

#### **NEW STAFF TO WELCOME!**

- Please offer a warm welcome to Ms. Hopkins (Ms. H) our new admin assistant and Ms. Bala who is our new Pre-Primary support. You can reach her at <u>list.hopkins@hrce.ca</u>
- We will miss both Ms. Gerri and Ms. MacInnins!

### **DATES FOR THIS MONTH**

- JAN 4 NATIONAL RIBBON SKIRT DAY
- JANUARY 27: INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY
- JANUARY 27: FAMILY LITERACY DAY
- JANUARY 29: LUNAR NEW YEAR

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

Did you know? HRCE takes great care when making the decision to alter the regular operations of schools and school busses in the event of severe or inclement weather.

It is HRCE's goal to communicate any changes to the regular operations of schools and/or buses as close to 6:00 a.m. as possible. A 6:00 a.m. announcement could be:

- All schools are delayed in opening by two hours and bus pickups are delayed by two hours; or
- All schools are open, but some or all busses are not operating for the day; or
- Some schools (either individually or by family) are closed for the day; or



All schools are closed for the day.

If weather deteriorates, or is forecasted to worsen throughout the morning, an 11:00 a.m. announcement could be:

- Bused students will be picked up two hours earlier than their regular dismissal time; and
- Non-bused students will be dismissed at their regularly scheduled lunch hour.



#### How will I find out?

- By email to the addresses in PowerSchool
- By text message, if you have opted-in. If you aren't sure if you have opted-in, text Y to the following number: 978338
- On our website
- On X (formerly Twitter)
- On <u>Instagram</u>

It's important to always have a plan in place for childcare in the event of any cancellation. Thank you to our families for ensuring that any changes to after school care is communicated with both the classroom teacher AND the office (<a href="mailto:cres@hrce.ca">cres@hrce.ca</a> and <a href="mailto:lisa.hopkins@hrce.ca">lisa.hopkins@hrce.ca</a>). Please remember that voicemails may not be checked before the end of the day.



# SPEAKING OF WEATHER...

Kids need to be outdoors playing. But we know that they have an uncanny ability to find even the **tiniest** of puddles and turn it into a **full body experience**. To avoid soggy socks and chilly walks please send the following:

- SNOWPANTS (OR RAIN PANTS)
- SNOW/RAIN BOOTS
- MITTENS / HATS
- EXTRA SOCKS/PANTS/SHIRT IN A ZIPLOCK BAG IN THEIR BACKPACKS.

We go out in all types of weather so please ensure your child has the proper gear. We also have a lost and found that is full of clothing! Feel free to come and see if anything belongs to you!