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Welcome and Welcome Back!



Just ask any staff member in our school, "What is the best day of the year?" Without a doubt you'll hear, "The first day of school!"

Seeing all our returning and new students is the best feeling in the world. It is a return to friends, curiosity about the world and how it works along with new learning.

We are honoured to work with all our families to provide support, opportunities and work as a team to help develop our children.

As always, if you have any questions, the best person to contact first is always the classroom teacher to discuss your child's development and growth at school. Do not hesitate to reach out and make those connections early on. We hope that all of you will join us to connect during our BBQ September 12.

Ana Mena & Kevin McMurray

Meet the Staff BBQ, Book Fair & Playground Grand Opening

We have a special evening planned for you on September 12!



At 5:00 we will be celebrating the official grand opening of our new playground that will honour our former parent council chair, Andrea Reid.

Afterwards please take some time to meet the staff, visit the classrooms, visit the book fair and then chat with us during the bbq. A hamburger, drink and snack will be provided for a nominal cost of \$4.00.

Criminal Reference Checks



Please remember that you must have a criminal reference check if you would like to

volunteer at the school. This includes assisting with field trips. The office staff will provide you with a letter to take to the OPP detachment in Lindsay (Highway 35 between Colborne St and Kent St). When your application has been processed, you must pick up your criminal background

check from the OPP and bring it to the school. Once your criminal reference check is on file at the school, you have the opportunity to complete a simple offence declaration each subsequent school year. Please note: if an offence declaration is not completed each year, you will need to re-apply for a criminal background check. The initial criminal background check process takes time, so if you would like to volunteer for field trips later in the year, it is a good idea to start the process now. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Forms are available in the office or at the Meet the Staff BBQ night.

Parent Council Meeting

Please pick up a self-nomination form at the office. Our first meeting will occur September 25, from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the school library.



Picture Day

September 24-Smile!!

School Spirit Days!

Join us showing some school spirit! Our first spirit day is Orange Shirt Day in recognition of residential school survivors September 28.

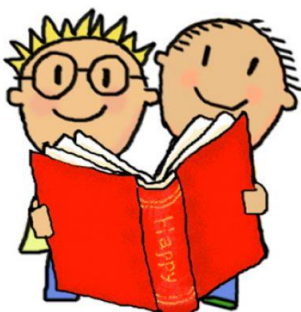
Life Threatening Allergies

Please be aware that there is a student in our school with a severe life threatening food allergy (anaphylaxis) to milk. This is a medical condition that causes a severe reaction to specific foods and can result in death within minutes. Although this may or may not affect your child's class directly, we want to inform you that in room 206 (Ms. Genge's classroom) there is a severe dairy allergy. We are asking that parents refrain from sending in class treats in room 206 that contain dairy and talk to their children about the seriousness of this severe allergy. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

We also have a student in our school with a severe life threatening food allergy (anaphylaxis) to peanuts. This is a severe medical condition that causes a severe reaction to specific foods that can cause death within minutes. We want to inform our community so that you can send foods with your children that are free from peanuts. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Book Fair

Our library will be transforming into a Scholastic Book Fair on September 12-17. Look



for the special flyer coming home that will highlight new and fabulous reads. The book fair will be opening during our Meet the Staff BBQ. All proceeds will go towards purchasing new books for our library.

Student of the Month

Our student of the month assembly is September 27 at 9:15. Parents are welcome to help us celebrate the achievements of our students showing goal setting.

Agendas

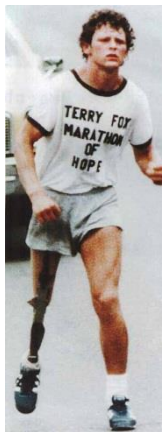
We are delighted that this year the agendas are provided free of charge for each child in order to ensure timely and helpful communication. Please send it to school daily.



Terry Fox

Our school is proud to participate once again in the Terry Fox run to put a stop to cancer. Our kick off assembly is September 14 at 9:30 and our school run will take place September 28 at

11:40. Volunteers are needed to help with the water stations or run/walk with us! Please contact Mrs. Murray or Ms. Busca at the school if you are able and willing to help.



Teams & Clubs

Please encourage your children in grades 4-8 to get involved. Try outs for cross country are underway shortly and soccer team tryouts will begin towards the end of September. Other opportunities to get involved at Lady Mackenzie PS include the 'Me to We' group, H.A.T. (Healthy Active Team), Intramurals, Grease the musical and Lunch Monitors.

Safe Arrival Program

For your convenience an answering machine is on operation for you to call us during non-office hours from 4:00 p.m.-8:30 a.m. Please call any time to leave a message regarding why your child(ren) will not be attending school. If we have not been informed, we will make every effort to contact you for information.



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