



NEW LOWELL CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

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CHARACTER TRAIT: COURAGE – We do the right thing even when it is difficult



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- November 6: Junior Girls Basketball Tournament
- November 6: School Council Meeting – 6:30 pm
- November 7: Character Recognition Assembly – 9:30
- November 8: Junior Boys Basketball Tournament
- November 10: Progress Reports Go Home
- November 10: Remembrance Day Assembly – 12:15 p.m.
- November 15: Plaid Spirit Day
- November 15-17: Book Fair
- November 16: Photo Retake Day
- November 16: Interviews 3:30 to 8:00
- November 17: PA Day Elementary - Interviews
- November 17: Interviews 9:00 to 12:00
- November 22: Gr. 7 – Hep/Men/HPV
- November 28: Area Intermediate Girls + Boys Basketball
- November 30: Crazy Hair Spirit Day

Please Note:

- Staff supervision is not available for students until 8:55 a.m.
- Ensure that all children are sent with clothing suited for the colder temperatures.

Listen to the radio (KICX 104.1, ROCK 95, CHAY 93.1 or PEAK 95.1) and/or check the Board website (www.scdsb.on.ca) for bus cancellations. New Lowell Central P.S. is classified in the **Simcoe County West Zone**.

DROPPING STUDENTS OFF AT SCHOOL

Our parking lot is extremely busy in the morning and at 3:30 dismissal. Parents/Guardians who drop off or pick up their child are asked to do so at the **east gates** of the school. **Students should not be let out or picked up in the parking lot.** Please remain behind the buses in the parking lot and wait until they have dropped off / picked up students. Do not go around the school bus when it is stopped in our parking lot! Our entrance to the school parking lot is **ONE WAY ONLY**. An alternative is to drop off students at the road side where they would access the sidewalk and proceed to the pathway on the east side. Your cooperation and understanding with this matter of safety is much appreciated.



Bus cancellation information in case of inclement weather

Winter is just around the corner in Simcoe County and with it comes the possibility of severe inclement weather conditions, challenging winter driving conditions and, as a result, possible bus and school event cancellations.

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium's bus information website at www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca. Our school is in the **WEST ZONE**. When buses are cancelled, please remember that schools are still open (unless otherwise noted) for student learning.

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 subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions> and you can follow the Consortium on Twitter @SCSTC_SchoolBus.

PARENT/STUDENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Confirmation sheets for the interviews on November 16 and 17 will be coming home with your child's report on November 10, 2017. Interview request forms will be sent Monday, October 30, 27. Please complete and return ASAP. We encourage all parents/guardians to meet with their child's teacher at this time.

SPAGHETTI DINNER/SILENT AUCTION

For the past several years we have hosted a silent auction and spaghetti dinner on Interview night in November. This was to raise money to lower the cost of the intermediate trip. It takes an immense amount of planning and work to happen and over the years, parents available to volunteer their time to cook, serve, and run the auction has dwindled. As a result, we will not be holding the dinner or auction this year.

LIBRARY NEWS

Start Your Christmas Shopping Early!!! Books Make Great Gifts!

We are very excited to be hosting our second Book Fair in November. It will be open on Wednesday, November 15th during nutrition breaks, Thursday, November 16th during nutrition breaks and for the evening of Parent/Teacher Interviews. We will be open Friday, November 17th until noon during Parent/Teacher Interviews. Please drop by and see us then. This is a great opportunity to start some early Christmas shopping and to donate a book to your child's classroom. Check out the Teacher's Wish Lists while you browse over a wide selection of popular reading materials as well as nifty gift ideas. We look forward to seeing you then.



IT'S TIME TO UPDATE YOUR CHILD'S IMMUNIZATION RECORDS!

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit is required to keep up to date immunization records for all students who attend elementary or secondary school in the County of Simcoe and the District of Muskoka. Parents are responsible for reporting immunizations to the health unit each time their child receives a vaccine from their health care provider. It's easier than ever to update your child's immunization status. Go to www.smdhu.org/immsonline to update your child's record, or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.

THE FACTS OF LICE

Working together, we will help keep head lice in check. This means that all families must do regular head checks and treat their child if head lice are found. There is a *Head Lice Fact Sheet* available on the Simcoe county District Health Unit's website at www.simcoehealth.org, click on Health Topics, then Parenting, then Facts of Lice. For further information, call the Simcoe County District Health Unit's Health Connection Line at 721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.

OHIP+ PROVIDES FREE PRESCRIPTION DRUG COVERAGE FOR CHILDREN

Beginning January 1, 2018, the province will provide free prescription drug coverage for children and youth aged 24 and under, regardless of family income. Under OHIP+, Ontario children and youth will have access to over 4,400 medications and other drug products. Enrollment in OHIP+ will be automatic, based on age. There are no upfront costs, no co-payment and no annual deductible. Those who are eligible for OHIP+ will only need their health card number and a valid prescription from their doctor or nurse practitioner when they visit their pharmacist. For more information, visit: www.ontario.ca/page/learn-about-ohip-plus.

EYE SEE...EYE LEARN PROGRAM

The Eye See...Eye Learn program provides comprehensive eye exams by local optometrists to Junior Kindergarten (JK) students. The eye exams are covered under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) when parents show their child's health card. There is not out-of-pocket cost for the eye exam and if the child requires a pair of glasses, they will receive them free of charge courtesy of a participating optometrist. For more information, visit www.Eyeseeyelearn.ca.

POPCORN

Popcorn will be for sale starting on Tuesday, October 31st. It will be sold during first nutrition break and will cost \$1. Flavours include dill pickle, white cheddar and regular. Profits will go towards the Intermediate Trip.

QSP

Our QSP fundraising campaign is underway. Catalogues and order forms were sent home last Wednesday. The campaign will run until Friday, November 3rd.

MABEL'S LABELS FUNDRAISER

Tired of your child losing things?! Our school has a large lost and found! Help minimize lost belongings with the help of Mabel's Labels. Mabel's Labels is a company with all types of labels that are colourful, indestructible, easy-to-use and fun! Iron-Ons, Stickies, Bag Tags, Allergy Alert labels & more! Personalize your labels with names, nicknames, initials - whatever you choose. Cool icons help even little ones identify their own belongings. Dishwasher, microwave, laundry & kid tested! Dispatched within 24 hours! Visit <http://www.newlowell.mabelslabels.com/> to place your order while helping our fundraiser! All funds raised will be used for to enhance our playground.

LOST AND FOUND

Our lost and found is growing – please ask your children to check for clothing!

Please check the SCDSB web site at www.scdsb.on.ca for news and events from the Board.