Harwich Raleigh Public School

November 2026

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School Council

Our next school council meeting with take place on **Tuesday, November 17th, 2026, at 5:30pm**, in the library. Please call the office if you are interested in attending and you will be added to the email invite.

Safe Arrival and Dismissal

Our school day begins at 9:15 am. Students are not permitted on the school yard before 9:00 am as their safety on the yard cannot be monitored without a staff member present. Any student who arrives after 9:15 am will be required to obtain a late slip at the office. Attendance and punctuality are important for supporting student success.

Dismissal is at 3:35 pm. Bus students will proceed to bus lines and students who are picked up or who walk, will exit their respective doors. Should there be a need to arrange an earlier pick-up time, please call the school office and request that a message be given to the teacher and your child through the office. If you need to make alternate arrangements, please contact the school office, prior to 3:00 pm, as dismissal can be congested and busy.

Criminal Record and Judicial Matters Check (CRJMC)

Please note that there has been a change in the requirements for volunteers in schools and on field trips. If you are volunteering your time in the school to support students in classrooms, or on field trips, you are required to obtain a CRJMC. All volunteers for the 2026-2027 school year must have an updated CRJMC. Before requesting a CRJMC in the jurisdiction where you reside, be sure to ask the office for the correct form to bring with you, that is signed by the principal. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Progress Reports & Student Led Conferences

Progress Reports will be sent home with students on Friday, November 13th. Student Led Conferences will be held in person on Thursday, November 19th from 4:00pm – 7:00pm and Friday, November 20th from 9:00am-12:00pm. We encourage all families to book a conference. Please use the following link to book a conference with your child's teacher(s): Student Led Conferences



Bus Zone 7

NEW- Harvest Fresh hot lunch- Thursdays!

We are excited to announce that beginning the week of October 19th, we will be offering hot lunches every Thursday at the first nutrition break, from Harvest Fresh. The ordering process is simple and the school profits 5% off all sales! Please see menu and ordering instructions below. It's simple- go to www.harvestfresh.ca and create an account. Once your account is created, click "add student" and scroll down to find Harwich Raleigh and choose your child's classroom teacher. You can add each student separately. All payments are made through the website and you can cancel your student's meal until 6:45am, if they are sick or away on a Thursday and receive a credit for your next order!



Treaties Recognition Week

The Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) commemorates Treaties Recognition Week between November 1st - 7th, joining school boards across the province in promoting education and awareness about treaty rights and treaty relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Ontario.

The LKDSB recognizes the traditional land of Aamjiwnaang First Nation; Eelŭnaapéewi Lahkéewiit (Delaware Nation), Kettle & Stony Point First Nation; and Walpole Island (Bkejwanong) First Nation. The LKDSB appreciates the ongoing support and partnership of the four First Nations to collectively promote education and mutual understanding of Indigenous histories and perspectives.

Schools are working towards greater understanding of treaties, treaty relationships, and the responsibilities we have to raise awareness about Indigenous histories, cultures, contributions, and perspectives. Treaties Recognition Week is one of the many steps in Ontario's journey to healing and reconciliation with Indigenous peoples. As staff and students, we will be building our understanding of treaties during the first week of November by connecting to virtual events and participating in various learning activities.

Electronic Newsletter

To reduce the amount of paper copying, we are asking that parents/guardians please access the monthly newsletter through the Harwich Raleigh Public School website. The newsletter will be posted at the beginning of the month and can be accessed at:

https://www.lkdsb.net/o/harwichraleigh and then clicking on the "Newsletters" button.

Remembrance Day

We will have a school wide Remembrance Day assembly on November 11th beginning at 10:30am. Parents and guardians are welcome to attend, should you wish. Our grade 7 and 8 students from Mlle Purdy and Mr. Jackson's classes will be walking to the cenotaph later in the morning for a ceremony and wreath laying presentation. All students will receive a poppy to wear for Remembrance Day. Please consider sending a small donation with students for the poppy.



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Spirit Wear Campaign

Our school will be running a campaign for Spirit Wear. Order between **November 2nd and November 13th** and get free shipping to the school! Check it out! Great gift options for birthdays or upcoming holidays!



Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week

November 15th -21st has been designated as Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week to help promote safe schools and a positive learning environment. We will wear **PINK** on Wednesday, November 18th. Bullying is defined as a form of repeated, persistent, and aggressive behaviour directed at an individual or individuals that is intended to cause (or should be known to cause) fear and distress and/or harm to another person's body, feelings, self-esteem, or reputation. Bullying occurs in a context where there is a real or perceived power imbalance. The different forms of bullying include:



- Physical – hitting, shoving, stealing, or damaging property.
- Verbal – name calling, mocking, or making sexist, racist, or homophobic comments.
- Social – excluding others from a group or spreading gossip or rumours about them.
- Electronic (commonly known as cyberbullying) – spreading rumours and hurtful comments through cellphones, e-mail, text messaging, and social networking sites

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HRPS Family Cookbook

From Our Families' Kitchens to Yours

With your help, we are creating a special HRPS cookbook filled with favourite recipes submitted by our students and families!



Submit Your Recipe

Each student may submit ONE favourite recipe. It can be a treasured family recipe, Grandma's famous cookies, or your favourite dinner!

Don't worry about handwriting, spelling, or formatting. We will make sure everything is typed up and easy to read in the book.

Add Some Art

Students are welcome to draw a picture to include with their recipe! Artwork can be completed on the back of this page or attached separately.

RECIPES DUE: NOVEMBER 19, 2026

Provide your recipe and artwork to your teacher or email it to parentcouncilhrps@gmail.com.

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ORDER YOUR COOKBOOKS TODAY!

The HRPS Family Cookbook is a fundraiser for the school and is available for ***only $20 each.*** It makes a perfect addition to your kitchen and as a gift for family and friends. **You can order through School Cash Online.**

Orders Due by December 1, 2026

Dates to Remember

November 1- 8- Treaties Recognition Week

November 2nd- 13th- Spirit Wear Campaign

November 11th- Remembrance Day

November 13th - Photo Retake Day, Progress Reports go home

November 17th- School Council Meeting at 5:30pm

November 18th – Wear PINK to say no to bullying

November 19th and 20th- Student Led Conferences

November 20th- PD Day (no classes)

Reminder that pizza day is every Tuesday at second break
Reminder that Harvest Fresh hot lunch is every Thursday at first break

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