



THIS WEEK AT HARBOUR VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

Hello Viking families! Happy New Year and welcome back. The staff of Harbour View are excited to have our students return to the building tomorrow and wrap up the last few weeks of the first semester. The final schedule for our Demonstration of Learning Week (formally known as exam week) is being finalized and will be communicated in next weeks newsletter. It is important for students to be ready to jump right in this week to assure a strong push to the midway point of our academic year.

Over the coming weeks and months some of the subtle changes being introduced through the province's focus on high school renewal will begin to take shape and will be communicated accordingly. The biggest areas of change have to do with the layout of course requirements and the accounting system used for monitoring credits building towards graduation. The systemic changes will be more noticeable to the staff than anyone else, with students and families hopefully coming to learn that the intention of this shift is to provide more exploratory options outside of required courses, and to have course programming presented in a way that allows students to understand the progression of the courses they take and how these course pathways develop the career skills they will need over time. The staff of Harbour View has also committed to using this time of change to further advance the grade 9 experience for our students. In what is often a difficult transition year, we strive to offer our students the best opportunity to "invent themselves here".

At the change of semesters, on February 1st, we will be adopting an updated behaviour scaffold to help further establish consistency in dealing with recurring behaviours that might negate a positive working and learning environment for students and staff of Harbour View High School. Please refer to the "Behaviour Policy" document attached to this newsletter. This new discipline scaffold will streamline our approach to be in line with the existing **vaping** policy. **Loitering** in washrooms, stairwells, and other corners of the building has become a growing issue and requires attention via this new policy. We have also brought **defiance** and **disrespect** under the umbrella of this policy so that teachers can have rules and expectations specific to their classroom environment that are repetitively violated dealt with in an efficient and consistent manner. This would be triggered after attempting teacher level strategies of phone calls home and teacher assigned

January 9th – January 15th

Monday, 9 th	- Students and staff return to school
Tuesday, 10 th	-
Wednesday, 11 th	- ELPA Re-write Practice (Grade 11 & 12) – Bring fully charged laptops

Thursday, 12th	- ELPA Practice (Grade 9) – Bring fully charged laptops
Friday, 13th	-
Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th	-

SHOUT-OUTS & RECOGNITION

- Thank you to Tobi McNamee for the support she offered our students during her recently completed practicum at HVHS.
- Shoutout to Irene Crandlemere, Judy Harned, Esther Wilkes, and Lisa Beman who always do a fantastic job as the first line of contact for so many of our students, families, and visiting professionals.
- A big round of applause for Aaron Washburn, Karen Kennedy and Tammy Waldron who were awarded “B” contracts just prior to the break and are now permanent teachers at Harbour View High School. Well done!

ON THE HORIZON...

- Demonstration of Learning Week – January 23rd-27th
- ELPA Rewrite (Grade 11 & 12) – January 18th
- ELPA (Grade 9) – January 24th
- High School Turnaround Days – January 30th-31st – No School
- Semester 2 begins – February 1st
- Order of Canada Speaker Series – February 6th



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