October 15, 2022

Dear Clipper Families,

Students and staff returned to school rested after the Thanksgiving long weekend. Although this week has only been 4 days, we continue to work with our students in the classroom in preparation for the first progress report. Grade 6 students have completed the first portion of their Grade 6 Provincial Assessments and we have watched them work very hard during this time.

We have added our new grade 7 class and students are falling into a smooth transition into the new schedules. As teachers continue routines within the classroom, more assessment of classroom learning and entering grades into PowerSchool (for grade 7 and 8 students) has occurred. It is beneficial for parents to find out how things are going by logging into PowerSchool regularly. If you need help with this, please contact the main office. We thank you for your continued support and we would like to thank you for the confidence that you have in us, as a team, to ensure a great educational experience.

Regards, Sabitha Masih Principal Cunard Junior High School

Pumpkins Anyone?	We are looking for donations of pumpkins for a school wide pumpkin carving activity. If you would like to donate a pumpkin or two to the main office, we would appreciate it. If you would like to donate cash towards the school purchasing pumpkins, we would be happy to accept that as well. All donations can be sent to the main office.
School Cash	Just a reminder that all financial purchases should be made through School Cash. Please check your school cash account to see if you are missing important items for purchase at: <u>https://www.schoolcashonline.com/</u>
Got Books?	This year we are focusing on reading for all of our students. In order to encourage this we are looking for more books in the hands of our students. If you have any books that you have read and are willing to donate to our school, we would be happy to take them off your hands. We have students at all levels of reading so we would be happy to have any level of books. These books would be made available to our students in our classroom libraries for all students to borrow. Please note, we will check all books to assess their appropriateness for our school setting.
Christmas Shopping - Clothing Order	This year we are offering school clothing for purchase and just in time for the holidays. Parents/Staff can order until the end of November for a mid Dec arrival at the school. https://headlinepromotions.ca/cunard-junior-hi gh-school/ Don't miss out!
Photos	All photos have been delivered home by now. If you are having trouble seeing the photos on the form sent home, you can always login online or use your phone to scan the QR code on the order form. Picture Retakes will

	be happening on October 20th if needed. Don't forget to get your orders in on time. If you have any questions or concerns about the photos, please contact John at <u>photomasterstudios@icloud.com</u>
ID Cards	Students will be receiving their school ID's this week. Please understand that new photo ID's cannot be issued so please have your child keep their ID safe.
Pizza Orders	This is a reminder that all pizza orders must be done prior to Tuesday at 12pm for a Wednesday delivery. No orders made after this time will be accepted. Please make sure you are ordering for the correct date as well. All orders MUST be made on School Cash. If you are having trouble ordering, there is a link on the school website. <u>https://cun.hrce.ca/</u>
Craft Fair	Unfortunately, the school annual craft fair will not be happening as we do not have enough parent volunteers to make this happen.
School Advisory Council Members	We are still in need of one more parent volunteer on the SAC. If you are interested, please send me an email at smasih@hrce.ca. The commitment to this is 6 meetings a year, for 1 hour on zoom.
Phones, Texts, Messages	Students have 3 options for their phones during the instructional school day. -in their locker -in their cinch bag -in the office Students do best when they do not have their phone with them during class time. They are a distraction and students miss important instruction or essential time to work. Please note that many of the disruptions students are receiving on their phone are from parents/guardians. If you need to reach your child please call the main office at (902)479-4418. Receiving these messages in class interrupts the learning environment for all students and having students leave the class to go to the washroom to receive a call

	is disruptive to their learning. As we continue to work together on this, please remind your child of the places they may store their phone.
Lates	Students that come to school late are missing important instruction. They are also disrupting the learning of others. It is important that all students arrive on time at 8:10am and 12:10pm.

Important Dates:

October 20 - Picture Retake

October 28 - Conference Day (no classes)

November 11 - Remembrance Day (no classes)

November 21 - Assessment and Evaluation Day (no classes)