



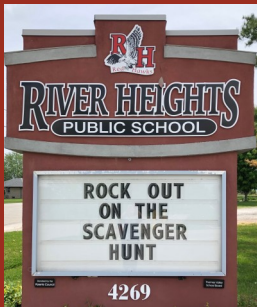
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REDHAWK READER



"We ALL Belong At River Heights!"



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Covid -19 Edition

ROCK OUT- Inclusion and Grade 3 Year End Song.

To the Wonderful Families of River Heights:

This week the focus is on taking that sense of belonging & doing something with those ideas. Sunday May 17th marked the International Day Against Homophobia (IDHO). For us at River Heights we spend time focussing on acceptance and inclusion—best characterized by the phrase "Its Ok To Be Different." [Our From the Heart# 9 Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#) has the third installment in our inclusion and We All Belong at River Heights series and different book resources for this theme. We recognize the importance of all children feeling comfortable at and part of their school environment.

Calling all Grade 3's as part of our Larger Virtual goodbye assembly we need you to help create your Grade 3 [GoodBye Song](#). Mrs. Callowhill sent out notices but hasn't heard to know if you are participating (we have a choir of 7 so far). The details are attached to our [TIP Sheet for this week](#). See [Pg 2](#) with the links to the song and instructions on what to do. Gr 3 we need to hear from you to know you are recording YOU singing the [goodbye song](#). Be part of the FIRST REDHAWK VIRTUAL CHOIR ever. See [Pg 2](#) for details.

Lots of pride in our virtual assemblies. Check out the Eco Club's video giving you great ideas for a nature scavenger hunt. <https://youtu.be/JQGBiBdj03k> and the Virtual Talent Show <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1u3HoQtXwblmGh-pnqTTGx76NOleqRrQS/view>

Emergency School is NOT TO ADD to these difficult times. If you need to take a break let us know and we will pause the weekly calls etc. **Rejoin us any time you wish**—we will be HERE. **Students Personal Items.** June 8th , 9th, 10th will be our distribution dates for safe curbside retrieval of personal items from the school. The plan is attached more about specific dates soon.

The RH Home and School association will be holding executive elections via online meeting June 8th. Paid Home and School members [can nominate yourself](#) or someone else for the 2020-2021 school year please contact the Home and School at riverheights.hsa@gmail.com or through the [Home and School Facebook page](#). They are also looking for volunteer for the roles of Volunteer Coordinator and Fundraising Coordinator. If you would like to purchase a membership in order to participate contact the Home and School Association. Have a say! Get your membership today.

Early Years Registration has begun at River Heights. We have created a virtual tour and a website loaded with resources for new Redhawk Families. <https://riverheights.tvdsb.ca/en/our-school/registration.aspx>. If you know of anyone neighbours, friends, etc who have school aged children please encourage them to register for school as soon as possible.

Speaking of next year, we will be doing class placements mid June. We go through an extensive data collection comparison to build balanced classes to the best of our ability. So while I cannot guarantee we can honour all requests, if you have a specific educational reason to request a specific teacher please email ME directly

To help us feel a somewhat normal the announcements continue Mon and Fri this week posted in your child's google classroom in the FROM THE OFFICE WITH MR. SHEIK folder or check it out on You Tube, End of last week's <https://youtu.be/Vth2UXkddVU> and Today's Finding Nemo https://youtu.be/4WXBOF_SwRo . Play [Guess the Teacher on Pg 6](#). This link is for our special Harry Potter edition of the morning announcements <https://youtu.be/tAlY9Ffr-pw>. We now have Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/river.heights.908> and Instagram - https://www.instagram.com/riverheightsps_dorchester/ Let your teacher know the pictures are media friendly and look for them soon. All Smiles Mr. Sheik, Proud Principal of River Heights.



Grade 3 Virtual Goodbye Song



This year, the River Heights Grade 3 Year End Song goes *virtual*! Just listen to the song in one earbud or headphone and sing along while you record yourself or someone records for you!

The recording is going to be visible within TVDSB instructional platforms to students enrolled at River Heights P.S. who have logged in to their virtual classroom using the TVDSB student account. Please fill out the attached Google Form in the google class giving your permission.



Please take a look at the video checklist:

- Listen to the song in one earbud and sing through the song (the reason for one earbud in and the other out is because you still need to hear yourself sing) (**follow link to song**) <https://drive.google.com/open?id=IaVbTxNdkBVRmhyHGRyT5eCnCDCvCWwG6&authuser=0>
- Make sure the original song is only in your earbud and **cannot be heard in your video recording**. The only sound the recording should hear is your wonderful singing!
- Lyrics (**follow link to lyrics**) https://docs.google.com/document/d/1zoGI-Re4JjcW8EkhsxPUIYp9yi5IjI7PuVPSP_hoA7k/edit?usp=sharing
- Please wear a plain black or white shirt
- Also make sure your video is not recorded with a window behind you (your face will not show up)
- Use a plain colour or solid colour wall in the background whenever possible. We want to focus on your face and not be distracted by the stuff in your background.

