



## THE PHOENIX FLYER – NOVEMBER 2022



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This Month's Character trait is... **COURAGE**

"we do the right thing even when it's difficult."

More information about Character  
Education can be found here:

[https://www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character\\_education](https://www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character_education)

### School Hours

Yard Supervision	8:55 AM
Entry Bell	9:10 AM
First Break	10:50-11:30 AM
Second Break	1:10-1:50 PM
Dismissal	3:30 PM

**Subscribe & Follow Fred C. Cook for the latest information and updates at our school**

- Our school's website <http://fcc.scdsb.on.ca/> (Click Subscribe at the top of home page to stay up-to-date)



- Follow us on Twitter for the latest updates and exciting events & news @FredCCookPS

### DATES to Remember

November 1st	FCC Spirit Day - Let's get physical
November 2,3 & 4	Dental Screening
November 3rd	Jr. Girls and Boys Volleyball
November 7th	School Council Meeting 6:00-7:30 pm
November 10th	Progress Reports
November 11th	Remembrance Day
November 16th	Photo Retake Day
November 16-21	Book Fair
November 17th	Parent Teacher Conferences
November 18th	PA Day
November 22nd	Boys Intermediate Volleyball & Girls Intermediate Basketball (Basketball@ FCC)

Significant days, holy days and heritage recognition occurring this month – please see the link to:

[Holy Days Link](#)

[Heritage Recognition Link](#)

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## From the Office

To minimize disruptions, we would ask that you ensure to send your child with a lunch, water bottle, snacks and all necessary belongings each morning. Dropping off items at the school during the middle of the day will not ensure a timely delivery and there is the possibility of a mix up.

In addition, to minimize disruptions, we ask that students arrive at school in time for the 9:10 AM bell and remain at school until dismissal at 3:30 PM with the exception being unforeseen situations and appointments.



Start time



End time

## Around the School

This year we had a great turn out for both our junior volleyball teams. The students have been eagerly practicing each day through their lunch hour. Mr. Dixon and Mme Briand are excited to bring the teams to their final tournament on Thursday November 3, 2022. The junior boys' tournament will take place at WH Day, and the junior girls' tournament will take place at Fieldcrest. Good luck to both teams!

### Junior Girls

Iryna, Duha, Josephine, Brooke Mc. , Brooke M. , Aliyah V. , Hope, Samantha, Jaylah, Ella, Narges, & Aliya M.

### Junior Boys

Keegan, Kyle, Vlad, Ethan, Cairo, Adem, Bryce, Issac, Yury, Dylan, Hayden, & Austin



## Remembrance Day

This year Fred C Cook will be hosting an in-person Remembrance Day ceremony. The assembly will begin promptly at 9:30 am in the gym on Friday November 11, 2022. Mrs. Stockall will be our guest speaker this year. She will be sharing the story of her nephew, Corporal Matthew Dinning, who was tragically killed in Afghanistan. Families are welcome to come join us for our Remembrance Day assembly.

## Spirit-Wear

Please see the link for our newly designed **spirit-wear** <https://bigleaguegear.ca/collections/fred-c-cook-public-spiritwear>



## School council for 2022-23 school year

Our school and school council would love to see more parents/guardians join us this year. Joining is a good opportunity for parents/guardians to meet others in the school community. Our council also has social nights where they meet throughout the school year. Our next meeting is **Monday, November 7 from 6:00 to 7:30pm in the library.** [School Board information on school council's link](#)

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## Communication to families regarding inclement weather days

*Please note that APM A3020 – Inclement Weather, 3.1.2 states that “parents/guardians are to be reminded, in writing at appropriate times (October and January) each school year, that it is their responsibility to decide whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.”*

*If you have not already shared this information with families at your school, please do so via your school newsletter, email or the communication method that you use to reach your families. Our communications department has provided the following message:*

## Inclement weather and bus cancellation information reminder

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at [www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca). Our school is in the South zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. School staff are expected to plan for such emergencies in order to transition students who are unable to attend due to inclement weather, to their online platforms (Google Classroom and/or SCDSBhub [Brightspace by D2L]) and continue with academic programming. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

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 follow the Consortium on Twitter [@SCSTC\\_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>.



