

October 2022

South Branch



TIGERS!

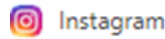


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South Branch Elementary-UCDSB



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If you have any questions regarding the school, please email your child's teacher or the school. We do not monitor Facebook for messages.

Principal's Message



Hello Fall to all of our Tiger Families.

With the change in weather, please ensure students are packing warmer clothing items for recess times. We have had a great start to the school year. We went on our first field trip to the International Plowing Match and enjoyed many learning opportunities and experiences by a variety of exhibits. Thank



you to all of our family

members who rallied so quickly to get their VSC completed so we could secure adequate parent volunteers for student safety. Another wonderful sight

was to be able to welcome families back on to our school yard to join us for our annual Terry Fox Walk. Thanks to all of our families for their Toonies for



Terry support for this cause. Together we raised

\$615.00!!!

School Council

Thank you to all parents who attended our first Council meeting and helped us form a School Council for this year. Thank you to the following individuals for taking on a leadership role 2022-2023
Chair: Alan MacKay
Vice-Chair: Julianna Melnick-MacDonald
Treasurer: Laurel Cardy
Secretary: Steve Ibbotson
Fundraiser: Katie O'Connor

Hot Lunch: Julie Culkeen
Our next meeting will be



Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Learning

Commons or you may join via Teams.

Hot Lunch:

October Hot Lunch was sent home with drink options and pizza for the month of October. The Hot Lunch program will be discussed at the Oct Council meeting if you would like input. Before placing your order, please make sure you have loaded funds to MFR. Late orders cannot be accepted so please get your order in to avoid disappointment.



We model and maintain a positive Facebook presence. A safe school is one where students, staff and families feel safe. For accurate information please refer to this page: South Branch Elementary-UCDSB

Yard Safety—Supervision begins at 9:15a.m

End of Day Pick Ups 3:40 (Park at NGDHS)

Please call the office by 2 p.m. so your child's name can be added to the pick-up list. This limits class disruptions and end of day chaos.

Daily Schedule

9:25-11:55 Instructional Block & snack
11:55-12:35 BREAK
11:55-12:05 Eat (Gr.3/4-6) (K-2/3) RECESS
12:05-12:35 Recess (3/4-6) (K-2/3) EAT
12:35-1:55 Instructional Block
1:55-2:35 BREAK
1:55-2:05 Eat (Gr.3/4-6) (K-2/3) RECESS
12:05-2:05-2:35 Recess (3/4-6) (K-2/3) EAT
2:35-3:40 Instructional Block
3:40 Bus Dismissal
3:45 Pick Up /Walkers

No School
P.D. Day

Monday, October 24 is a PD Day this year and the school will be closed to students.



South Branch Nutrition Program

Thanks to funding from the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services and under the umbrella of (HEBL/N4K/FFL), our school is pleased to offer healthy food options to all students. Student Nutrition Programs (SNPs) are a great way to provide students with nutritious food to fuel their minds and bodies. The program is something we believe in and pride ourselves in providing. We understand the important role that nutritious food plays in creating a better learning environment for our students.

While we have been running this program since the first week of school, we are struggling with how many food items we are distributing each day. Our current funding for this program is being exceeded by the demand.

Please help us by ensuring you send extra snack and food items with your child.

If you would like to volunteer time to help shop for the program or help package snacks, please reach out to tanya.preston@ucdsb.on.ca as we would love volunteer assistance.

Items that are served daily and consumed at a high rate (must meet our ON Healthy Eating Guidelines) : Cereal bars, unsweetened apple sauces, apples, bananas, cheese strings, yogurt tubes. If you are interested in donating any of these items they can be dropped off at the office.

As well, School Council voted to direct proceeds from October 4 Tiger Tuesday to support our nutrition program. Make sure when you place your order you tell that you are ordering for South Branch.



Reporting a Child Absence

In accordance with our Safe School Policy, all absences must be reported to the school. When a child is absent from school and we cannot reach a guardian through the numbers provided, we must notify our local OPP to investigate.

To avoid this please ensure you report any absences by either method:

- Download MFR APP
- Phone the school and leave a message any time prior to 9:20 a.m. that morning.

***To ensure consistency, please avoid emailing absences to your child's teacher.**

SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR SALES ARE NOW OPEN

ORDER PERIOD IS FROM NOW UNTIL OCT. 14TH



website tisportswear.com
 MORE INFORMATION PLEASE
 CALL 613-345-1130

Tiger Tuesdays

(first Tuesday of each month)

Tues. Oct.4, 2022

South Branch spirit days- wear your South Branch clothing or dress in blue and yellow. Families are invited to order pizza from Mr. Mozzerella and send 15% of proceeds back to support our school.



Lunches and Snacks



Students are encouraged to bring a lunch every day, 2 healthy snacks and a filled water bottle. We are a Nut Aware school so please look for the symbol to keep our school safe. Remember, we ask you to **refrain from sending peanut butter simulated alternatives** as it closely resembles the real product and makes it difficult for staff to discriminate between the products.





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<p>Tiger Tuesdays are a partnership with Mr. Mozzarella to send 15% of the proceeds from orders placed that day back to our school. We wear our school clothing or dress in blue & yellow to show our Tiger support. First Tuesday of each month -we love Tiger Tuesdays!!!</p>						1
2	3	4 Tiger Tuesday 	5 World Teacher Day	6	7	8
9 Fire Prevention Week	10 	11  DRINK STARTS School Council 6:30-7:30	12 PIZZA STARTS 	13	14	15
16	17	18 ECE Appreciation Day 	19	20	21	22
23	24 No School PD. Day	25	26  UC Cross Country Cup	27 	28	29
30	31 Halloween Black&Orange/ Costume	 <p>SCHOOL PHOTO DAY November 2, 2022 is Photo Day. (Dec.5 Retakes)</p>				