



Grapeview *Gazette* - October



October News!

We can hardly believe that September has come and gone already! And what a busy September it was! Grapeview staff and students worked hard to settle into new routines and expectations, eagerly and excitedly participated in their new grade learning, and smiled and laughed with friends and classmates. We are so very happy to have our students back learning with us!

As we walked through the halls of Grapeview this month, we could hear the familiar sound of students eagerly participating in lessons, happily sharing answers, ideas, and stories, and taking time to chat with friends during nutrition breaks in their classrooms. During outdoor fitness breaks, students enjoyed

time socializing in their designated spaces and created and taught each other some great new touchless games.

Thank you families for all you've done to make it a successful transition back to school this September! It is because of the collective efforts of the whole school community, that our start-up has been so wonderful!

Mrs. Libera & Mrs. St.John

We Would Like to Help

*We believe it is also important to acknowledge that the pandemic has greatly impacted many of our Grapeview families over the past seven months. If you or your family would benefit from some assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out as we have access to some additional resources that we would like to share. You can reach us at **905-984-5517** or email us through the school website.*

Information From the Office

Going to be Absent?



If your child is going to be absent, you can either use the School Messenger app or call 1-866-606-5567 to report the absence. Absences can be reported in advance, and can be done 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. When you are logging into your Messenger account for the first time this year, please log out of Messenger and then log back in.

Information on setting up School Messenger can be found [HERE](#).

Calling ahead for early dismissal?

*If you are calling ahead to have your child(ren) dismissed early from school please **call before 2:30pm**. Many classes are outside for last period in good weather for Phys. Ed., DPA and mask relief. It is important for us to know dismissal information early in order that we may relay this information to your child.*



Verification Forms



*We have extended our deadline for our Cash Online forms. There are three important forms to be signed by **Friday, October 9nd**:*

- 1. Daily Parental Screening Agreement*

This is important to ensure the health and safety of our school community.

2. DSBN Curricular (Physical Education Classes)

This form is required for students to participate in the physical education program.

3. Information Technology Digital Citizenship Agreement

This form is required for students to use technology while at school.

Please take a moment to fill out these forms so that your child can fully participate in all activities.

***Instructions on how to create your School Cash Online account [HERE](#)*

Staying Subscribed = Staying Connected



*A reminder for parents/guardians that this year **communication from the school will be paperless** and will be provided via email. Please **stay subscribed** to emails from the school; otherwise, you will not be informed through School Messenger and/or Aspen of the important events and happenings at Gra review.*

Keep Personal Items Home...

*Just a reminder to the community that we are working to minimize, as much as possible, items moving from school to home and home to school. **Please help us by sending only necessary items to school with your child(ren)**; for example, lunch bags, water bottles, and extra shoes/clothes. **Please ensure***

that your child does not bring extra items like toys, food to share, or things they may wish to pass on to other students. This includes invitations to parties or events. If students bring these items to school with them, they will be asked to leave them in their backpacks and the items will be returned home.

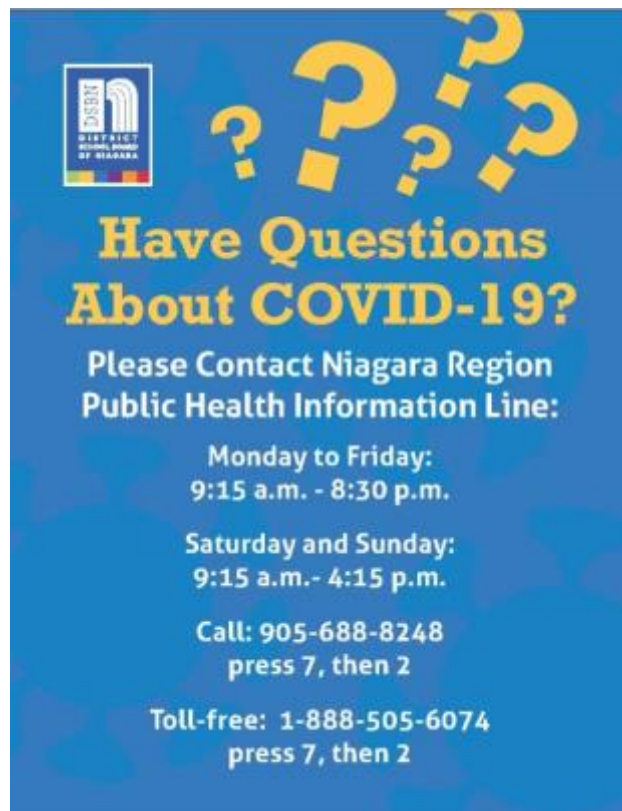
Thank you for your understanding and diligence in this matter.



Daily Covid-19 Assessment

Just a reminder:

Parents are required to screen their children for Covid-19 symptoms each day before school. If children display symptoms, they should remain home and parents should contact NRPH or a health care provider to see if testing is recommended. We appreciate your efforts in helping to keep our school safe.

Please look forward receiving further information that will be shared with you regarding the Ontario Government's screening tool for parents. A revised version will be sent out sometime next week and will also be available on our website.



**Have Questions
About COVID-19?**

**Please Contact Niagara Region
Public Health Information Line:**

Monday to Friday:
9:15 a.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday:
9:15 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Call: 905-688-8248
press 7, then 2

Toll-free: 1-888-505-6074
press 7, then 2

Terry Fox Run Oct 5-9



*Grapeview School is very excited to be participating in the **Terry Fox Walk** during the first week of October.*

*This year, classes have been scheduled an individual time to walk during the week of Oct. 5. Our walk will take place on the Grapeview School back field and all students will participate in this worthwhile event during their class' scheduled time. Thank you to **Mr. Armstrong** for his efforts in organizing this event for our school.*

We are very proud to be associated with the Terry Fox Foundation and believe that our involvement will launch a successful, positive and meaningful school year. We count on your support. Let's keep Terry's dream to find a cure for cancer alive.

We are encouraging families to make donations online as we will not be collecting monetary donations at the school this year.

If you wish to make an online donation to the Terry Fox Foundation please use

<http://www.terryfox.ca/GrapeviewPSStCatharines>.

Thank you for helping to make this worthwhile event a success.

Parent Council



If you are interested in becoming more actively involved in your child's education and the inner workings of Grapeview Public School, we encourage you to join our School Council! This group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. We welcome new members!

*Please consider joining us at our first VIRTUAL Teams meeting on **Tuesday, October 27th from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.** We will be electing our executive and establishing our general membership during this meeting. Please email using our school website to let us know if you will be attending!*

*An executive council nomination form can be filled out using this link; [**NOMINATION FORM**](#)*

Lunchroom Supervisor Hellos and Goodbyes!

*A great big thank you goes out to **Mrs. Gray** for her years of dedication to the students and staff of Grapeview through her lunch room supervisor role. We would like to wish Mrs. Gray the best of luck as she begins her retirement. All the best!*

*We would also like to introduce **Mrs. Randa Ali** as the newest member of our Grapeview Supervisor team. She replaced Mrs. Gray beginning earlier this week.*

*Thank you also to **Mrs. Boisvert** and **Mrs. Hassan** who continue to support us each and every day here at Grapeview supervising our students. We couldn't do it without you Ladies!*

Upcoming Dates



October:

Oct. 2 Rowan's Law Day at the DSBN

Oct. 3 World Teachers' Day

Oct. 5-9 Terry Fox Walk Week

Oct. 12 Thanksgiving - No School

Staying Connected



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