

# STONEBRIDGE ELEMENTARY

2022-23



## 4th Grade Handbook

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\*When your child will be absent:

- Enter the absence on PowerSchool **OR**
- Call the attendance line: 651-351-8701

In addition, contacting your child's teacher directly via email or phone is always appreciated!

## Welcome to 4th Grade

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The three of us would like to welcome you to our Grade 4 community!

We want you to know how thankful we are for the children and how dedicated we are to providing each of them with an exceptional fourth grade experience.

We teach because we believe in the value of education; therefore, we strive to make our program rigorous, motivating and relevant. This is not the only reason we teach. We also love children and believe in every child's potential, not only as a student, but as a contributing member of society. Therefore, we integrate character education into our daily activities. This character education is our focus as we work hard to promote an environment where everyone feels cared about and respected. Our goal is to send forth thoughtful, well-educated citizens who not only feel good about themselves, but who also know they can make a positive difference in our world.

Sincerely,

Your Grade 4 Teachers

Craig Seath  
Nicole Toronto

## Daily Schedule (In School)

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<b>TIME</b>	<b>ACTIVITY</b>
8:45 - 9:05	Morning Meeting
9:05 - 9:55	Writing
9:55 - 10:50	Math
Seath 10:50 - 11:10 Toronto	Lunch
Seath 11:10-11:35 Toronto	Recess
12:00 - 12:30	WIN
12:30 - 1:10	Specialist
1:10 - 1:30	Read Aloud / Snack
1:30 - 2:00	Science/Social Studies/Second Steps
2:00 - 2:45	Reading Workshop
2:45 - 3:00	Word Work
3:00 - 3:15	Lockers
3:15	Dismissal

### **Recess**

Students will have 20 minutes of recess daily. Here are the guidelines for when we would have recess indoors due to cold weather.

- If the temperature is below ZERO students will stay in.
- If the wind chill is below -10 F students will stay in

## Specialist Rotation

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Seath		Toronto	
Day 1	Phy Ed	Day 1	Art/Media
Day 2	Art/Media	Day 2	Music
Day 3	Music	Day 3	P.E.
Day 4	Phy Ed	Day 4	Art/Media
Day 5	Art/Media	Day 5	Music
Day 6	Music	Day 6	P.E.

Quarter 1 & 3 - Art

Quarter 2 & 4 - Media

## Snacks & Birthdays

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### Snack (optional)

We will offer a couple times during the day for your child to have a healthy snack. You and your child can decide which time might be best. Please note this is optional.

- Healthy
- Peanut Free
- Water only in classroom
- For your child only

### Less Cake - More Birthdays

Birthdays are an important opportunity for us to recognize and celebrate students. It's also an opportunity to help them develop healthy lifestyles that ensure they have many more happy birthdays!

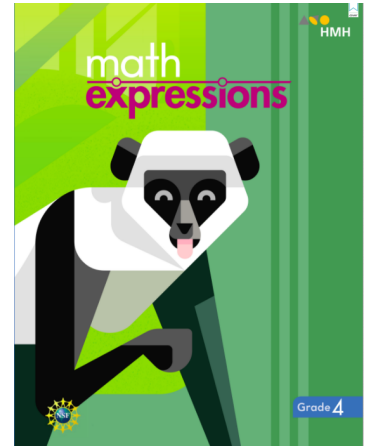
We want our students to feel valued and loved on their special day, and we can do that in many fun and memorable ways that do not involve sugary treats.

## Curriculum

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### Math - *Math Expressions*

- Place Value and Operations
- Multiplication with Whole Numbers
- Division with Whole Numbers
- Equations and Word Problems
- Measurement
- Fraction Concepts and Operations
- Fractions and Decimals
- Geometry

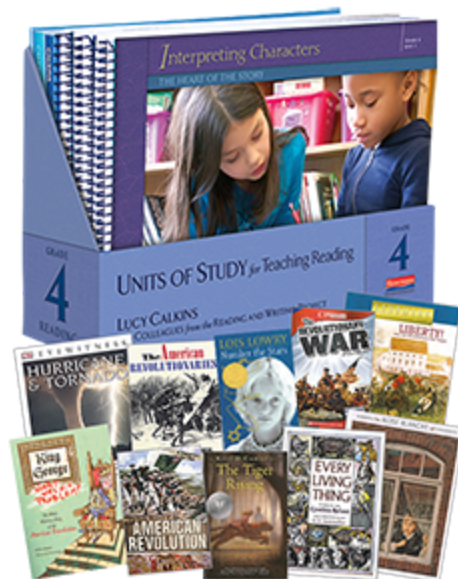


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### Literacy - Reading Workshop Model

- Each class time begins with a mini-lesson.
- Students will practice skills using their own reading material at their level.
- Students will have conferring time to check for understanding.

