



The Tiger Paw – December 2020



Newsletter from Eric Graves Memorial Junior High School

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Message from the Office

We recognize that these are very trying times for our school community. Going to school in the middle of a pandemic looks very different and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our students and staff who continue to push through and make the best of this situation.

EGMJH - Supporting Our Community

Every year the staff at EGMJH collects casual day funds in order to provide for families in need in our community during the holidays. If you are interested in donating to our cause, please contact our school secretary, Ms. Forrest. We would prefer to have all donations collected by Tuesday, December 15th.



Late Arrival

If your child is arriving after 8:35 they will be marked late. We understand that there are times when students may have early morning appointments that cause them to be late. We also know that it can be difficult to get teenagers out of bed in the morning, but we would greatly appreciate if students could make their best effort to arrive on time for school. When students arrive late they miss valuable instruction time at the beginning of class and cause disruption to the learning of their classmates.

Emergency School Closures

In the event of a mid-day school closure, it is essential that the school have written instructions on file from the parent/guardian as to where students are to go, and how they are to get there. Your attention and consideration to this is greatly appreciated. In September, we sent home an Early Dismissal Permission Form. We would ask that you please fill this out and send it back to school with your child if you haven't already. If you did not receive it, please inquire at the office or go to our website and look under **Snow Day/School Closure Information**.



School Cancellation Notifications

If school is cancelled, there are several ways to confirm. These include:

- The HRCE website www.hrce.ca
- HRCE Twitter account [Twitter.com/HRCE_NS](https://twitter.com/HRCE_NS)
- Call the HRCE info line at 902-464-INFO (4636)
- Radio (All local radio stations are informed)
- Sign up to receive e-mail or text message notification of cancellations ([link](#))

School Photos

You can still order school photos! You can visit Photomaster Studios web site and order online using this link: photomasterstudios.ca Due to the recent increase in COVID-19 cases in HRM, all orders will now be sent home by Canada Post instead of going to the school. Please note that Photomasters has all the school photos on file for the past 7 years. If you missed a year you can order past years online as well.

January Pizza Orders

Pizza order forms for January will be sent home on December 7th and will be due back by December 15th.

November Students of the Month Congratulations to the students listed below whom have been chosen as the *Student of the Month*. These students are chosen by their teachers as having made an outstanding positive contribution to the environment of the school and classroom. Each student receives a certificate as recognition of their achievement.

- 701 – Tamara Wile**
- 702 – Ayden Conrad**
- 703 - Minha Lee**
- 801 - Anna Godin**
- 802 - Ava Bullen**
- 901 - Keira Leonard**
- 902 - NaVaijah Slawter**



Important Dates

- Dec 3 Parent Teacher 1-3 & 6-8 – no classes
- Dec 14 SAC virtual meeting 4PM
- Dec 22 Last day of school before break
- Jan 4 Students return to school