# Southwood

# Weekly Update /

# Mise à jour hebdomadaire

# November 14 - 18, 2022

### SCC Meeting – Nov 14 @ 7:00 pm

We are looking forward to our next SCC (hybrid) Meeting taking place on Monday, November 14, 2022, at 7:00 pm. Childcare will be provided for in-person attendees. The agenda for the SCC Meeting is attached to this message. If you would like to receive a link to the virtual version of the meeting, please email Mr. Budd (david.budd@ddsb.ca).

#### Library Construction

With the shortage in portables across the DDSB this year, we have had a portion of our library housing Ms. Hembruff's Grade 3/4 class. We will be having a permanent wall (with windows and doors) put up to support a permanent classroom being created in a portion of the library. We have been in discussions with the board to have updates take place in the remaining area of the library, with the goal of having those completed in the spring. The first phase of library construction will begin on Friday, November 18 (Parent/Family Interviews (AM) & P.A. Day (PM)). Construction of the wall will be completed by November 25<sup>th</sup>. The week of November 21 – 25, Ms. Hembruff's class will be using the Staff Room for Monday-Tuesday, and then an open classroom (with Grade 6 students gone to Claremont) Wednesday – Friday, with the return to their classroom (the newly created Room 210) on Monday, November 28.

### **October (Virtual) Assembly**

We are happy to share the amazing work of our students in the creation and presentation of the SPPS October Assembly. Access to the video will be open on Monday, November 14. Please click on the link to access the video: <u>October (Virtual)</u> <u>Assembly.</u>

#### Winter Primary Concert

The staff and students are planning a Primary Winter Concert on the evening of December 14, 2022. We are hopeful that conditions will allow for a large group indoor setting but will also have a contingency plan for an outdoor performance. More information will be shared in the coming weeks.



### Life Club Fundraiser

Thank you to all families that bought self-made bookmarks and stickers that the student Life Club was selling at their fundraiser this past week. The fundraiser made over \$80, which will be supporting the purchasing of materials for the Monarch Waystation we will be building at the school later this school year. We appreciate the amazing effort of the students and support from our community!

## Southwood Swag – Clothing – Send out this week

Thank you to Mr. Ross and Ms. Kennedy for organizing *Southwood Swag* for the 2022/23 school year. Order forms will be sent out electronically to families this week, with ordering instructions.

## **Reminder of Staff Only Parking**

A reminder to all families that parking on school property is for *staff only*. We recognize that the area in front of the school is very busy during the entry and exit times, but appreciate drivers following this rule as several families enter and exit using the school parking lot and grounds.

## Lunchroom Supervisors (Supply list) Wanted

We are welcoming applications for Lunchroom Supervisor (LRS) positions for our supply list at this time. If you are interested in applying or finding out more information in regard to the position, please contact Ms. Saati by email (<u>rema.saati@ddsb.ca</u>) or phoning the school (905-683-5230). Thank you! Have a great rest of the week, Mr. Budd & Mme Saati

# DAILY EVENTS

The Character Trait for November is Empathy

November is:

- Hindu Heritage Month
- Albanian Heritage Month

SPPS Activities – Week at a Glance:

Mon. Nov. 14 Day 3	<ul> <li>SCC Meeting (7pm – hybrid)</li> <li>Transgender Awareness Week</li> </ul>
Tues., Nov.15 Day 4	<ul> <li>Jr/Int Cricket Practice (AM)</li> <li>Jr. Girls Volleyball Practice (Lunch)</li> <li>Dungeons &amp; Dragons Int. Club (Lunch)</li> </ul>
Wed., Nov. 16 Day 5	<ul> <li>Jr. Girls Volleyball Practice (AM)</li> <li>Life Club Meeting (Lunch)</li> <li>Jr. Girls Volleyball Jamboree (PM)</li> </ul>
Thurs., Nov. 17 Day 1	<ul> <li>Pizza Lunch</li> <li>Jr. Girls Volleyball Practice (AM)</li> <li>Parent/Family Interviews (4 – 8 pm)</li> </ul>
Fri., Nov. 18 Day 2	<ul> <li>PA Day (School Closed)</li> <li>Parent/Family Interviews (AM)</li> <li>Library Construction (Nov. 18 – 25) Begins</li> </ul>

Upcoming Dates:

November 20: Transgender Day of Remembrance November 20: Universal Children's Day November 21: Photo Retake Day November 21 – 25: Library Wall Construction November 23-25: Gr. 6 (Cooper/Dawidek/Ross) Claremont Trip November 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women November 25: Int. Boys Basketball Tryout November 26: Holodomor Memorial Day November 27: Ascension of Abdul-Baha November 28: First Sunday of Advent November 29: International Day of Solidarity with Palestinian People November 29: Int. Boys Basketball Tryout November 29: Int. Boys Basketball Tryout November 29: Int. Boys Basketball Tryout

# Quote of the Week: "Empathy may be the single most important quality that must be nurtured to give peace a fighting chance." – Arundhati Ray