We would like to welcome back our returning families and welcome our new families to Branlyn Community School! We have several items of importance to share with you.

Meet Our Staff

Principal: Mrs. T. Bell

Secretary: Mrs. S. Pottruff

Teachers: Mrs. N. Sage Grade 7/8

Mrs. P. Elmy Grade 7/8

Ms. D. Sakalas Grade 7

Mrs. J. Tomkins Grade 6

Ms. K. Swanson Grade 5/6

Mr. J. Tipper Grade 4/5

Ms. S. Jozwiak Grade 3/4

Ms. A. Saldarelli Grade 3

Mrs. M. Davidson & Mrs. K. Saint Grade 2/3

Mrs. E. McCleary Grade 1/2

Mrs. K. Armstrong Grade 1

Mrs. D. Chapman Kindergarten

Mrs. M. Clarke Kindergarten

Ms. C. Morris Strategies Class

Early Childhood Educators: Miss L. Whibley, Mrs. P. Gonzalez

Teacher/Librarian: Ms. M. Smith

Learning Resource Teacher: Mrs. S. Scheffel

French Teacher: Mrs. M. Ronson

Educational Assistants: Mrs. S. Powell, Mr. M. Lalonde, Mr. B. Rogers,

Mrs. N. Jackson, Mrs. T. Torti, Mrs. K. Potter

Custodians: Ms. Y. Kwarta, Mr. P. Schwegler

ON-LINE PAYMENT IS HERE!



School Cash Online:

Many of our parents have already registered to participate in our "School Cash Online" program which allows you to pay for day-to-day school expenses such as trips, agendas, etc. from home. If you haven't already registered, please follow the instructions below:

Step 1: Please use this link - www.schoolcashonline.com

Step 2: Register by selecting the "Get Started Now" and follow the steps.

Step 3: After you receive the confirmation email, please select the "click here" option, log in and

add each of your children to your household account.

School Cash Online - Parent Help Desk - 1-866-961-1803

ALL ITEMS CAN BE PAID FOR ONLINE!

*** WE WILL NO LONGER BE USING LUNCH BOX FOR OUR LUNCHES AND MILK***

IT WILL ALL BE DONE THROUGH THE SCHOOL!

SIGN-IN

To enhance the safety of all our children, we have security doors on the internal doors leading to both schools as well as the gyms. This means that parents can only enter the school and have access to the office/foyer with their child(ren).

When you enter the school, you must sign in at the office. Be sure to wear our Visitor Pass

This assures students and staff that you have permission to be in the building.

We have these policies in place as we make every effort to keep your children safe at our

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please call the school and leave a message. The answering machine runs 24 hours/day @ (519)759-7240.

If your child has an appointment, please call the office in advance or send a note with the child's teacher. This helps eliminates classroom disruptions. Also, please try to make after school arrangements with your child before school.

We have a very busy office so please make after school arrangements with your child(ren) in advance!

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS-POLICE CHECKS

Please be aware that there is a Board Policy with regards to volunteers. This pertains to anyone who comes into contact with the students in our school: Classroom helpers, drivers, etc.



The Board requires everyone to have a police check, including vulnerable sector portion. A letter from your school will be provided for you to take to the closest police station to request a check.

The school will require to see the original copy and will keep a photocopy at the office. The police check is valid for two years.



9:00 Entry Bell

9:00-11:00 Block 1 (120 min)

11:00-11:40 Nutrition Break

11:40-1:20 Block 2 (100 min)

1:20-2:00 Nutrition Break

2:00-3:20 Block 3 (80 min)

3:20 Dismissal Bell

****Students going home for "lunch" may go home duning the 2nd Nutrition Break****



Students are <u>not allowed to leave school property</u> unless we have a note from your parents!

September Dates to Remember

- 5 First Day of School
- 15 P. A Day
- 21 Meet the Teacher BBQ
- 22 Picture Day

(Photovisions)

26 Parent Committee Meeting—7 pm ALL WELCOME!



This Program was a huge success and will continue for the 2017-18 school year! Our Breakfast Program runs from Monday-Friday. A Big THANK YOU to Brant Food for Thought, volunteers, teachers for their time, effort and support this program a success!

We are always looking for volunteers and donations to our Breakfast Program, if you would like to help out or donate, please contact the school.

School Lockers

All of our Grade 6 to 8 students will be assigned a "locker". Students **can** purchase a lock from the school and the cost is \$5.00 and it is theirs to keep!

Agendas

All students in Grade 1-6 will be using an agenda this year. The cost for the agenda is \$5.00 and is available from your child's teacher. These planners are a great communication tool between home and school!

School Supplies

All students will need a pair of indoor running shoes with non-marking soles to participate in Physical Education and Daily Activities. For younger students, it is recommended that shoes fasten with Velcro.

If you are considering purchasing personal school supplies for your child/children, the following lists include items that children use at school on a regular basis. Please ensure that all items are labelled with the child's name.

<u>Kindergarten Program:</u> Please provide an extra change of clothes (pants, shirt, underwear, socks) in a Ziploc bag with your child's name on the outside of bag.

<u>Gr.1-2:</u> pencils, erasers, 30 cm ruler, pencil crayons or crayons, glue stick, scissors.

Gr. 3-5: pencils, 30 cm ruler, pencil crayons, glue stick, scissors, 3 ringed lined paper, markers, 2" binder.

<u>Gr. 6-8:</u> pencils, erasers, 30 cm ruler, pencil crayons, glue stick, scissors, pen, highlighter, 3 ringed paper, markers, 2" binder, scientific calculator, protractor, USB flash drive.

If you wish to make a donation to your child's classroom in September, the following items are always appreciated in any grade for shared classroom use:

- Plastic Spoons
- Drinking Straws
- Kleenex
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Paper Towel

We are looking forward to a rewarding 2017-18 year!