# BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL



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#### **School Hours of Operation**

8:25am—Yard Supervision begins

8:45am – Entry Bell

8:50am – Classes Begin

10:50–11:10am—1st Nutrition Break

11;10-11:30 am—1st
Outdoor Recess

1:10pm-1:30 -2<sup>nd</sup> Nutrition Break

1:30—1:50 pm—2nd
Outdoor Recess

3:10 PM—Dismissal 3:25 PM—Bus Loading

BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL IS NUT AWARE

#### October News, 2018

#### Message from the Principal:

I know everyone is saying it already, but I also cannot believe September is almost over and here we are in October!

So much has happened during the first month. We had our first School Council meeting on the 25<sup>th</sup> and the turnout was great. We have some dedicated and enthusiastic parents with a ton of fantastic ideas for engaging the school community this year. There is a plan in the works again for parents to participate with their kids in the Waterford Pumpkinfest Parade. This has been a fun experience for the past few years! Be on the lookout for more information coming about this event.

During this first week of October, both our junior and intermediate co-ed soccer teams will don their Blazer uniforms and represent our school proudly. Thank you to Mrs. Pitts and Mrs. Bowers for dedicating your time to coach! We greatly appreciate it!

We will be starting our monthly character education assemblies with a kick off this month. Throughout the year, we will be recognizing students for exemplifying excellent character as well as outstanding effort and achievement in their daily work at school.

EQAO results for 2017-18 have been recently released by the Ministry of Education. You can see these at <a href="www.eqao.com">www.eqao.com</a>. Individual Student Reports (for those students who were in Grade 3 or 6 last year) will be coming home later in October. We as a staff will be examining this data on the October 2<sup>nd</sup> PD day as we establish our School Achievement Plan for this year.

#### Dates to Remember...

Monday October 1 - Junior Soccer Tournament in Delhi

Tuesday October 2 – PA Day

Tuesday October 2 – Fair Day Road Race

Thursday October 4 - Intermediate Soccer Tournament in Delhi

Thursday October 4 - Kindergarten & Mrs. Sostar SK/Gr. 1 classes to Brantwood Farms

Friday October 5 – Subway Lunch Day

Monday October 8 – Thanksgiving Monday Holiday

Wednesday October 10 – School Picture Orders due

Friday October 12 - Domino's Pizza Day

Friday October 12 - Cross Country Run, Memorial Park, Simcoe

Monday October 15 - Cross Country Run - Raindate

Wednesday October 17 – Friday Oct. 19 – Scholastic Book Fair @ Boston School

Thursday October 18 - Picture Retake Day

Thursday October 18 – Scholastic Book Fair Evening 5:30 – 7:00 in Learning Commons

Friday October 19 – Pita Pit Lunch

Friday October 26 - Yins Lunch Day

Wednesday October 31- Happy Halloween

#### STRONG START

Once again, Boston Public School will be offering Strong Start to students in our primary division. The program helps children in Senior Kindergarten and Grade 1 learn the names and/or sounds of letters, recognize commonly used words and learn how to blend sounds together to form words. The Letters, Sounds and Words program is a ten week program in which volunteers work one on one with a child for thirty minutes each week. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Kathy Knill who coordinates this program at our school.

Terry Fox Run update....sincere thanks to all for supporting our school "Marathon of Hope" Terry Fox Run on Thursday September 27<sup>th</sup>. Our school has raised just over \$800.00 so far in support of Cancer Research – donations will be accepted until October 4<sup>th</sup>. Thanks Miss Read for organizing this years run!

#### TRANSPORTATION UPDATE

Please note: students are only to ride their bus that is assigned to their address, requests for alternate drop off locations are not allowed unless there is an emergency situation. Due to restrictions in place we are not able to accommodate any bus switching. This policy is in place for the safety of all of our students. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact the school office @ 519-443-5003

#### THANK-YOU

#### **Volunteer Policy**

All volunteers, including field trip volunteers, must have a valid and approved Police Check on file in the office. These forms are available in the office, and are good for 3 calendar years from the date of issue. Also, all volunteers must complete the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Declaration on the Grand Erie District School Board Website, Parent/Volunteer Tab \*\*Please note, for the safety of the students, volunteers at Boston PS are required to sign in and out at the office, and wear an I.D. tag at all times.\*\*

SCHOOL PICTURE ORDERS ARE DUE WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 – DON'T FORGET YOU CAN ORDER
YOUR PACKAGES ONLINE AS WELL.
RE-TAKE DAY IS THURSDAY OCTOBER 18<sup>TH</sup>.

#### **BOOK FAIR**

Our Parent Group is hosting a *Scholastic Book Fair* in the Boston School Library. The fair runs from Wednesday October 17th—Friday October 19th from 9-3 everyday. PLEASE JOIN US!!!



Book Fair Open Thursday October 18th from 5-7 PM

## 4th Annual Great Big Crunch is coming to Boston

The Child Nutrition Network of Haldimand Norfolk and our Nutrition program volunteers are excited to announce the 4th Annual Great Big Crunch is coming to Boston Public School on Thursday October 18th @ 2:30 PM. A variety of apples will be supplied and each of our students will be involved in this event. We will be accepting donations on that day for our School Snack Program. Each student who brings a \$5.00 donation towards our program will receive a ballot for a "free turkey" - \$30.00 value. The draw will be held that afternoon in our gym as part of our "crunch celebration".

Our snack program will start the week of October 1<sup>st</sup>. We are still looking for a volunteer for our snack program for Wednesday mornings, please contact the school if you can help out! 519-443-5003

Waterford's Annual Pumpkinfest is just around the corner! This year it will be held from October 11-14. As usual, the students at Boston will be carving pumpkins to help decorate the pyramids for the special event. Please gather your "school safe" pumpkin carving gear! More information to follow.

### Grade 8 News....

Our Little Caesar's pizza kit fundraiser wrapped up at the end of September.

Thank you to all who ordered to support our grade 8's! The kits will be delivered on October 16th. A reminder to parents that there will be an information session that same night beginning at 5:30. The first installment and registration forms will be due on November 2nd. More information regarding that will be covered at the October 16th information session.

See you then!

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