



# Eagle Heights Public School

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Dear Eagle Heights Families,

We are already into March! Just a reminder that even though we have had some warm temperatures, please check the weather forecast each morning and dress your children appropriately to be outside for extended periods of time at recess and lunch. With the fluctuation in temperatures, students are not always dressed appropriately for the weather. We greatly appreciate your support with this!

March Break is quickly coming and students and staff will receive the week of March 16 – 20 off. We hope that everyone enjoys this time with their children and that you have a chance to spend some good quality family time.



This is a reminder that on Early Sunday morning (March 8<sup>th</sup>) is the beginning of Daylight Savings Time. Do not forget to turn your clocks ahead 1 hour so that you are not late for school on Monday.

Our math learning continues to develop and grow. Please ensure that you take the time to come in and see the math work that is posted in our halls and engage your child in their new learning. Math learning looks very different today as students are not simply just memorizing rules and algorithms, but rather developing a much deeper understanding of how numbers work and flexibility with numbers.

We also continue to work on our Reading goal. Our primary teachers are specifically working with their students on letter sounds, sight word recognition and developing decoding strategies beyond the 'sound it out' strategy. Please continue to support your child by reading each, and every day. This can include reading to your child, having your child read to you and/or a combination of both. If you have any questions about how you can support your child at home, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

## **Kindergarten Registration**

Kindergarten Registration has officially closed however we are still welcoming Kindergarten registrations for the 2020-2021 school year. If you have a child that was born 2016 or know of a friend or neighbor that has a child born in 2016, they are eligible for Kindergarten in September 2020. Please ensure that you get in to register as soon as possible. We need to know how many children we have in order to staff the school with the correct number of staff to accommodate the number of students. The staffing process has started for next year so this information is imperative to helping us be better set for the upcoming school year.

## **Parking Reminders**

This is a reminder about our parking lot and exercising safety at all times. This becomes increasingly important on inclement weather



days. Please remember the parking lot is closed during bus drop off and pick up.

A letter has gone out via School Messenger outlining all of the parking expectations. Please ensure that you adhere to the expectations in the letter. Our goal is to ensure student safety at all times. With the number of students coming and going in the building, it is important that we have procedures in place so that all of our students can enter and exit the school yard in a safe way. We greatly appreciate your support and cooperation with keeping all of our students safe.

We hope that you have a wonderful March break!  
Sincerely,

Mr. K. Overeem, Principal  
Mrs. A. Santos and Dr. J. Brown , Vice-Principals

## HEALTHY TIPS FOR HEALTHY KIDS!

### Tip #5 - Choose Water First to Quench Thirst!

#### Why?

- It keeps teeth clean and strong
- It gives the body needed water without sugar
- It helps the body work well

#### How?

- Use a refillable water bottle
- Have chilled water available in the fridge
- Be a role model by drinking water

**Drink water for your health and theirs!**



March, 2020

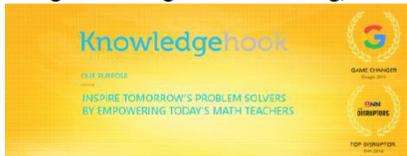
## Home Connections in Mathematics

### Technology and Online Tools and Programs

Our Ontario Curriculum, Mathematics (2005) states that “students will select and use a variety of concrete, visual, and electronic learning tools and appropriate computational strategies to investigate mathematical ideas and to solve problems.”

Technology, used effectively, can dramatically affect student learning. Technology tools can help math learners visualize and make connections and can help motivate students and give them powerful ways of reinforcing or gaining insight into math concepts. It can be a challenge for parents, teachers and administrators to keep up with the continually evolving field of educational technology and ways new technologies can be used.

We are so fortunate in Thames Valley that our students have access to various math software programs to assist them in developing their math skills and understanding, and to be able to apply their learning to various math problems. The majority of our math programs allow students to access the programs at home using their login information. You may have seen your child online using Knowledgehook Learning, for example.



Knowledgehook uses engaging assessment tools to allow students to explore, develop, and review key learning in Grades 3 to 10.

Dreambox Learning is a student-centred, adaptive software program with a strong focus on number sense, numeration and algebra. Dreambox is unique as it is an intuitive program that has the ability to differentiate for student strengths and needs with adaptive lessons to close gaps and offer challenges.



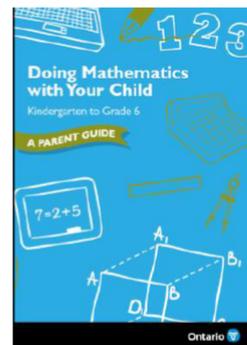
Mathletics is also another popular math program our students and teachers enjoy using. Mathletics offers learning units that span from K to Grade 12 across all strands of mathematics. Through their work in Mathletics, students receive rewards for completing lessons, units, and solving problems.

Mathletics

We know that the internet is a wellspring of information and resources. The resources mentioned here are of high quality and connect directly to our Ontario Mathematics curriculum. We use programs that truly supports healthy and productive mathematics learning. There are a variety of other free online math tools that parents can access so that their children can practice important math skills and concepts in an engaging way. Be sure to check out the games on [www.mathies.ca](http://www.mathies.ca)



If you would like to read more about mathematics learning be sure to check out, '**Doing Mathematics with Your Child: Kindergarten to Grade 6**'. A PDF copy available in several languages can be accessed at this link: <http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideNum.html>



Enjoy and have fun exploring and learning mathematics! 😊