## School bus transportation information available from the SCSTC

In order to receive delay and cancellation notifications, families can check the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC) website at [www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) or download the 'BusPlanner Delays' app from the Apple or Android app stores to receive delay notifications to their devices. Users would need to select Simcoe County STC as the transportation authority. The app will need to be forced closed, but you will be able to select your student(s) routes or school to receive delays.

The app will send a general notice for any cancellation in Simcoe County. You only need to know which 'zone' you're in, so you would know which one to look out for in the app. You can find your student's zone by visiting the School Bus Status page at [www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca) and clicking the dropdown for the area you live in.

## Ventilation

The Ministry of Education ventilation strategy is one strategy that was implemented in schools to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission and to support healthier and safer learning environments. The SCDSB has fully functioning mechanical ventilation systems at all schools. [Learn more on our website.](#)

## High school information events for Grade 8 students

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information events will take place in-person this winter! Student leaders and staff at the school will give an overview of what's new and what to expect. Learn about courses offered, as well as information about teams and clubs. Please visit the SCDSB website at [www.scdsb.on.ca/secondary/planning\\_for\\_high\\_school](http://www.scdsb.on.ca/secondary/planning_for_high_school) to find details on your high schools' info night and contact the school directly for more information.

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### **Parents/guardians and students invited to learn about planning for the skilled trades at virtual event on Dec. 1.**

Are you not fully sold on the skilled trades as a career? Not everyone is. On Thursday, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m., participants in *What our School Families Need to Know About Skilled Trades Careers* will learn about apprenticeship pathways and can hear how to best explore a career in the trades while still in high school. Parents/guardians and Grade 7 to 12 students can consider what one employment researcher has discovered about contradictory perspectives on skilled trades careers. He will share findings based on interviews with hundreds of tradespeople and reveal the results of surveying 500 parents/guardians.

This interactive virtual evening, presented by the Simcoe County District School Board, will feature Dr. Jon Callegher, Executive Director at Job Talks, and will include information about apprenticeship, tech ed in our schools, cooperative education, and a question-and-answer segment. Participants can submit questions in advance here: <https://forms.gle/K1fHeartoGYnDd3u8>. More information regarding the event will be shared in the coming weeks on the SCDSB's website ([scdsb.on.ca](https://scdsb.on.ca)) and social media accounts.

### **Treaties Recognition Week takes place Nov. 6 to 12**

Treaties Recognition Week was introduced in 2016 to honour the importance of treaties and to help Ontarians learn more about treaty rights and treaty relationships. Treaties Recognition Week is the first week of November every year - this year it is Nov. 6 to 12. This annual event honours the importance of treaties and helps students and residents of Ontario learn more about treaty rights and relationships. By learning more about our collective treaty rights and obligations, we can create greater understanding and nurture these relationships. Take some time Nov. 6 to 12 to learn about the treaty in your area. To learn more about the treaties and how we can honour them, visit [www.ontario.ca/page/treaties](https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties).

### **Grade 1 French Immersion information**

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) offers French Immersion (FI) at select schools throughout Simcoe County beginning in Grade 1. The goal of the FI program is to enable students to communicate in French with a high level of proficiency, enabling them to function with ease in both French and English. Upon graduation from the program, students will communicate in French with confidence in a wide variety of real-life situations.

Grade 1 FI family information nights are held annually in advance of the application process for the following school year. This year, FI family information nights will be held in-person throughout the month of November at the respective FI school locations. The designated Grade 1 FI site for our school is Harvest Hills Public School. The information night for this school will be Tuesday November 15, 2022, at 6:00pm at Harvest Hills Public School.

