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- Our beautiful summer weather in September has quickly turned into a colder (and windier) than usual October. Parents are reminded to make sure students are prepared for the weather as much as possible.
- Make sure to check out our sports updates on the next page. We have had a great fall sports season at Seneca!
- Save the Date!! Our Christmas Concert this year will be on Thursday, December 13th. Parents are invited to attend the dress rehearsal @ 1:30 or the evening show @ 6:00pm

Inclement Weather Information:

- Information on Student Transportation Services can be found here: <http://www.stsbhn.ca/>
- For transportation delays, cancellations or school closures, visit: www.transinfobhn.ca/Cancellations
- If there are school or board facility closures, Grand Erie will post a notification by 6:30 a.m. on the Board's website here: www.granderie.ca
- Information will be posted on Grand Erie's Twitter (@GEDSB) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/GEDSB) accounts
- Closure information will also be shared with local media (i.e. radio, television)
- Find the Board's Inclement Weather Policy here: <https://bit.ly/2HoC1YX>
- Learn how Student Transportation Services makes its decision about inclement weather here: bit.ly/2JIVSk9

We want to provide you with direct links to a number of **Parent Resources** (available on the school website under School Newsletters - November 2018 and School Information and Reminders from the Homepage), including:

- i. The Grand Erie Website: <http://www.granderie.ca/>
- ii. The Parent Info section on the Grand Erie website: <http://www.granderie.ca/board/parentportal>
- iii. An overview of School Councils, including resources and tip sheets: <http://www.granderie.ca/board/parentportal/school-councils>
- iv. The 2018-19 School Council Guide, which provides details on membership, how to run meetings, roles and responsibilities, how to make decisions, funding, etc.: http://www.granderie.ca/application/files/4915/3667/4655/School_Council_Guide_2018.pdf
- v. Grand Erie's School Council Policy: http://www.granderie.ca/application/files/6515/0102/0744/SO2_school_councils.pdf
- vi. Resources for Parents for Learning at Home: <http://www.granderie.ca/board/parentportal/parent-resources>
- vii. What to do if you have a Parent Concern: <http://www.granderie.ca/board/parentportal/parent-concern>
- viii. Information on Grand Erie's Parent Involvement Committee (GEPIC): <http://www.granderie.ca/board/parentportal/gepic>
- ix. Volunteer Information, including police checks and AODA training: <http://www.granderie.ca/board/elementary/parent-portal/volunteers>
- x. Information on CIP (Community Partnership Incentives Plan), including the 2018-19 application package: <http://www.granderie.ca/board/parentportal/community-partnership-incentive-plan>
- xi. Grand Erie's Newsroom: <http://204.101.16.218/board/community/newsroom>
- xii. Where to submit events for use in Grand Erie's Weekly Media Advisory and Events Calendar: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfbrw2b3Q-DoIYWXQwpW-4XsjvXRIJUZfWKebUVP1edGvLopA/viewform#start=invite>

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Seneca Cyclone Sports

Soccer: Congratulations to our intermediate and junior soccer teams who competed in Dunnville at the beginning of the month. Both teams represented Seneca well with their enthusiasm and teamwork.

Congratulations to our junior team who claimed 1st place in Division 3 after a hard fought game and shootout against Walpole North.

Orienteering: In our best showing in the last 10 years, our orienteering team did us very proud. Special recognition goes out to junior boys silver medallists Brody and Gavin M., junior girls gold medallists Milka and Hannah B., intermediate boys silver medallists Altin and Aleks B., and intermediate boys gold medallists Dominic and Clay.

Cross Country: Congratulations to all of our runners, who represented Seneca so well with their behaviour and performance. Congratulations to Leah for her 2nd place finish, Addison for her 3rd place finish, Gavin M, and Ivana for their 4th place finishes and Owen M. and Shyann for their 7th place finishes at the Haldimand Cross Country meet. Congratulations as well to Leah and Addison for representing Haldimand at the board-wide CAGE Cross Country meet.

Volleyball: Tryouts are underway and we are looking forward to a great season! Go Cyclones!!

Important Notice

On the recent poinsettia order forms that went home, the 'premium planter' is supposed to be \$57 not \$37. It is incorrect on the picture sheet but correct on the order form.

Also, just a reminder that the due date for orders is Nov 20 and the Delivery date is Dec 7.

MATH PROBLEM OF THE MONTH

How much water would you need to flood an Olympic-sized hockey rink in order to create a proper ice surface? Make sure you show your research and your math thinking. ***Submit your work and the office to get a 'Caught You'.**

UPCOMING DATES

Nov. 2 – Colour House Day/Awards Assembly
Nov. 7 – **Fresh From the Farm delivery and pickup**
Nov. 12 – Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 13 – **Progress Reports** go home
Nov. 14-16 – Bookfair
Nov. 15 – **Harvest Meal** (2nd nutrition break)
Nov. 15 – **Parent/Teacher Conferences** (pm)
Nov. 16 – **PD Day (Parent/Teacher Conferences)**
Nov. 19 – HepB/HPV Immunizations (9am)
Nov. 27 – SAC Meeting @ 6pm
Nov. 29 – Intermediate Boys Volleyball

THE ABC's of Healthy Schools & STUDENTS



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about healthy schools,
visit hnhu.org/schoolhealth

D is for... Discussing Drugs & Alcohol

Talking to your kids about serious topics can be challenging, but they are important conversations. Children who feel comfortable talking to their parents are more likely to stay free from drugs and excessive alcohol use. Here are a few tips to try:



- Provide simple information repeatedly to help get the message across about some of the dangers and health risks of alcohol and drugs.
- Talk about other health topics, such as eating well and being physically active. Then, when there's some dialogue going, move into talking about things that are not so healthy for their bodies, such as smoking, drinking alcohol and using drugs.
- Try to stay up to date with the latest drug street names and how they affect our body so you can provide your kids with accurate information.

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