

Sunnyside November 2018 Newsletter



Dear Parents,

Parent-Teacher Night

For Cycle 2 & 3, Parent-Teacher meetings are on Thursday, November 22nd from 3:00pm until 7:00pm. Come in to see how your child is progressing in term 1! Parents will be able to review and sign their child's IEP's at this time. Additional information will be sent home from the class teacher. Report cards will be available on-line on November 14th, paper copies can be requested from Heather S.

Sexuality Education Program

In these times of increased sexualisation on TV, the Internet, the News, advertising, movies and more, our children are more exposed to unhealthy examples of human relationships. In order to help young people develop a good sense of relationships and sexuality, the Ministry of Education has developed a program of Sexuality Education that begins this school year. In the coming weeks and months Sunnyside teachers will be meeting to plan how to integrate the content into regular classes. One approach that has worked in other schools is to use children's books that can bring out a message for discussion, such as gender stereotyping, a new baby in the home, or saying No!.

The Ministry is preparing more detailed information for parents which will be sent when ready.

Governing Board

The next meeting of the Sunnyside Governing Board is Monday November 12th at 6pm. Any parent is welcome to attend and ask questions during the designated question period. Parents can ask any parent rep to request an item be added to a meeting agenda. Parent members are Amber Stremmelaar, Tara Hamilton, Jolene Smith, Jason Poitras and Melissa Derik Parker.

Read with your child every day

Reading scores are going up at Sunnyside and parents can help them get better. Reading with your child is one of the best ways to help success in school. All students are encouraged to read at home every day, and having mom or dad as part of the reading will encourage the youngster. This can be reading to the littlest children, reading along with those who are developing reading skills and for older children, the parent may even read something different during a quiet reading time.

Healthy Snacks

Please send healthy snacks to school for your child, such as fruit, vegetables, cheese, yogurt, or half a sandwich. Students who eat a healthy snack are better set for learning throughout the day. We all want the best for our children and students. Note that soft drinks and candy are not permitted at school.

Steve Weary, Principal

Heather Webster, Head Teacher

Heather Stratton, Secretary