

# October 2020 NEWSLETTER

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### Inclement weather and bus cancellation information reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at [www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca). Our school is in the central zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

The Consortium and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled in the morning will not run at the end of the day. You can follow the Consortium on Twitter [@SCSTC\\_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>

### Character Attribute for the month of October

Cooperation - we work together towards shared goals and purposes. More information about Character Education can be found here: [www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character\\_education](http://www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character_education)

### SCHOOL DAY at TERRY FOX E.S.

8:45	School Begins
10:25-11:05	First Nutrition/Fitness Break
12:45-1:25	Second Nutrition/Fitness Break
3:05	Dismissal

### DAILY Self-assessment

All students and staff will be expected to self-screen **PRIOR** to attending school **EACH DAY**, using a self-assessment tool provided by the SMDHU. Students or staff with symptoms must stay home from school. To access the COVID-19 self-assessment tool, please visit <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>.

### Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 4 to 10

This year's Fire Prevention Week theme, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen" is aimed to better educate the public about where potential cooking hazards exist and basic but critical ways to prevent them. This year's focus on cooking safety is particularly timely seeing as the public may continue to avoid restaurants for some time and opt instead to do more cooking and entertaining at home, the potential for home cooking fires will likely increase as well. For more information about Fire Prevention Week and this year's theme, "Serve Up Fire Safety in the Kitchen," along with a wealth of resources to help promote the campaign locally, visit [fpw.org](http://fpw.org).

*Information from the National Fire Protection Association website*

## Learn about the new math curriculum in the Parents' Guide to Mathematics

Are you curious about the new Ontario mathematics curriculum, and how you can support your child's growth as a mathematician? Visit the Parents' Guide to Mathematics at [ontario.ca/page/new-math-curriculum-grades-1-8](http://ontario.ca/page/new-math-curriculum-grades-1-8), where you can find a summary of the knowledge and skills your child will be learning as they progress through the grades, information about how you can support your child's learning and how the curriculum was developed.

You can make a difference and support your child's learning by making math a regular part of your day-to-day life at home. You can help your children make connections between what they learn in school and everyday experiences at home and in the community.

You can:

- find ways to incorporate math at home
  - inspire a love of learning and better understanding of math
  - talk with your child about their math schoolwork
  - show an interest in what they are learning in class
- help make learning fun by finding real world applications of what they are learning together.

For more ways to support your child's math learning at home, please visit [ontario.ca/page/support-your-childs-math-learning](http://ontario.ca/page/support-your-childs-math-learning).

## Have you met Sora?

Our digital ebook/audiobook collection contains over 4,000 titles waiting to be checked out by our SCDSB students. Students simply download the app, use their SCDSB login and start reading for free on their phone or tablet. The collection can be accessed at: [meet.soraapp.com](http://meet.soraapp.com).

## Reminder

Children's items are kept in the classroom under their desks this school year. Please only send necessary items as there is extremely limited space in the classroom!



## Days of Awareness and Recognition taking place in October

Throughout the year, there are many awareness days that focus on different causes and recognition. The Simcoe County District School Board has developed a list of these days as a guide for schools. Schools may participate in recognizing some or all of these days in various ways. This list is not exhaustive. Following are the days of awareness and recognition that the SCDSB will recognize during the month of October:

### Important Dates

October	Canadian Autism Awareness Month
Oct. 1	International Coffee Day
Oct. 2	National Custodial Workers Recognition Day
Oct. 5	World Teachers' Day
Oct. 7	International Walk to School Day
Oct. 10	World Mental Health Day
Oct. 11	International Day of the Girl
Oct. 19-23	National School Bus Safety Week
Oct. 21	School Bus Driver Appreciation Day
Oct. 24	Child Care Worker and ECE Appreciation Day
Oct. 27	Ontario Dress Purple Day - Association of Children's Aid Societies