**The SCDSB board-wide electronic applications for the Grade 1 FI program for all sites will open Thursday, Dec. 1 at 9 a.m. and close at 4 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 16.** Entry into the FI program is determined through a digitally randomized lottery system.



### **Nov. 29 is Eat Well to Excel Day in Simcoe County**

Eat Well to Excel is a Simcoe County non-profit community partnership that supports our school's student nutrition program. The funding provided by Eat Well to Excel allows us to supply students with access to healthy snacks during the school day.

The pandemic has caused a significant financial strain on many families in our region and new data shows that 1 in 3 kids in Canada are at risk of going to school hungry. Kids that are hungry struggle to retain knowledge and keep focused throughout the day. They are also at an increased risk of experiencing poor mental health and a compromised immune system. With your support we can maintain and hopefully improve our program to provide a consistent supply of healthy

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food to our students.

You can make a donation by visiting [eatwelltoexcel.ca](https://eatwelltoexcel.ca). You can either support the county-wide program or direct your donation to our school. Please include our school name in the comment box to ensure the donation goes directly to our program. A tax receipt will be emailed to you.

For more information about Eat Well to Excel visit [eatwelltoexcel.ca](https://eatwelltoexcel.ca).



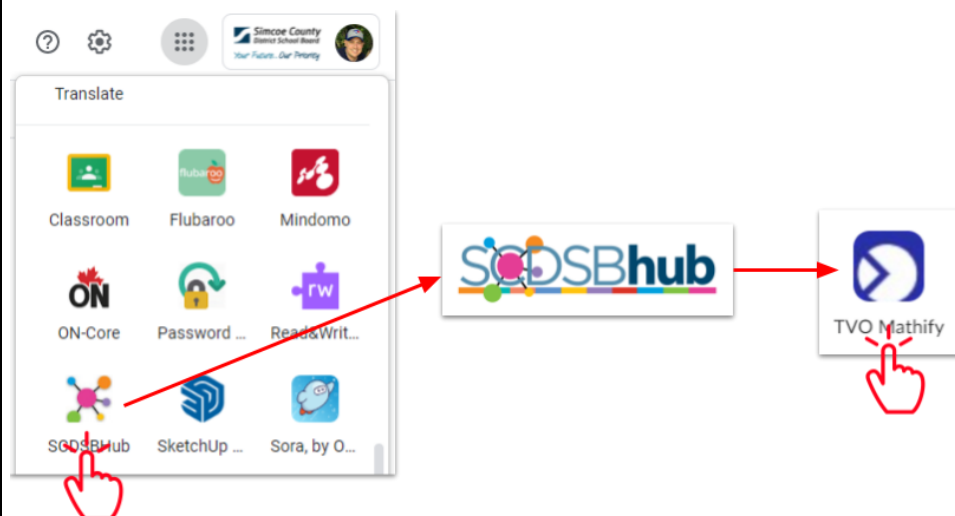
### Extra mathematics support for Grades 4 to 12

Are you looking for extra mathematics support for your Grade 4 to 12 student? TVO Mathify offers free 1:1 online Grade 4 to 12 math tutoring to students enrolled in Ontario's publicly funded English-language schools. Features include an interactive whiteboard, as well as voice and text chat to make it easy to upload a math question and figure it out with the support of a math tutor, at a time that works for you.

Connect with an Ontario Certified Teacher of your choice. It is anonymous and secure, and can be used from a phone, tablet or computer. Math tutors are available from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Friday, and 3:30 to 9 p.m. Sunday.

All SCDSB students from Grades 4 to 12 have been pre-registered for this amazing service. For quick access to TVO Mathify:

1. Find the link in your child's Google waffle to the SCDSBhub.
2. Look for the TVO Mathify icon on their dashboard.



Your child will not need to enter their OEN number or any identifying information when TVO Mathify is accessed through the SCDSBhub.