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North Hope CENTRAL SCHOOL

Mission Statement: ~ "TEAM - Together, Everyone Achieves More"

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Important Dates

<u>September</u>

23-26 Book Fair 26 Open House 26 Terry Fox Run 27 PA Day 30 Orange Shirt Day <u>October</u> 14 Thanksgiving

18 Picture Day

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Welcome back to another exciting school year! I wish to extend a warm hello to our returning staff and students and to our new families and staff. I am excited to be returning to this amazing school community and getting to know all of the new students and families over the next few weeks.

With the start of a new school year often comes the return of some routines, such as earlier bed times, having a healthy breakfast and the establishment of a dedicated time and spot to do school related tasks such as reading with and to your child and doing some fun number fact review.

The 2024/2025 school year is starting off with lots of exciting events and activities. We will be having our open house on Thursday September 26th, our Terry Fox Run on September 26th and our book fair September 23-26th. What a great way to build community in the classes by engaging with each other by being active, having fun and learning along the way!

Please feel free to stop us and let us know what your favourite summer moment was. Let's have a great school year together! We also got great news **that School Cash will now be able to accept credit card payments.** Watch for more information to come home shortly.

Please remember that there is no supervision on our yard until 9:05am each morning. Students should not be dropped off before that time.

Sincerely, S. Fisher, Principal

Bell Schedule

School Starts	9:20 am
1rst Outside Break	11:00 - 11:20
	am
1rst Eating Break	11:20 - 11:40
	am
2 nd Outside Break	1:20 – 1:40
	pm
2 nd Eating Break	1:40 – 2:00
	pm
End of School Day	3:40 pm

School Photo Day:

Just a quick note to let everyone know when school photos will be happening this year. Our first photo day will be on Friday October 18th. If your child misses that day, we will be having a make up day on November 20th.

Make sure you mark these days on your calendar.





Please remember that cars must wait at the end of the day to enter the parking lot, until all buses have been dismissed. We also have two lines, one on the right for children who require help getting into the car, and one to the left for kids who can get in and buckle up on their own.



We will be having our first parent council meeting on Tuesday October 1st at 6:00pm in the library. At our first meeting we will be voting in the new executive for the school year. Please come and join us.

2024/25 North Hope Central School Staff: JK/SK – A Tozer and M Coreno SK/1 – K Gallagher 1/2 - J. Coles / L. Mason 3/4 – R. Nicholls 4/5 – K McAllister 5/6 – A. Simpkin French - L Mason Special Education/ Library – S. Day Planning – S. Turpin Educational Assistants: H Finnie, J Dillon Custodians:K Ibbotson and Z. Shields



North Hope School Open House will be Thursday September 26th 5:00 – 7:00 pm.

The Book Fair will be open during the Open House.

https://bookfairs.scholastic.ca /bf/northhopecentralschool



Kawartha Pine Ridge **District School Board has** adopted a new media platform to help ease communication between school and home. This system allows us to send out phone calls, emails and now text messages! We plan on using this system regularly, especially the text message, as it is immediate and allows us to include links to important information and forms.

Many of you have already opted into the system, and may have already received a text message or two. If you would like to receive this service, simply text the word Yes to the number 978338.





For children, regular physical activity *is essential* for healthy growth and development. For adults, it allows daily tasks to be accomplished with greater ease and comfort and with less fatigue.

In particular, physical activity is likely to have an impact on students achievement, readiness to learn, behaviour, and selfesteem. Positive experiences with physical activity at a young age also help lay the foundation for healthy, productive lives.

(Resource – Health Canada, Ministry of Education)

Cell Phones and School:

Starting in September 2024, a new policy pertaining to the use of cell phones at school comes into effect. For all students up to grade 8, cell phones must be powered off and stored away for the entire school day. They are not allowed to be used during breaks or recesses, or during instructional time. Parents can contact the office if they need to speak to their child, and students have use of an office phone to call home when necessary.

Math in Everyday Life

Everyday life is full of opportunities to help your child learn and practise math.

When you highlight math in the things you do each day, you show that math is important. Using words like *longer, shorter, first, last, likely, unlikely* in conversation, builds your young child's understanding of math concepts. Playing games, reading books, and doing puzzles together builds your child's math skills and shows that math can be a lot of fun.

Suggested Activities

Count everything! Also count forward and backward from different starting places. Sing counting songs and read counting books. Practise skip counting by 2s, 5s, 10s, 25s, and 100s.

Supply building toys like blocks and Lego[®]. Play lots of games — board games, card games, and computer games — and do puzzles.

When shopping, have your child compare prices, estimate the total for a number of purchases, or estimate the change you'll receive back.

Have your child measure things and estimate measurements, from times, temperatures, and ingredients when cooking, to areas and lengths when building and distances when travelling.

Sample Activities that Involve Math Kindergarten to Grade 3

I'm decorating this cake with blueberries and strawberries in a pattern. What berry should I put next?

We have leftover food. Which size of container should we use to store it for later? Why?

How many different types of vegetables are in the cart?

We have 14 candies and 6 of them are red. How many of the candies are not red?

Let's sort the laundry into white clothes and coloured clothes. Let's count the blue socks by 2s. How many are there?

Twelve guests are coming to the party. There are 4 of us. Do we have enough plates and utensils for everyone at the party?

Grades 4 to 6

We need to pay the cashier \$4.85. What combinations of coins could we use to give the cashier the exact amount?

It costs \$6 to buy 2 cartons of eggs. How much would it cost to buy 3 cartons of eggs?

This bag of soil is 20 L. How many 1.5 L pots can we fill to grow our tomato plants? It takes us 25 minutes to get home from school. What time do we need to leave home to get to school by 8:50 a.m.? How much do you think the groceries in our cart will cost? What are some strategies we can use to help us figure this out?

A new friend is being invited over. Write directions so that your friend will know how to get to our home.

