Drum club
 - Yoga club
 - Junior Coed Soccer

Check out our Activities page on our School Website!



Principal Profile (HR-06)



We need to update <u>HR-06</u> for 2025.

EQAO Assessment - May 8 - June 12

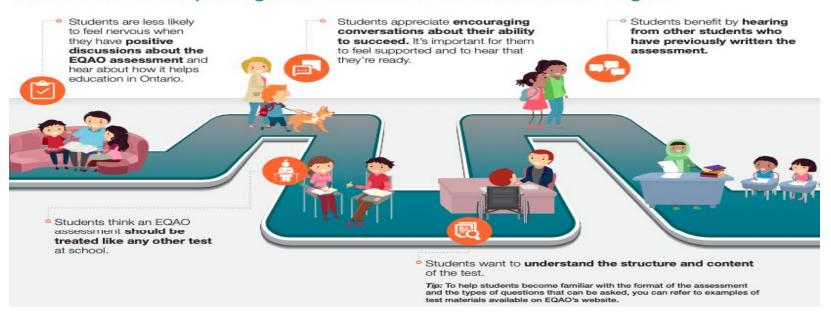


Tips for Parents and Guardians

Supporting Your Child Before an EQAO Assessment



We asked members of the EQAO Student Advisory Committee about what helped them to feel confident about their upcoming EQAO assessment. Here are some of their insights:



Please make sure appointments and unnecessary absences don't occur during the window of May 21 to 27 - our A.B. Ellis selected EQAO dates for this school year.

Dare to Care

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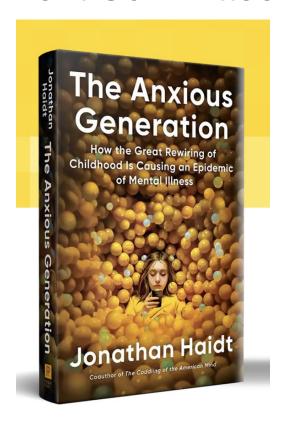
All Rainbow Schools offer Dare to Care from Kindergarten to Grade 9. Students learn about the importance of being kind, the difference between bullying and mean moments, how to ask for help from an adult, and standing up for yourself and others. The program contains modules for students, professional learning for staff, and resources for parents/guardians. Dare to Care engages the entire school community in contributing to warm and welcoming school environments where students feel a strong sense of belonging and connection. Prevention and intervention strategies focus on social emotional learning with an emphasis on empathy. As adults, it is important for us to understand the difference between peer conflict and bullying so that we can teach children the difference. Conflict is a disagreement between two or more people where everyone voices their views. Bullying is the repetitive and intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group. This usually happens when there is an imbalance of power.

The following video can be found in the parent section of the course.

https://daretocare.thinkific.com/courses/take/parent-course/lessons/ 17005619-bullying-vs-normal-peer-conflict



Parent Involvement Committee



Tentative Class Organization for 25/26



PRIMARY:

Kindergarten Kindergarten

1/2

2

3

JUNIOR:

4

5

6

INTERMEDIATE:

6/7

7/8

7/8

SPECIAL EDUCATION:

3 Intensive Support Program classrooms

2 Special Education Resource Teachers Student Success Teacher





"Igniting Minds, Inspiring Futures"

Spotlight on Literacy, Numeracy or STEM Activities - May 9th

Our education week activities last year were very well received by our community. We will have classes highlighting one area of focus in reading, writing, math or STEM.

It's time to celebrate the learning!

Music Monday Concert with EHS - May 5th Welcome to Kindergarten - May 6th 5:30-6:30pm

Mark Your Calendar

Character Trait - Honesty, Gwekwaadziwin, Honnêteté

April 9 - Boys' BBall Championship Tourney @Lockerby

April 11 - Kindness Krew Primary Book Tasting

April 17 - Bunny Ears Day; Gr. 5/6 Nursing home visit last block

April 18 - Good Friday Holiday & 21 - Easter Monday Holiday

April 22 - Earth Day Activities

April 23 - Administrative Assistant Day

April 24 - Swim to Survive all Gr. 3 students @12-1pm

April 25 - Deadline for gently used book donations; Devina's last day at One Tot

April 28-May 2 - Two Spring Fire Drills to come!

April 29 - Junior Soccer Tourney @Lancer Dome; <u>EQAO Math Webinar for Parents</u> @12pm

April 30 - Annual Book Share; Junior Soccer Tourney @Lancer Dome

May 2 - Volunteer Tea, time TBD

May 6 - Welcome to Kindergarten, 5:30-6:30pm

June 17-19- Grade 7/8 trip to Toronto

June 26 - Grade 8 Graduation, 6pm

June 27 - Last day of school and report cards go home

**sign on for our School Community Google Calendar



School Council Meeting Dates

Monday, September 12/23 - done

Tuesday, November 7/23 - done

Tuesday, February 6/24 - done

Tuesday, April 9/24 - done

Completion for the school year.



Agenda Items Next Meeting



Next meeting: TBD in September