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THE CROSSING GUARDS OF PETERBOROUGH TO BE RECOGNIZED

Vote to nominate Peterborough's Crossing Guard of the Year



Some of Peterborough's unsung heroes will be recognized for their hard work and dedication in June.

June 6th to 10th will be proclaimed Crossing Guard Appreciation Week in Peterborough. In celebration, the City will be holding a contest to honour these devoted workers whose efforts continue to keep students safe.

Students, parents and friends can show their appreciation by voting for their favourite Crossing Guard at www.peterborough.ca/crossingguards. Follow the link to surveys/forms and fill out the nomination form. A winner will be announced on Thursday, June 9th.

The kick-off to Crossing Guard Appreciation Week will take place at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 6th at City Hall. A brief ceremony and flag-raising will be followed by a reception for Crossing Guards and invited guests in the General Committee Room on the second floor of City Hall.

The City of Peterborough employs 41 adult Crossing Guards who serve 22 City schools in the area. They are sanctioned under the Ontario Highway Traffic act to assist elementary school children safely across the road.

"The Crossing Guards of Peterborough play an important, often unrecognized, role in our community," says Lead Crossing Guard, Sandy Lonergan. "They are entrusted with the safety of our children and they're out there daily in all kinds of weather, quietly doing their job. We feel it is important to recognize their significant role in our community."

The Crossing Guards of Peterborough have been serving the community for over 50 years. Crossing Guard Appreciation Week is the first annual event in their honour.

For more information about the Crossing Guards of Peterborough, please visit www.peterborough.ca/crossingguards.

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