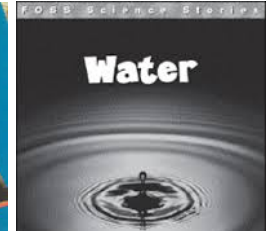
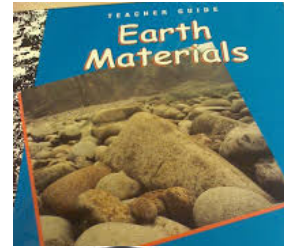


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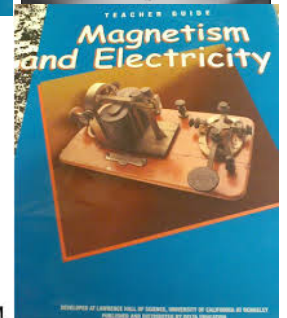
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## Science

- Ideas & Inventions
- Magnets & Electricity / Engineering is Elementary (EiE) - An Alarming Idea
- Earth Materials
- Water / Engineering is Elementary (EiE) - Water, Water Everywhere



Full Option  
Science System™



## Social Studies

- Citizenship & Government
- Economics
- History
- Geography



## Homework & Communication

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### Home Work Responsibilities

Reading is a healthy habit & expectation

- 25 to 30 minutes

Occasional homework if work doesn't get done during class

## Communication

We use a variety of tools to communicate with parents. You can expect regular communication from your child's teacher keeping you updated on important events as well as the work we are doing at school.

- Planners
- Friday Folders
- SeeSaw
- PowerSchool

## Student Technology Resources

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**These are just a few of the resources we will be using this year.**

- Clever
- Seesaw
- Xtra Math
- Chromebooks
- Google Classroom

## Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

Parents can assist by following arrival and dismissal procedures listed below. These procedures can be found on the Stonebridge website under the Parent Resources section.

Classes begin at 8:45 a.m. with dismissal at 3:15 p.m.

- All Students: 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- School Patrol: 8:15 a.m. and 3:35 p.m.

We have no supervision outside of these times.

### AM Traffic Reminders

Our morning busses drop off on Owens Street south of the school entrance and arrive at approximately the same time. This results in some of our busses waiting where the carpool lines up north of the school entrance. It is important for parents to wait behind the busses and be signaled in by our traffic controller. We have had a number of near accidents with cars taking a right turn in front of the bus in order to get into the school entrance. This will be a temporary delay as the busses will move forward as soon as the space is available.

- Once into the school parking area, proceed towards the school entrance following to the right.
- Stay in line, pull ahead to the marked carpool sign.
- Pull away promptly to keep the line moving.

## **PM Traffic Reminders**

Afternoon announcements are made at 3:15 p.m. Messages for students should be called into the office no later than 2:45 p.m.

The end of the day can be very hectic. We are asking you to make appointments outside the school day. If you need to pick your child up early, plan on some extra time. Park your car in the parking lot without blocking other vehicles and be mindful of the handicap spots and crosswalks. You will need to activate the intercom upon arrival and one of our office staff will sign your child out. Your child will meet you in the vestibule.

- All Stonebridge students need to exit the building at the end of the day from the main front entrance doors.
- Students are not allowed to meet vehicles in the parking lot.
- Parents need to use the carpool line.
- You will not be able to make a left turn when the traffic controller is in the intersection.

There are four types of dismissals at Stonebridge:

1. **Walkers:** Students who walk home. If you are meeting your child at school, please wait outside or in the vestibule.
2. **Bus:** Students who ride the bus.
3. **Carpool:** Students who are picked up in a vehicle.
4. **Adventure Club:** Students who attend on-site child care.

Students are released in a gradual manner to facilitate safety in the hallways. Adventure Club students go to the cafeteria. Walkers and bussers go out first. Carpool students wait in the gym until buses have left the parking lot, which is no later than 3:25 p.m. Carpool students are escorted outside to meet their rides.

## **Carpool/Pick Up Vehicles**

- Line up on the west side of Owens street (along the curb), just north of the school's entrance.
- Wait for our traffic controller to signal you in.
- Please do not block driveways or crosswalks.
- Once into the school parking area, proceed towards the school entrance following to the right.
- Stay in line, pull ahead to the marked carpool sign.
- Pull away promptly to keep the line moving.