

# Tiger Tales



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District School Board



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Happy New Year!

Every January many people make New Year's Resolutions. The Tigers are no different! Our students are consistently setting, modifying and achieving goals in the classroom. Remember to ask your Tiger about their goals and what they are doing to achieve them. You can help them achieve their goals too. Please make sure they arrive everyday well rested and ready to learn. And please communicate with your Tiger's teacher on how they are achieving their goals. If we persevere and work together, we can all achieve our goals and resolutions!



Mr. Crozier



## Boston Pizza Earn Back Program

Hillcrest participates in the Boston Pizza Earn Back Program.

Sign Hillcrest PS on the receipt and place it the drop box at the front of the restaurant.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Jan. 9 - Dental Screenings Begin
- Jan. 16 - Grade 1 FI info night
- Feb. 6 - School Council



## KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Kindergarten registration opens in January. Do you (or someone you know) have a child who was born in 2013? If so, it's almost time to register them for Kindergarten in the SCDSB! Beginning on January 23, 2017, Simcoe County's public schools will register children for Kindergarten for the 2017-18 school year. Required registration documents include birthdate documentation, proof of address and record of immunization. Visit [www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten](http://www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten) for more information.

# Stay Informed



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School events will be on the calendar

# French Immersion

Want to apply for French Immersion? Find out more at information sessions in January. The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) offers French Immersion (FI) at select schools throughout the county beginning in Grade 1. This program gives students a bilingual education and the opportunity to become fluent in another language.

Information sessions will be held in January for parents of students in Senior Kindergarten. A letter will be sent home to those parents with more details. Information session dates will be posted at [www.scdsb.on.ca](http://www.scdsb.on.ca) under Programs, French as a Second Language.

The FI online application form will be available from 9 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 23, until 9 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 25, 2017 at [www.scdsb.on.ca](http://www.scdsb.on.ca) under Programs, French as a Second Language. While every effort is made to accommodate all FI applications, available space and staffing will determine how many students can be registered in the program. Applications will be processed in the order they are received electronically.

Please contact the school if you do not have Internet access at home or require assistance accessing the online application. Please note that the host sites for FI may change during your child's time in the program, and your child may need to move schools. This may also include splitting the program between two different sites.

## Council Corner

Are you interested in volunteering at Hillcrest? Do you have a current Vulnerable Sector Check or declaration?

We have opportunities for you to come and volunteer. We even have an amazing volunteer coordinator! Pizza and office help are just some of the areas where you can dedicate some time. And it doesn't have to be a lot of time either! A few hours here or there would suffice.

Interested volunteers can email Geri Moore (Volunteer Coordinator) at: [hillcrestvolunteers@hotmail.com](mailto:hillcrestvolunteers@hotmail.com)



# VOLUNTEER

# School Climate Survey

Students and parents invited to complete the school climate survey (elementary schools only) From Jan. 9 to Jan. 27, 2017, all students in grades 4 to 8 will be asked to complete an anonymous online survey at school about how they feel about their school. Your child's teacher will supervise the class during the survey and can answer any questions or concerns your child may have. As well, parents/guardians of students in grades 4 to 8 will be asked to complete an anonymous online survey about how they feel about their child's school.

These surveys provide students and parent/guardians with the opportunity to say what is great about their school, as well as express their concerns. The survey results will provide valuable feedback to staff and will help schools to develop their Safe Schools Plans. Respondents are not asked to provide their names and all responses will be combined to ensure confidentiality.

To complete the parent/guardian survey, visit the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) website at [www.scdsb.on.ca](http://www.scdsb.on.ca) and click the link to the parent/guardian School Climate survey. The password for the survey is ElementaryParent2017. If you do not have access to the internet and/or you prefer to complete a paper version of the survey, you can request one at the school office. Questions about the parent/guardian survey can be directed to SCDSB's Research and Evaluation Services team via email at [research@scdsb.on.ca](mailto:research@scdsb.on.ca). Thank you for your support!