



# Kensal Park News

October 2020

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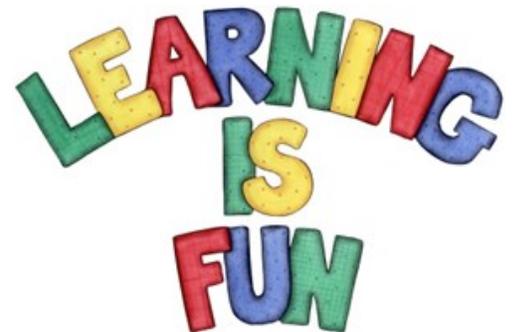
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Aujourd'hui je ferai une différence!

## Message from the Administration Team:

You may have noticed a new face in the office this week. Please give a warm welcome to Mme Nora Polychronopoulos!

We are pleased to have Mme Polychronopoulos with us for the duration of Mme Jovichevich's absence. Here's a fun fact...Mme Polychronopoulos' first assignment as Principal was here at Kensal Park! Welcome back!



## From the desk of Mme Polychronopoulos:

From my first day arriving at Kensal Park, it was evident that September's start up procedures and protocols had a very high level of preparedness addressing everyone's safety. Thank you to everyone for their diligence and caring in supporting student and staff safety.

It's hard to believe October is upon us and Thanksgiving is just around the corner. We would like to wish the Kensal Park School Community an enjoyable long weekend. We all have many good things to be thankful for in our lives.

Sincerely,

N. Polychronopoulos

Interim Principal



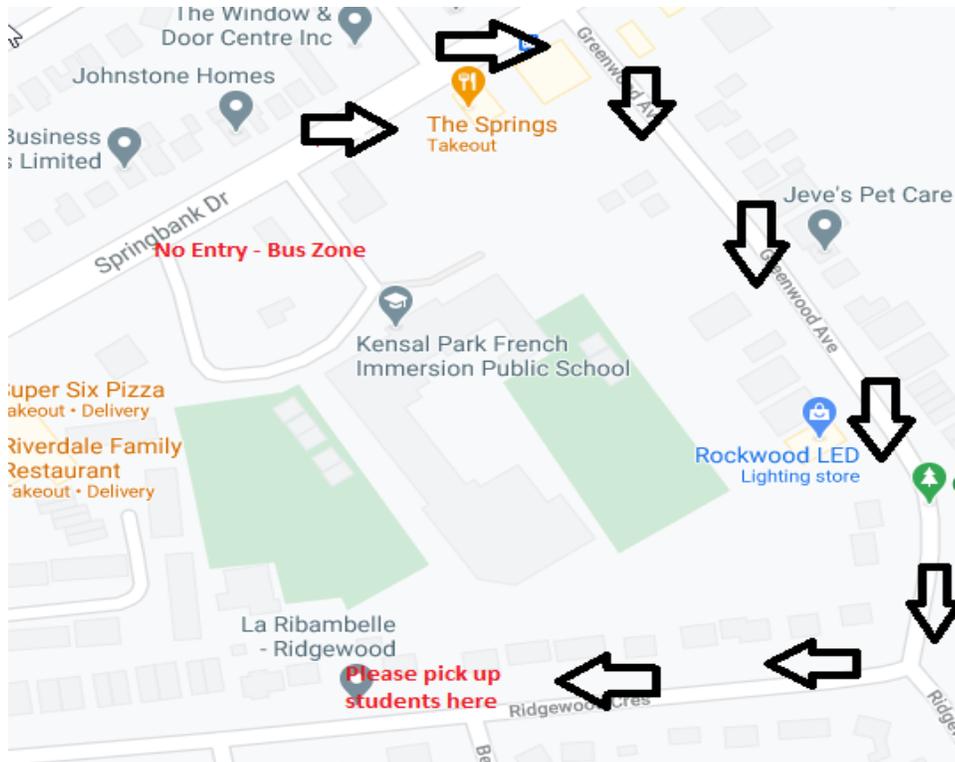
# Important Updates

Thanksgiving Day is being celebrated on Monday, October 12. **NO SCHOOL!**



## Reminder for end of day pick up:

Please do not enter the school parking lot and bus area at the end of the day to pick up your child. You will be blocked in until the busses are dismissed. Instead, please go behind the school to Ridgewood Crescent.



## Thank you for your support of the Terry Fox Run!

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Terry Fox School Run on Friday, October 2. Our school raised \$1525.00 for cancer research. We are so proud to be part of Terry's Legacy. The Terry Fox Run celebrated the 40th Anniversary of the Marathon of Hope! Bravo Kensal Park!



# Weather Update

Please remember to check the weather in the morning and send your child(ren) with appropriate clothing for the expected conditions. Students will be going outside on rainy and cold days, so please ensure they have everything they need to be comfortable outside. You might consider putting an extra pair of pants and socks in their backpack on wetter days, and extra mittens or gloves on colder days, in addition to splash pants and snow pants.



# School Council News

Introducing your 2020-2021 Kensal Park School Council!

Chair—Kristi Hall

Secretary—Fred Chagnon

Treasurer—Becky Myers



The next School Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 23rd.. Parents are always welcome to join us for any meeting and to participate in committees, fundraising efforts, raise questions or simply listen and observe. Meetings are interactive and focus on decision making and taking action for the benefit of our KP school community. If you would like to be added to the distribution list to receive meeting notices, agendas, and minutes, please email [kpschoolcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:kpschoolcouncil@gmail.com).

# Home Connections in Mathematics

## *Home Connections in Math*

*September 2020*

It's an exciting time in mathematics right now. In late June, the Ministry of Education announced the release of the new elementary mathematics curriculum for grades 1 to 8. This new elementary math curriculum describes the knowledge and skills that students are expected to learn in each grade. It is organized into six areas: number, algebra, data, spatial sense and financial literacy, with social-emotional learning skills in mathematics and mathematical processes being taught as part of the learning through all strands. Social-emotional learning skills help students build confidence in their math skills and think critically to support their overall well-being.

The Ministry has revised the assessment and reporting procedures for the math curriculum. There will be only one mark for math, instead of providing a separate mark for each strand.

Mathematics is an integral part of our daily lives. Therefore, [The Curriculum Context](#) outlines the vision, principles and goals of the new mathematics curriculum. We want students to see the value and beauty of mathematics. There is a lot of work to be done to support our students in learning mathematics and parents/guardians play an important part in the learning process. The following link outlines the [Roles and Responsibilities in Mathematics Education](#) in Mathematics Education for all stakeholders including students, parents, teachers, principals, and community members.

Resources and additional information can be found on the Ministry's Curriculum and Resources website:

- [New Elementary Math Curriculum](#)
- [Key Changes – Ontario Mathematics Curriculum](#)

We will continue to provide any updates and support from the Ministry to all our families.

