

Brant Monday Communication

November 2nd, 2020



Dear Brant Ave families,

Cold weather is here and with that the need to dress warmly. Parents/guardians are reminded to send students to school with warm clothing including: hats, mitts, jackets, snowpants and outdoor shoes/boots. Layers are suggested. Please consider sending extra socks, mittens and masks in your child(ren)'s backpacks.

#1 Fall Progress Reports Progress reports focus on learning skills or work habits, as well as strengths and next steps, to assist in improving student learning in subject areas.

The Fall Progress Report (to go home November 19th) will provide students and parents with early and specific feedback on the progress made during the first two months of the school year. After these reports go home, there will be an opportunity for parent/teacher conferences. This is your chance to find out early in the school year how your child is progressing. We will send out more information about how to sign up for parent/teacher interviews in the next couple of weeks.

#2 Treaties Recognition Week Teachers and students continue to plan and participate in meaningful activities around Indigenous learning, such as Treaties Recognition Week (Nov.2-Nov.6). This annual recognition honours the importance of treaties, treaty rights and relationships.

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties>

#3 November 11 is Remembrance Day: We cannot accept cash donations at school for the poppies. If you wish to donate you may choose to do so outside of school (grocery stores, etc.). Additional information on donations here:

<https://www.legion.ca/remembrance/the-poppy-campaign/donate-to-the-poppy-fund>

#4 Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week At Brant Avenue, we take a school-wide collaborative approach when solving problems with students. Students are encouraged to first use their words with their

peers if problems arise on the yard or in the classroom. If peer problem solving is unsuccessful, students are to report their concerns right away to a trusted adult.

Using honesty and respect, our students are encouraged to share what happened, as they work toward developing a positive solution.

Brant Avenue Public School will recognize Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week during Nov 16th to Nov 20th. Please note that we will all **wear pink on Friday, November 20th** to say "no to bullying".

#5 School Council Our next Virtual School Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 24 at 6:00 pm. Information on joining the meeting via Zoom will be sent out a week before the 24th.

#6 Bus Information It is the parent's responsibility to determine whether or not it is safe for his or her child to leave for school in inclement or severe weather. A parent must be aware of the following:

When a bus does not travel a route in the morning due to fog, ice, or snow conditions, it will NOT travel that route in the afternoon.

While we have an excellent transportation system, buses may be delayed in the morning due to traffic, poor road conditions, mechanical breakdowns, etc. To ensure your child is not stranded at his/her pick-up point, please make sure they know what to do and where to go if their bus is more than 15 minutes late.

The [STWDSTS](#) website contains the most up-to-date information on school bus delays and cancellations.

Cancellations will also be tweeted @stwdsts. An email will be sent to those subscribed to STWDSTS delays and cancellations.

STWDSTS will post information on bus cancellations on their website by 6:30 a.m. Information on school closures due to bus cancellations will also be posted to the STWDSTS website.

Information on transportation cancellations or school closings due to severe weather is also available through CJOY 1460 AM or Magic 106.1 FM in the event of inclement weather. They will broadcast bus cancellations or school closures. Listen for messages for the City of Guelph -Yellow Card

Date	What's Happening
Monday, November 2 DAY 3	Treaties Recognition Week begins
Tuesday, November 3 DAY 4	Get REAL Virtual Inclusivity Workshop- Junior Students
Wednesday, November 4 DAY 5	
Thursday, November 5 DAY 1	
Friday, November 6 DAY 2	