



Wednesday, March 27th, 2019

For Your Information

Walking, Bikes, and Arriving Early



With springtime trying to get here, some students may like to walk home instead of riding the bus. Walking home is a great idea, but please be reminded that students that regularly ride the bus MUST have permission from the school BEFORE they can change the way that they get home. This procedure is necessary for the general safety of students.

If your child wishes to walk home, you need to inform the school in writing, or with a phone call, so that we can know how our students are getting home.

If a child rides their bicycle to school, we will assume that you have given permission for your child to return home on their bike. Be reminded, that ATV's and dirt-bikes are not permitted on school property.

Please note that **students are not permitted inside the building until 8:30am and 12:35pm,** or until the arrival of the first bus, whichever occurs first. Students who arrive early must wait outside the building until they are permitted to enter.

Be Cool for Autism

In recognition of **World Autism Awareness Day** on Tuesday, April 2nd, Hillview Academy will be having a **"Be Cool for Autism" Day** to spread the theme that it's cool to be accepting of everyone.

For a donation of \$2, students will be permitted to wear their favourite sunglasses all day! *(There may be exceptions when safety is a concern)*



BE COOL FOR AUTISM
WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY APRIL 2

All funds raised will be donated to the Autism Society of Newfoundland & Labrador to support the work they do in Central Region. This awareness and fundraising campaign is supported by NLESD and NLTA.

Spring Photo Session

A LifeTouch® photographer will be here on **April 3rd**. Kindergarten and Grade 9 Year end class pictures will be taken at that time. There will also be an opportunity for individual and/or sibling photos to be taken. An information sheet already been sent home.



TIMSS and PCAP

On April 8th the Grade 4 students will be involved in an educational research project investigating student achievement in mathematics and science. The project is called **TIMSS: Trends in International Math and Science Study**. An information letter and brochure will be sent home to explain the rationale and procedure.

On April 30th, the Grade 8 students will also be involved in a similar project. The **PCAP (Pan-Canadian Assessment Program)** will assess the knowledge and skills of students across Canada in the core subjects of reading, mathematics, and science. An information letter and brochure was sent home a few weeks ago about this study.

Healthy Students and Healthy Schools Summit

On Tuesday, April 9th, our grade 7-9 students will be attending a special day at Lewisporte Collegiate. The event is called "Healthy Students and Healthy Schools Summit" and will engage our students throughout the day in various sessions/discussions focused on important issues facing our teenagers today. The day is presented in collaboration with Central Health; here is the proposed list of topics:

Distracted Driving
Consensual Relationships
Ice Safety
STI Follow-up
Body Image

Drugs and Alcohol
Healthy Eating
Vaping
Mental Health

Students will move through the sessions on a 20min rotation; there may be some choice in which sessions they want to attend. The students will be bused to and from Lewisporte and lunch will be provided.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students to get involved in important issues around mental health and student safety; it also provides a transitional opportunity for our students to see new faces and experience the high-school environment.

Personal Hygiene and Hand Washing

It is expected that students arrive at school with a reasonable level of **personal cleanliness**. While at school, students are expected to demonstrate generally accepted hygiene practices.

Parents, please be mindful that when your child reaches grade 6-9, their bodies change dramatically. We would appreciate your help in making sure that your child has a frequent shower/bathing routine (*every day for some*) and comes to school daily wearing clean clothes. Do not use heavy scented products. Provide a deodorant stick and clean gym clothes on gym days.



Also, please emphasize the importance of **frequent hand-washing**. Hand-washing is one of the best defenses against the transmission of the "bugs" that make our children ill...no one likes to be sick, or have a child that is sick. Hand-washing after washroom use, before lunch-time, and after a sneeze or cough into the hands will help to keep the sick germs outside of the little bodies. In the interest of everyone's well-being, please do not send your child to school if they are *obviously very sick* with a communicable illness.

Be assured that the school has good procedures to help maintain a hygienic environment for our students. Tables, desktops, and doorknobs are disinfected every day, and teachers reinforce good hygiene habits as necessary.

Thank-you for your cooperation.



Reminder

Parent/Teacher Conferences are going ahead on Thursday, March 28th, from 1:00-4:30 and from 5:30-7:00. Call to make an appointment.

School is closed on Friday, March 29th, for a teacher PD day.

Upcoming Events

Volunteer Week is April 8-12th.

Easter Break is April 19-28th.

Our ROV Team will be heading to St. John's to participate in the MATE event on May 2-3rd.

Spring Concert is scheduled for June 11th.

Missed a Memo? Check out the Web-Site! Check in at the school web-site www.hillviewacademy.com for the latest school updates.





Hillview Academy

April, 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 (6)	2 (7) Be Cool for Autism Day	3 (8) Pictures - Spring Shoot, K and 9 year end class pictures	4 (1)	5 (2)	6
7 Volunteer Week	8 (3) TIMISS - Grade 4	9 (4) Healthy Students/Healthy Schools Summit: Grade 7-9	10 (5) NHL Play-offs Begin	11 (6)	12 (7)	13
14	15 (8)	16 (1)	17 (2)	18 (3)	19 (4) Good Friday	20
21 Easter Sunday	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 (4)	30 (5) PCAP - Grade 8	Easter Break			
Upcoming: May 2-3 ROV Event in St. John's May 17 Teacher PD - School closed May 20 Victoria Day Holiday June 11 Spring Concert						
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