



# Sir Wilfrid Laurier Elementary School

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## Principal Report – November

### 1. School Improvement (PA Days, Staff Meetings)

#### October 24 PA Day

#### AM Safe and Caring Inclusive Schools

- Duty to Report
- Anti – Sex Trafficking
- Code of Conduct Bully Prevention Intervention Policy
- Responding to Bias, Prejudice, and Hate
- Personal Mobile Devices
- Smoke/Vape Free School

#### PM School Improvement

K-2 Educators focus on Language Achievement (Samples of a B), moderation marking of reading/writing samples, Kindergarten explored Sound Bites activities (hands on activities to support reading)

Grade 3-6 Focus on diagnostic assessment in mathematics (number sense). Deeper look at number talks as a strategy to support fact fluency

Grade 7-8 – Reviewed Spring Climate Data and planning of activities to further unpack with students in the areas of belonging, mental health, and school safety (e.g., ways students feel they belong, mental health resources and supports, what can support feelings of safety)

## **September – December Staff Meetings**

### **September Staff Meeting**

- Operations – student safety, family communication, and excursions
- Math Delivery Plan
- Professional Learning Teams (***Using Diagnostic Assessment Data to inform Next Steps for targeted instruction in one of the following areas; Math, Reading, Student Engagement & Well-Being***)

### **October Staff Meeting**

- Universal Design of Learning (conversations/reflection – classroom arrangements reflection)
- Top 5 (CIR) reflection (Creating Conditions, Identify Affirming, Responding to Needs)
- Reimagining Wellness & Top 5 supports for Bully Prevention and Intervention Sharing

### **November Staff Meeting**

- Reinforcing Indigenous Education & Wellness (Treaty Recognition Month - Resources)
- Professional Learning Teams (k-2 reading, 3-6 fact fluency, 7-8 student engagement and well-being). Educator moderated marking of assessments and tasks planned at Oct. PA day.

### **December Staff Meeting**

- ESL/MLL resources
- Anti-Black Racism (sharing of Critically Conscious Practitioner Inquiry) Terms & Identity
- Professional Learning Teams – inquiry focus (reading, math, equity & well-being)

## **2. Safe and Secure Schools**

3 Fire Drills Completed

1 Hold & Secure Completed

1 Shelter in Place Completed

1 Evacuation (Bomb Threat) Completed

1 Lock Down Drill Completed

3 more Fire Drills will occur this Spring and a second Lock Down drill.

Families can learn more about Secure Schools on the HWDSB Website (secure schools) [Secure Schools | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board](#)

- Drills help us with further organization or supports required.

## **3. November Progress Reports and Communication**

Progress Reports and Kindergarten Communication will be shared on Nov. 18.

Family/student/teacher interviews will occur on Nov. 20 (after school) & 21 (during the day). Families will receive a link to sign up for their preferred time. Information is shared through our Weekly Time Lion on SchoolMessenger.

#### **4. Recent & Upcoming Events/Important Information**

- Remembrance Day (Nov. 11)  
Students will engage in an assembly to recognize and appreciate (i.e., sharing a wreath or another form of communication to pay respect and acknowledge, student voice to support with assembly)
- ROAR Assembly (Oct. 31)
  - continued with our math estimation game
  - discussion/recognition of treaty recognition week
  - recognized days/months of significance in assembly
  - student celebrations (Terry Fox, V-ball, cross country, Open House)
  - Grade 6-8 Caring and Safe Schools (review of personal device policy, responding to bias, prejudice, hate policies, and vaping/smoking safety procedures)
- **Bully Awareness and Prevention Month (third week in November)**
  - teachers receive resources through HWDSB to help lead discussions/activities in classroom
  - continued work through Reimagining Wellness Top 5
  - ROAR assembly to support

#### **5. Teacher Report**

- V-ball continuing
- Cross Country
- Bully Awareness and Prevention month
- Grade 8 Leadership Day
- Progression Meetings and visits to Glendale Secondary (Gr. 8)
- Glendale Information Night – November 17 6PM (Grade 7 & 8 families)