

Letter of the Month: **October 2018**

École East Hill School

Message

The Letter of the Month will always be sent to parents by email on the last school day of the month

Please take careful note of all dates since you will not receive any written notices other than those indicated below – this is especially important with regards to Pedagogical Days (*no school*), *out-going memos, and deadlines.*

Starting the year with magic & excitement!



On behalf of all students, teachers and staff members

Thank you **Home & School** for organizing such a fun event! Thank you all the parent **volunteers** for your energy and efficiency!



The school year is off to a great start; **At East Hill We Step It Up!**

Myrienne Lusignan
Principal

Jessica Monti
Vice-Principal



Upcoming Events

* See Monthly Calendar

East Hill Students Making a difference



October 15th to October 31st

To compliment this spooky season. As part of this initiative, we will ask you to **send in non-perishable food items**. Our grade 6 Change Makers will be bringing the donations to local food banks.

On October 31st

On Halloween day, **the entire student body will partake on a Zombie Walk, where students will collect the non-perishable food items** that neighbors will have set out on their porches that morning.



School picture

Thank you to H&S for organizing our school pictures. Parents will receive proofs within the next few weeks and instructions on how to order pictures. Later on, **in October** a "retake day" will be organized for the students who might have been absent or have their eyes closed. On that day, **H&S will also offer families the opportunity to take a siblings picture.** *More information to come during the month.*



School Busses:

Over the past weeks, bus routes were finalized and bus seats were assigned. If you are a "Bus Parent" we invite you to read attentively with your child, the bus **information package you received and return the acknowledgment coupon promptly back to school.** We thank you for your cooperation.

Progress Reports:

The Progress Report will be sent out **on October 15th.**



This report will include information regarding your child's progress in all main subjects, as well as, feedback on your child's behavior and effort in class. At this point in the school year, the progress report will not offer you a detailed evaluation as its intent is to provide you with an understanding of your child's progress. **The goal of the Progress Report is to help parents support their child's efforts and study habits as we get closer to the first Report Card which will be distributed on November 29th**

Governing Board

Mrs. Catherine De Sua will be serving as the Chairperson for the 2018-2019 school year. Please visit our website for a complete list of members as well as the dates of this year's meetings. The meetings are public and any parent can attend. I will also post the date and time of the monthly meeting in the Calendar of the Month.

Home & School

Mrs. Nadia Posteraro is the president. On our school's website you can find information about H&S, its members, and the dates of meetings. **We encourage you to support their work by becoming a member (membership forms are available at the office and on our website)** Your support is needed, whether or not you attend the meetings, since H&S cannot exist without the support of the Parent Community.



Halloween Festivities in the works

With the support of Home & School each classroom will be doing fun-filled activities.

Dressing-up ...

We are looking forward to celebrating Halloween with our students. With our **Scare Hunger walk** students are invited to join us in adding a **"spooky" twist to their costume**

For example ... dress-up as a super hero and add a few spider webs or be a princess and add a Monster High type of make-up...

- **Students may arrived dressed up and remain in costume all day long.**
- It is imperative that we promote a sense of fun **without any element of violence.**
- Props (whether plastic or otherwise) that are too cumbersome (hockey sticks) or of a violent nature **will not be permitted.**
- Students will not be allowed to wear masks in school nor contact lenses. We suggest that they use make-up instead.
- **MUST wear running shoes** since recess and gym classes will go on as usual. For gym classes, students will remain in costume

School Life

At East Hill We Step It UP !

We are Active !

We are extremely proud to be one of the schools' recognized by the ministry of education program as an Active School. We aim to offer our students at least 60 minutes each day, including recess, physical education, active times in-between classroom lessons and also during daycare time. We firmly believe that an active body helps shape an active mind thus our staff is looking into innovative ways to be active at school.



To this end, we've chosen **"At East Hill We Step it Up!"** as our theme for the school year. We are excited to offer our students again this year lunch time activities such as Cross-country running, Walk & Talk, Flag football... We are also keeping our school yard active with fun filled games and we are looking forward to activate new activities with the little ones as soon as the routine settles-in.

We develop our self-confidence!

On October 23rd, we are proud to be hosting the Missing Children's Network (MCN), who will be presenting a Personal Safety Workshop for our students (Kdg, 1-3-5). The presentation is designed to teach children how to recognize and avoid potentially dangerous situations. It is also tailored to meet the developmental needs of the students and cover a variety of subjects such as trusting one's instincts, creating safe profiles and the importance of developing healthy and egalitarian relationships.

We challenge ourselves!

Math Club

At this time of year, many Grade 6 students are eager to review and refine their math skills. The Math Club is open to all Grade 6 students and takes place on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12:15 - 12:45 in room 208. That is why we are once again offering a lunchtime Math Club program, led by Ms. Josephine, which is designed to supplement our students' knowledge and boost their confidence! Here are some photos of our mathletes in action!



Robotics

We are proud to announce the launch of a Robotics Club for our Grade 2 students this year!

The Robotics Club will take place during lunch.

It will happen twice a week for a duration of five weeks.

Students are excited to get back into the action with their friendly Robots !