



The Weekly Buzzz....

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[November Calendar](#)

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Important Upcoming Dates:

Nov. 13th - Pizza Day
Nov. 13th - International Kindness Day
Nov. 13th - Grade 7 Immunizations
Nov. 15th - Bus Safety Presentations
Nov. 16th - Progress Reports go Home
Nov. 19th -25th - Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week
Nov. 23rd - Parent Teacher Interview Night - 3:15-7:00
Nov. 24th - PD Day



Simcoe Updates

Congratulations to both our Intermediate Boys and Girls Volleyball teams this year! Our Girls team is moving onto the Playoffs this week. We wish them the best of luck on Tuesday as they play their next game at Heximer!

Parent Teacher Interviews and Progress Reports



Students in Grades 1-8 will be receiving their **Progress Reports** on **Thursday, November 16**. Students in Kindergarten will be receiving their **Communication of Learning Report** on this day as well.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will be held during the evening of **Thursday, November 23rd**.

A form will be coming home on Monday to request an interview time slot. Please complete the form and return it to your child's teacher on or before **Thursday, November 16th** the sooner the better, to schedule an interview with your child's teacher.

Conflict Resolution Strategy - WITS



Have you heard about the WITS program
from your child?

We use the WITS program with our students. The WITS Program teaches children strategies that help them make safe and positive choices.

WITS stands for...

Walk away

Ignore

Talk it out

Seek help

In School, these are strategies taught to children to manage conflicts.

You have an important role too. When kids “use their WITS” at home, children have a phrase that is common both in and out of school. This helps children remember the WITS strategies, so they learn to solve some problems without assistance.

Here are some ways that you can support children.

- Talk about the four WITS strategies
- Tell stories or read books related to these themes, and discuss them with your children
- After your child has a conflict, ask your child how they could have done things differently by using their WITS
- Notice how others - in books, in real life, on TV - use WITS strategies to solve a problem



If your child takes the bus, don't forget to register for notifications with NSTS. You will then be notified if your child's bus will be late at pick up or drop off.

Niagara Region Public Health Dental Program



Niagara Region Public Health Dental Program will be offering [Dental screening](#) to grades JK, SK, 2, 4, 7 and 8 on December 5th.

A registered dental hygienist will take a quick look in the child's mouth using a sterilized mirror and light. Staff will be wearing a mask, eye protection, gloves and performing hand hygiene between each student.

The [Healthy Smiles Ontario](#) program may financially assist children who do not have access to dental care.

If you do not want your child(ren) to take part in the dental screening, you **MUST** complete the online [School Dental Screening Nonparticipation Form](#) or call the Dental Health Line at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7399 each school year.

If your child(ren) is not in one of the grades listed above, they may have the opportunity to participate in the dental screening. If you would like your child to be screened, please complete the School Dental Participation Form.



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50/50 Draw

Help support kids across Niagara!

Draw Held on December 18th - 1 PM

\$5 each or 5 for \$20

The maximum allowed prize on this draw is \$20K

Follow us!
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AND @InTheRoundNiagara

Thank you

Order your tickets today!

Max Prize \$20K
Permit No: M818360
4500 tickets printed

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/EFN5050DRAW>

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The Education Foundation of Niagara is a registered charity that helps 38,051 Elementary and Secondary Students throughout the District School Board of Niagara. They are currently running a 50/50 draw. Should you wish to participate, please see the information below.

Help support kids in serious need - Get your 50/50 Tickets for the December draw in support of the Education Foundation of Niagara!

Order on-line to have tickets delivered to your school:

<http://weblink.donorperfect.com/EFN5050DRAW>



**WINTER
SCHOOL FUNDRAISER**

Benefitting

Simcoe St.

Join us on

**Wednesday, December 6th
from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm.**

M&M FOOD MARKET
6225 Thorold Stone Road, Niagara Falls, ON

- Shop at our store and your school earns 10% of every purchase.
- Almost everyone purchases groceries, so this can be a great way for families and school supporters to actively support their school.
- Please share this Special Invitation with friends, family members and neighbours.

You can pre-order using the click and collect ordering system
<https://mmfoodmarket.com/en/pages/about-us-shop-online> Pre-order
your products up to 7 days ahead and pick the school shop day as the
pickup date.

Soup Kitchen



The Soup Kitchen, 4865 St Lawrence Ave will be launching a dinner program on Tuesday evenings from 5 - 6:30. There will be limited meals handed out at the door on a first come, first served basis. Anyone who works during our lunch time and cannot get a meal then is welcome to come. This program starts Tuesday November 7th.

REGISTRATION BY PHONE ONLY - NOVEMBER 1 - 30
CALL 905.358.8394 (Tuesday-Friday 9:30am - 2pm)
(Please have income statement & ID for all household members ready)

CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE
PROVIDING HELP TO FAMILIES IN
NIAGARA FALLS AT CHRISTMAS

The image is a promotional flyer for Christmas Assistance. It features a light-colored, textured background. At the top, there is a registration notice in bold black text. Below this, the words "CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE" are written in large, bold, red capital letters. Underneath, in smaller black text, it says "PROVIDING HELP TO FAMILIES IN NIAGARA FALLS AT CHRISTMAS". To the right of the text is a circular logo for "NIAGARA ORCHARD COMMUNITY CHURCH" which includes a tree and a small red shield with "THE SALVATION ARMY" written on it. At the bottom of the flyer, there are several Christmas-themed items: a small gold tree, a red and white gift box, and several red ornaments.

PARENTING IN THE PRESENT

SUPPORTING REGULATION

NOV 15, 2023 | 12 PM & 6PM

Join us as we discuss

- The difference between self-regulation and self-control
- Brain development
- Strategies to help your child manage their big emotions
- In-the-moment strategies for you
- Tips and Activities to use at home

Brought to you by the DSBN Special Education Department, in partnership with the Mental Health and Wellbeing Department



[12:00 pm Virtual Link](#)

[6:00 pm Virtual Link](#)



Mental Health Care is Evolving Across Niagara

Effective, October 31st, 2023

Seamless access to mental health care and support for Niagara's children and youth, can now be found at Pathstone.

If your child/youth is under 18, living in Niagara, and needs mental health services, connect with Pathstone Mental Health directly to get started.



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The Branscombe Centre
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St. Catharines, ON,
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905.688.6850
General Inquiries



intake@pathstone.ca



www.pathstonementalhealth.ca

Step #1

Phone: 905.688.6850 ext. 8

Email: intake@pathstone.ca

Online: www.pathstonementalhealth.ca/programs-services

Step #2

One of our intake team members will call you back to chat with you about the type of mental health programming that would best suit your needs.

Step #3

You will be connected to the most appropriate mental health program or service.

Please feel free to ask us any questions.

We look forward to working with you and your family.

