

# November Norwood News



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## From the Office...

This month we are offering a hot lunch on Friday November 19<sup>th</sup>. Covid has prevented us from doing many things but with some creative planning and vendor safety we are able to offer this special treat. Safety is our priority so each lunch will be individually wrapped and delivered to our school where we will sort and disperse. Our meal is chicken fingers and potato wedges with ketchup and plum sauce available. We are only accepting orders and payment through School Cash on-line. We will not accept cash orders. We will also not accept late orders. Remember to log in and place your order before the November 12<sup>th</sup> deadline.

This month is special as our students remember the fallen. We will have a wreath placed at the Norwood Cenotaph and classes will pay their respects through classroom learning, poetry, art and some will take part in a community walk to the Cenotaph.

This month Camp Kawartha will be bringing their outdoor program to our school and safely running classes outside. Every class will participate over 4 days. Individual teachers will send information home and remember to send your child dressed for the weather. This month we also have a virtual artist joining our grade 1 classes and we look forward to the art they produce. You can look at her amazing art on Instagram, *Banana Bruiser*.

Stay well,  
Mrs. Ostapek

## SchoolCashOnline

If you are new to school cash on-line please click on this link for KPR instructions. It takes less than 5 minutes to set up your account [School Cash on-line](#)



***Do you have concerns about your child?***

***If you do, contact your child's teacher and arrange a time to discuss over the phone. Always speak to the classroom teacher first.***

## At Norwood we...



We are **kind**.

We keep our **hands and feet** to ourselves.

We **stay under control**.

We **use equipment appropriately**.

We **problem solve**.

## Breakfast Program



We continue to run our snack bin program with the help of our school council. Every classroom has its own bin with individually wrapped healthy foods that are available throughout the entire day.



## Illness & COVID - What to do to keep our school safe

As students begin to experience cold and flu-like symptoms this fall, we want to remind everyone of the key points of the KPR Illness Protocol, based on evolving guidance from our local Public Health partners.

Most importantly, all staff and students must complete the self-screening assessment each and every day before coming to school. This informs your next steps. Please click on the link:

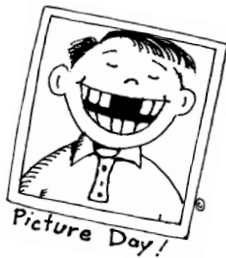
<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>

**We follow protocol provided to all KPR schools by our health units.**

Face Mask Protocol can be found on the KPRDSB web page.

## Picture Day

Any student that missed picture day or requires a retake, it will take place on **Friday November 12<sup>th</sup>**.



**WE ARE AN  
ALLERGEN AWARE  
SCHOOL & SCENT  
SENSITIVE**

It is important that we provide

an environment in which all can learn. Norwood, staff, students and families are reminded that:

1) We are a **Nut Free School**. Please check lunch items carefully to ensure that they are safe to come to school. The Internet is a great resource for nut-free lunches.

2) We are also a **Scent Sensitive Building**. Please be aware that colognes, perfumes, scented products and even the smell of cigarette smoke can trigger severe reactions. We ask that scented products not be worn.

3) While dogs are cute some of our students are very scared, even when on a leash. If you are walking your child to school with your dog we ask that you stay on the sidewalk and not be near gates or doors to our building.



Upcoming dates: November 29th

Norwood Executive for 2021-2022:

Chair – Laurie Strawbridge

Vice Chair – Kate Webb

Treasurer – TBD

Secretary – Liz Hilts

## **Website**

Our school website is an important reference for you. All of our teachers email contacts can be found there, as well as our newsletters, code of conduct and our master calendar. We also upload all School Council notes to this public site so the information is shared beyond the members of the council. You can find us by clicking this link [Norwood Public School](http://Norwood Public School) or at <https://norwoodpublic.kprdsb.ca/>



## Progress Reports

The year is divided into two reporting periods - February and June. Teachers do send home a progress report early in the school year to update parents on how well their child

is doing since beginning school in September. On November 17<sup>th</sup>, students will receive this progress report. Please be aware that this is a brief snapshot of your child's learning. Progress will be indicated using Progressing Very Well, Progressing Well or Progressing with Difficulty.

### Progressing Very Well:

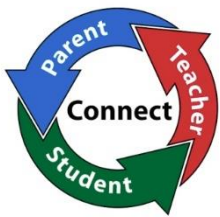
The student **consistently** demonstrates significant progress in their learning of the curriculum expectations and is expected to achieve the learning goals of the term.

### Progressing Well:

The student is demonstrating **sufficient** progress in their learning of the curriculum expectations and is likely to achieve the learning goals of the term.

### Progressing with Difficulty:

The student is demonstrating **some** progress in learning of the curriculum expectations and shows that they need further support to achieve the learning goals of the term.



## Interviews

Communication from your child's teacher will come soon.



*Mrs. Merrin is thrilled to welcome guest artist Anna Chojnicka into her grade 1 visual art classes later this month! Ms.*

*Chonjnicka, also known as "The Banana Bruiser", creates incredible art by intricately bruising banana peels! Yes, you read that right... bananas! The Banana Bruiser connected with students in Mrs. Merrin's classes last spring during online learning when they studied her artwork and, as a very kind way of staying connected with our Norwood artists, she offered to run a workshop virtually this fall. On Monday, November 15 she will join the Mrs. Merrin and her grade 1 artists all the way from the United Kingdom to share her technique, answer their questions, and teach her very unique artistry! Stay tuned for pictures on our NDPS Facebook page. If you would like to see her incredible artwork in the meantime, please check her out on Instagram @banana\_bruiser.*



## Newsletter Hard Copy Request

At Norwood Public School we are environmentally conscious and make efforts to make green choices that leave a much healthier footprint for our children. If you require a hard copy, please return this cut-out to the school.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Or email [laura\\_callahan@kprdsb.ca](mailto:laura_callahan@kprdsb.ca) for a paper copy.