

OCTOBER 2018 NEWS

Scholastic Book Orders

Attached to the newsletter is the October book order. It is due back on October 19th.

I will only be accepting orders which have been paid either **on-line** on the Scholastic Site (instructions how to do this are on the book orders), or by **cheque**.

I will not be accepting orders paid with cash. Thank you for your understanding. James Hillier is working toward being a "cashless" school.

Websites for At Home Practice

Number Patterns

http://www.abcya.com/number_patterns.htm

<http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/mathgames/earlymath/BalloonPopPatterns.htm>

Important Dates

October 8 Holiday Monday
October 5 First Colour House Assembly
October 19 Book Order Due
October 31 Costume Parade and Halloween Party

Volunteers – important information

If you want to volunteer at James Hillier School, including volunteering to go on field trips, you will now need **two** important pieces of documentation. 1) a valid police check and 2) a certificate printed out stating that you have completed the A.O.D.A module (accessibility Ontario).

The office will need **both** pieces of information. To complete the Ontario Accessibility Module and print off your certificate that you have done it, you will need to go on line. The website is in the school news letter, and can be found on the school website.

All volunteers must complete the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Declaration (A.O.D.A), mandatory training available at:

<http://www.granderie.ca/board/elementary/parentportal/volunteers>

When you complete the training, please print out the certificate, and send a copy to the school office.

Ways to Stay in Touch

There are a few ways to keep in touch and stay up-to-date with what is happening in our classroom.

- 1) **Email** – susan.eddy@granderie.ca
- 2) **Remind** – this is a message service that allows you to receive text messages, or e-mail reminders and up dates. This service is private. I will not know your cell number and you will not know mine.

Text – send the message @mrseddy23 to the number (514)400-9191

Email – send an e-mail without a subject to mrseddy23@mail.remind.com

- 3) **Agendas** – please check and sign your child's agenda each night

We will be working on.....

☺ Reading: the difference between fiction and non-fiction books, text features (eg. glossary, index, table of contents, bold font, etc.)

☺ Writing: writing short paragraphs, spelling strategies

☺ Math:

Gr 2 - rounding two digit numbers to the nearest 10, identifying and describing repeating patterns and growing and shrinking patterns

Gr 3 – rounding three digit numbers to the nearest 10, extending and creating growing and shrinking patterns, representing geometric patterns with a number sequence

☺ Social Studies:

Gr 2 - Global Communities,

Gr 3 – Living and Working in Ontario

☺ Art: Line – different types (horizontal, vertical, diagonal, pointy, curvy), different varieties (thick, thin, dotted), lines inside of shapes

At Home Practice Bags

At Home Practice Bags have gone home this week. Please be sure to read the book through out the week with your child. Reading the book more than once will help to increase fluency. Be sure to ask your child questions about what they have read to also work on comprehension skills.

Please practice reading and recognizing the words on the first list of sight words that were sent home in the bag. (There are several lists stapled together). As your child progresses through their lists, we will add a new set to their bag.

At Home Practice Bags are due back on Mondays.

Gym Shoes

Please remember on Day 2 and Day 4 of the cycle we have gym. Students need appropriate foot wear in order to safely participate in gym.

Costume Parade and Halloween Party

Please send your child to school wearing their costume. Please remember not to send weapon accessories. We will be having our annual JH costume parade on October 31st at approximately 9:15am. If you are going to stay to see the parade, the best place to watch is at the back of the school. We will be parading through the classrooms, and then we will be coming outside across the pavement at the back of the school.

We will be having a class Halloween party in the afternoon. If you would like to send in a treat to share with the class, please remember that it will need to be store bought and nut-free.

