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# REDHAWK READER



"We ALL Belong At River Heights!"



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Covid -19 Edition

## Grade 3 Year End Song, Curb Side Pick UP Day, H&S Elections.

To the Wonderful Families of River Heights:

**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 20 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.

In addition to the goodbye song will have MORE details to share about the year end assembly for Grade 3s stay tuned MID WEEK for those details.

**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 with specific details](#) and an instructional video <https://youtu.be/HKPYAtH2emY>. We hope to see you this week to safely retrieve your child's items from the school.

**The RH Home and School Association** will be holding executive elections via online **TONIGHT 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](mailto:riverheights.hsa@gmail.com) or through the [Home and School Face-book 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.

Since Sunday May 17th the International Day Against Homophobia (IDAHO) we at River Heights have focussed our lessons on kindness, acceptance and inclusion—best characterized by the phrase "Its Ok To Be Different." [Our From the Heart# 9 Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#) is the next installment in our ongoing inclusion and We All Belong at River Heights series with books and resources for this theme. We recognize the importance of all children feeling comfortable at and part of their school environment. Join in the Scavenger Hunt 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. Last call for these requests due June 11th.

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/45FKWMIiS9k> and Today's <https://youtu.be/dsbjq0oglig> . Play [Guess the Teacher on Pg 7](#). This link is for our special Finding Nemo [https://youtu.be/4VXBOF\\_SwRo](https://youtu.be/4VXBOF_SwRo) edition of announcements. We now have Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/river.heights.908> and Instagram - [https://www.instagram.com/riverheightsps\\_dorchester/](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](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](mailto:h.callowhill@tvdsb.ca) by **Monday, June 8**





June 8th 2020

## Supplement From Today's Morning Announcements

We have a Contactless, Curbside Pick UP Plan for the parent retrieval of student materials. Your educators are spending time this week bagging up all of your child's belongings. In preparation please gather any items from the school that need to be returned like home reading programs, dictionaries and put them in a ziplock bag labelled with your child's name and their teachers name right on the bag.



In addition if you have library books ready to return (**no ziplock bag necessary**) Please have these items ready for the pick up time you are given. Whenever possible please Drive to School on your appointment day we are better equipped to handle DRIVE BY DELIVERY.

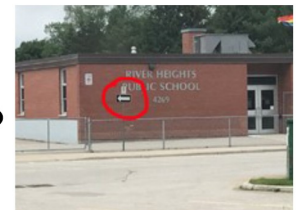
On your appointment day you will **pull up in the bus lanes** right by the curb to the very end and have your trunk OPEN. One of the RHPS team will come up and will ask you the last name you are picking up for and they will walkie the name into the indoor team. They will then ask you if you have LIBRARY books to return—if so they will hold out a bin you can Contact free drop them into. They will ask you if you have **classroom materials bagged and labelled to return**—if so they will hold out a different bin you can drop into. They will then retrieve your item from the table assigned to that member of the team and drop them into your trunk.



You can then continue to follow the route out to the access laneway between the township building and the school. **Do Not double back** through the parking lot. Once you are on the access laneway you have completed the process.



Some things you can do to assist the River Heights Team. **Please give yourself time for this task.** We do not know how long it will take to serve each vehicle although we are planning to serve **3 cars at a time** all lined up along the fire route. Please do not all come within the last 5 mins of your hour of allotted time. **DO NOT PARK** in any of the parking spots stay along the curb where the busses traditionally line up and go **ONE WAY ONLY**. Once you are done, **DO NOT DOUBLE BACK** through the parking lot. Exit via the access laneway between the school and the township office. You never leave your car in this process and you follow one continuous line of traffic flow all in an attempt to keep you safe and prevent the spread.



Here is the schedule for Week One of Retrieval of Student Belongings. **It is set by DATE/ ALPHABET/ TIME.**

**Monday June 8th** Last Names starting with **A 9–10am B 10-11AM, C, D, E, 11 -12 AM F, G 12-1 PM. H 1-2 PM J K L 2-3:30 PM**

**Tuesday June 9th M 9–10am N, O, P 10-11AM, R 11 -12 AM S 12-1 PM. T,U V 1-2 PM W, Z 2-3:30 PM**

**Wednesday June 10th OPEN 9-12AM—** Anyone who Missed their Date/ Alphabet/ Time

If we need additional time, or times for early evening to accommodate people who work in the day we will address that schedule after June 10th—once we see how this system has worked. Please Drive up even if you could walk, the driving will assist the whole team and the speed and efficiency of this process. We appreciate your patience with us as we roll out this plan. If you can have concerns please email me at Joe Sheik [j.sheik@tvdsb.ca](mailto:j.sheik@tvdsb.ca) . Happy to serve you in June.

Check out our instructional video for Safe Contactless Curb Side Retrieval of Materials at <https://youtu.be/HKPYAtH2emY>



## 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](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.

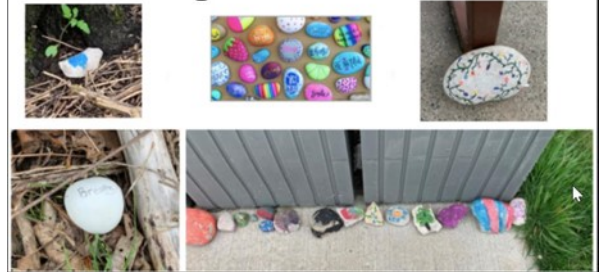
**The Challenge:** Find the Words of Kindness and Acceptance!

- 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.bayesa@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.bayesa@gmail.com)

# FROM ALL OF US TO ALL OF YOU



**GUESS WHO?**



Play the  
"Guess Who Game!"

Can You Spot your  
Teacher?



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## Supplement From Today's Morning Announcements

Please see the attached video for visual instructions.

<https://youtu.be/qB-ginJ9jbQ>

### Download from this LINK.

**Prompting:** What do you wear on vacation? What if you go somewhere HOT? What do you wear in the summer? Same thing as going somewhere hot? What about shoes socks? Do you still wear those when its hot?

**Making Connections:** When you think of dressing for hot weather ... what kinds of clothes come to mind? **THIS Friday June 12<sup>th</sup> 2020,** You can have some fun and start to think about warmer weather by Dressing up in Hawaiian or Beach Wear. Break out the shorts, sandals, brightly coloured T shirts, fun patterns or even a flower wreath...

## HAWAIIAN OR BEACH DRESS UP DAY - VISUAL SAMPLE



**Wear your coolest clothes for the hottest days ahead... lets make SUMMER COME EARLY to River Heights THIS FRIDAY June 12<sup>th</sup> 2020 HAWAIIAN / BEACH THEME DAY**