

Hillcrest Elementary School



WELCOME BACK!

It sure is starting to feel like fall already. I'm not sure where the back-end of summer went.

Thank you parents/guardians for all of your support in getting your child ready and prepared for school. It is wonderful to see all of the former Huskies return, as well as new Huskies join the pack. We missed all of the smiling faces (we know they are smiling under their masks).

It has been a really good start-up. The students have been amazing. They have adapted and are following all of the new rules and protocols. We are all trying to adjust to this new normal. School may seem different in some ways, but in other ways it is the same.

I can't thank our staff enough for all of their hard work in preparing our school for this year's start-up. We have an amazing group of office professionals, custodians, ECEs, EAs and teachers here at Hillcrest. What a wonderful team.

If you ever have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or the office.

Allergies

/Anaphylaxis

We are a nut free school, fragrance free school

We ask that students, parents and staff are diligent to ensure that nuts, and nut products are not brought into the school (peanuts, peanut butter, tree nuts or other foods made using nut products).

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sanitizer

The school will supply sanitizer. However, if you wish to send sanitizer with your child to use please ensure that it is **scent-free**. Thank you.



School Messenger for important school information

How to sign up:

Text "YES" to 978338 to receive message related to:

Emergency

- School related emergency situations impacting families
- Weather-related school delays and closures
- Power outages or other issues during the school day



General

- School activities, events
- Meeting notifications (e.g. School Council)

Commercial/Fundraising

What's your 40?

This year marks the 40th anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope. On Friday, September 25th we will celebrate this achievement at Hillcrest. Classes will go outside during one of their 40 minute periods for our annual Terry Fox event. Students are asked to wear Red and White that day..

School Cash will be open next week should you wish to donate. We are not accepting cash at school. Any donations will be sent to the Terry Fox Foundation.



Class Placement

For all students in the Bluewater District School Board, placement in classes during the full month of September is considered tentative and is subject to change while the school's final enrolment is determined. Therefore, there is the potential for your child to have a change in his/her classroom or teacher after school begins. The changes, if necessary, will hopefully be completed by early to mid October.

Thank you for your understanding and trust in our professional decisions with regard to the education of your children, our students. It is greatly appreciated.



Bus Students

Reminder for Bus Students if you are walking/biking/being picked up please call before 2pm 519-376-1771 ext. 100 OR text the school phone before 2pm 519-373-7247 this will help with end of day bussing.



Check us out on FB

Check us out at @OS_Hillcrest

Bus Cancellations

There have been a number of On-line bus cancellations for Bruce & Grey counties will continue to be on <https://www.mybrucegreyschoolbus.ca/Cancellations.aspx>. Anyone can subscribe for email notifications for general notices, school closures and route cancellations & delays. You must first confirm that you have a valid email address. To subscribe go to the above site, click on the "Subscriptions" icon, then click on "Subscribe". Enter your email address and press the "Subscribe" button. You will receive an email confirmation containing a link that you will need to click to complete the subscription process. Once you have confirmed your email address you will be able to login and select what you want to subscribe to and update your information (if necessary).

Be Prepared for the weather

Because of the need for students to be outside during the school day we are asking that parents keep an eye on the weather forecast and send proper outdoor clothing. We likely will still be spending time outside if it is rainy. If you have extra rain boots, rain jackets or splash pants please consider donating them to the school. Thank you.