Please send Mrs. Callowhill a quick email to let her know if your child will be participating by Wednesday June 3rd

This video will be the key feature in the live streamed Grade 3 Virtual Goodbye Celebration at the end of June.

Submit your video to h.callowhill@tvdsb.ca by **Monday, June 8**





Series of School Wide Activities

#9 Rock Out: River Heights Scavenger Hunt!

Please see the attached video for visual instructions.

<https://youtu.be/hR4wBU6e9A8> Download from this LINK.

Our From the Heart Series has focused on being part of a community and on coming together. In our school all students belong but we know that As REDHAWKS we have a responsibility to ACT with our good character. It is not enough to say we are good citizens, we must also SHOW it in our actions. Living our character traits make us good citizens - good RedHawks. Those traits include courage, honesty, responsibility and acceptance. We are all unique in this world and while we may be different on the outside on the inside we are all human, we are all people, we all are and feel the same.



Like a box of crayons each with their own colour but together they form the rainbow that we use to colour with. Like our colour houses, we may belong to different colour houses but we all are Redhawks.

Prompting: Lets think about those RedHawk Traits. What does the word Courage mean to you? Is it when we do something easy? Is that courage? Does it mean doing something even when you're a bit afraid to do it? Maybe its trying something new? Maybe its standing up for what you believe in. Anything else?

When we think of the word Honesty what are we doing to be honest? Honesty what does that look like? Is it about doing the right thing? When we tell the truth are we being honest?

Responsibility what does that mean? Is it about doing what you are suppose to do? Is it about following the rules? It is about taking of your personal things too? What else?

Follow the link to Story Time with Mr. Sheik and watch him read the book The Crayon Box That Talked. https://youtu.be/W5X5fi_PLJU

This will give you more ideas to think about and to help you to understand, celebrate, and accept differences.



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When we accept someone what are we doing? Allowing them to play with us? Like them? Do you do things with them? How can we celebrate our uniqueness? Follow this link to Story Time with Mr. Sheik and watch him read the book Hooray For You

<https://youtu.be/221jj6Uo4uk>

Making Connections: Words that describe our traits as REDHAWKS Courage, Honesty Responsibility and Acceptance are all connected and suggest ACTION.

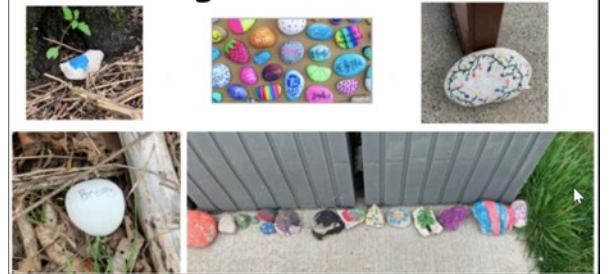
The Challenge: Find the Words of Kindness and Acceptance!

- 1) Go out on a scavenger hunt
- 2) Find the River Heights Rocks
- 3) start a virtual rock collection
- 4) Describe where you found each rock on the google doc below

Side note: have you seen the "Dorchester Rocks" facebook page? <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1962171970721154>



River Heights Kindness Rocks!



You could, with parent's permission, add your RIVER HEIGHTS ROCK COLLECTION to that place too. Let them know which rocks you believe are REDHAWK ROCKS

When your work is done you can either do it in the google classroom on this google doc <https://docs.google.com/document/d/11-D2K9ALOS0L8PbeACIqf5-tC7MDMNtYij8dynMaXmI/edit?usp=sharing>



or if you did it on paper at home then take a photo of the picture and send it to your teacher or to Mr. Sheik at j.sheik@tvdsb.ca We will make sure it is included in our Rock Collection!



WE ARE REDHAWKS!



**River Heights Home & School Association
Executive Nomination Form**

The following members of River Heights Home & School Association are in good standing, have been members for at least 30 days, and are therefore eligible for election to an executive position for the 2020-2021 school year.

Melissa Bayes	Jonathan Crellin	Rachael Crellin
Janice Del Bel Belluz	Jason Gomori	Meredith Gomori
Jennifer Lake	Kate Ledgley	Lori Taylor
Charity Woodruff	Jessah Drinkwater	Nicole Swance
Andy Brown	Tania Somerville	

To nominate yourself, or another eligible person, please fill in the name of the nominee beside the position for which you would like them nominated. Please return the form via email to river-heights.hsa@gmail.com no later than **Monday June 1, 2020**. Each nominee will be contacted in advance to confirm acceptance of the nomination.

Voting will be held at our final meeting on **Tuesday, June 8th 6:30pm via Zoom.**

Executive Positions For Election

President: _____

Vice President & Rep to School Council: _____

Secretary: _____

Treasurer: _____

TVCHSA Rep: _____

Other opportunities for leadership open to all members:

Hot Lunch Coordinator: _____

Fundraising Coordinator: _____

Volunteer Coordinator: _____

Communications/Promotions Coordinator: _____

If you have any questions regarding roles & responsibilities for any position, please contact Melissa @ (519) 854-0099 or [melis-sa.bayes@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.bayes@gmail.com)

FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU



GUESS WHO?



Play the
"Guess Who Game!"

Can You Spot your
Teacher?