

# RedHawk Express

January 10, 2021



## Re-Assessment Week – Details

### Weekly Schedule

#### Jan 11-15

Monday – A-K

Tuesday – L-Z

Wednesday – A-K

Thursday – L-Z

Friday – L-Z

#### Jan 18-22

Monday – A-K

Tuesday – L-Z

Wednesday – A-K

Thursday – L-Z

Friday – A-K

### Upcoming Events

January 25 -28 – Re-Assessment Week

Tuesday January 26 – PSSC Meeting (Virtual)

January 29 – No School for students (unless we have a weather disruption)

### *Do students have to attend school during Re-Assessment Week?*

Yes - our hope is that most, if not all, students will have found one or two assignments, tests or tasks that they can refine, re-do or replace with new evidence of their learning. In classes that they do not have work to complete they are free to work on items for other classes. We will follow our usual bell schedule.

### *What is expected from students on their @home days during Re-Assessment Week?*

While they will likely have written assignments to work on and revision/studying to complete they will not have their attendance marked on those days. Teachers will focus solely on the students in front of them to complete the re-assessment tasks.

### *What if a student is happy with their current grade and has no work they want to re-submit?*

Students should review their grades with their parents/guardians and if satisfied that work has been done to the best of the students' abilities then; *Parents and Guardians can excuse students from attendance using the normal procedure of calling the main office and indicating that the student will not be in attendance. They will be marked OI (Other Informed) absence.*

### COUNTDOWN TO RE-ASSESSMENT WEEK

**Mon Jan 4 – Fri Jan 15** – Students consult with their classroom teachers about re-assessment opportunities. At this time students should ensure all summative (for grades) assignments are completed and up to date.

**Mon Jan 18 – Fri Jan 22** – Students finish up their last units of study – this is the last week to submit outstanding assignments.

**Mon Jan 25- Thurs Jan 28** – Students complete re-assessment tasks both in class and while working on their @Home days. Friday January 29 will be reserved in case of a weather disruption.



# Supporting Your Students @Home

The end of Semester 1 and the impending start of Semester 2 is a great time to engage your student in conversations about their learning. Here are a few things to review with your student over the next two weeks;

1. **ParentPortal Grades and TEAMS Assignments** – have your teen show you their current S1 grade for each of their courses – click on the number and review their assignments. Ask them questions about which tasks they are re-assessing and how they can prepare. When in doubt – e-mail the teacher for guidance.
2. **Semester 2 Timetables** – due to staffing changes for semester 2 we were forced to collapse a few courses and reduce capacity in others. As a result students should login and review their schedule. If changes are required they should complete a blue form at the office to schedule a meeting with Mrs. Harris.
3. **Post-Secondary Planning** – for students in grades 9-11 it is never too soon to have a conversation with your teen about what they think they might like to do after high school. Course selection processes will begin by mid-February and having a few conversations prior to that process beginning should help ease the anxiety about making decisions about next year's course requests.

## Updates and Requests

**IMPORTANT SEMESTER 2 UPDATE** - The Hampton Education Centre High Schools will be switching our alternating day schedule process to match that of the Saint John Education Centre Schools. What does this mean?

- A-K and L-Z students will always alternate days – there will no longer be set days (Mon/Wed for A-K for example). Instead, the schedule will rotate daily.
- This scheduling method is easier to deal with snow days and should limit the disruption to learning of specific groups based on public holidays and PL days. **If there is a snow day the students who should have been in school will attend the following day and the schedule will move forward.**
- The schedule will be shared in the weekly newsletter, on TEAMS for students & staff, and through social media channels.

**WHAT IF RED PHASE?** – Many asked questions this week about Red Phase, and while I have no indication we are headed there, I can clarify what school will look like in the event we move to RED.

- Students will remain at home but will **log in daily** to online classes following the bell schedule.
- Teachers report to school to conduct their daily lessons and their availability will match the usual school hours – 8:30am – 4:00pm.

**STUDENT DRIVERS & SAFETY ISSUES** – This week students were reminded that driving through the bus lane is prohibited between 8:00 – 9:00am and 3:15 – 4:00pm. We have had several cars breach these rules and we have had to refer license plates to the KV Police. In addition, incidents of vandalism have been reported to the school office and the police from the student parking area – if anyone has any information regarding these incidents Mr. Peters and I would welcome any information that helps reduce these behaviors.

