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> Principal Jeannette Marry

Office Co-ordinator Jenn Dalby



Morning bell: 9:00 AM Please note that staff supervision begins at 8:50 AM. Students should not be arriving early on the yard in the morning.

1st Nutritional Break: 10:40 – 11:20 AM

2nd Nutritional Break: 1:00 – 1:40 PM

Dismissal: 3:20 PM

April News

The Spring Food Drive is planned to begin the week of

April 30th. All donations of non-perishable food items go to our local Food Bank. School Council is coordinating this event again this year. The classroom with the most food donations (based on a point system) will once again enjoy a tasty treat – of an ice-cream sundae!

DATES TO REMEMBER

March 30 – April 2, 2018 – Easter Holidays April 3, 2018 – SK and Grade 8 grad picture day April 3, 2018 – Wear blue for Autism April 4, 2018 - Grade 3 / 4 and 4 / 5 visit Kanata Village April 4, 2018 – Myrtleville House visits James Hillier April 11, 2018 – Grade 5 trip to Bite of Brant April 13, 2018 – P.A. Day – No School April 22, 2018 – Rotary Classic Run April 26, 2018 – 1st PRO Yoga Session – 6:30 – 7:45 PM – gym April 30, 2018 – 1st Day of Spring Food Drive

Mark these upcoming dates on your calendar:

May 9, 2018 – Education Week Open House – 4:30 – 6:00 PM May 15, 2018 – Gr. 4 – 8 – Track and Field Day May 16, 2018 – Pizza Day (instead of Tuesday, May 15/18) May 22 – June 1, 2018 – EQAO Provincial Assessments for Gr. 3 & 6



Volunteers Needed: School Council is always looking for volunteers. If you would like to lend a helping hand with school and council events (e.g. Fun Fair, Grade 8 Graduation, Teacher Appreciation Day etc.), please call the school office and leave your name and number!

Reminders and Information...

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR VOLUNTEERS:

NEW this year, all volunteers must complete the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Declaration (A.O.D.A), mandatory training available at this link and go to "view the accessibility videos here" tab: <u>http://www.granderie.ca/board/elementary/parent-</u> portal/volunteers

<u>Please forward a copy of your completed AODA</u> <u>certificate to Mrs. Dalby for our records.</u>

SCHOOL COUNCIL:

School Council members play a vital role in contributing to the improvement work at the school. Community and parent partners work in collaboration with the school to support some common goals for improvement, achievement, and the well-being of all students. We have an active school council, that meets approximately 5 times during the school year for council meetings, and through the combined efforts of our volunteers, helps to provide positive experiences for all our students, and the school community.

This year, School Council has supported several initiatives through fundraising that provides extra-curricular learning opportunities for our students. Initiatives such as Trip Assist, Jiggi Jump presentations, library improvement, Scientists in the Classroom, etc. These initiatives, along with annual events (e.g. Fun Fair, Grade 8 graduation, Pancake Day, hot lunches, pizza days, food drives etc.) would not take place without the generosity of our school community, and the hands-on work of our school council members, and parents.

ROTARY BRANTFORD CLASSIC RUN:

Once again, the Rotary Club of Brantford will be organizing the Rotary Brantford Classic Run. This will be the 36th year of this run/walk which raises money for children and youth in Brantford and surrounding area.

The Classic Run will take place this year on **Sunday, April 22nd**, 2018, and will feature a 10km and 5km run as well as a 3 mile walk. To cover the timing costs, there is a $\frac{$10}{10 \text{ km}}$ events. There is <u>no charge to students for registering in the un-timed 3 mile walk</u>.

Message from the Principal

The Grand Erie multi-year plan 2016 – 2020 promotes **Success for Every Student** through a focus on students and staff in a culture of high expectations. This vision is supported through the 6 indicators of: Achievement, Well-Being, Equity, Environment, Technology and Community. Each of these indicators in turn align with school based practices to promote student success, and well-being.

To view the Grand Erie multi-year plan in more detail, please access it at the following link:

http://www.granderie.ca/board/about/multi-year-plan



Sincerely,

Mrs. Marry

