



May 2026

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Important Dates

May 7 – Banana Bread
Making Night (hosted by
School Council), 4:30-6:00

May 8 – *Animal Day* (wear
your favourite animal print
or accessories)

May 18 – Victoria Day (no
school)

May 20 – One Stop Grad
Shop, 4:00-7:00

May 26 – School Council
meeting, 6:00

May 28 – Welcome to
Kindergarten, 3:30-4:30

May 29 – *Peace, Love &
Kindness Day* (wear tie-dye
or bright colours & spread
kindness)

Message from the Principals

As we move into May, it's wonderful to see signs of spring all around us - warmer weather, greener spaces, and students enjoying more time learning and playing outdoors. This season always brings a renewed sense of energy to our school community.

At the end of this month, students in Grades 3 and 6 will be participating in EQAO assessments. We are proud of the growth our students have shown and encourage them to approach these assessments with confidence.

May and June are also exciting months for year-end trips and special events. These experiences help build lasting memories and strengthen our school community. We appreciate your support in ensuring students are prepared for these opportunities. Thank you to the volunteers who help to make these trips possible.

Mrs. Stephanie Slaman
Principal

&

Mrs. Denise Horne
Vice Principal

Caught Being Kind Campaign

Our "Caught Being Kind" campaign continues to spread positivity throughout the school! Staff are recognizing students who go out of their way to show kindness, respect, and care for others, and those students receive a ballot to enter into a weekly prize draw. We have been so impressed by the many thoughtful and inclusive actions we are seeing each day - our students are truly looking out for one another and proving that King George School is a safe and inclusive place to be.

We're excited to share that Grand Erie Public Health has now challenged us to reach 1,000 acts of kindness before the end of the school year. If we meet this goal, our school will receive new bike and scooter racks! We know this is an ambitious target, but with the momentum we're seeing, it is absolutely within reach. Let's keep the kindness going!

Welcome to Kindergarten

We are excited to welcome our newest learners and their families to King George! Our *Welcome to Kindergarten* event for students starting Junior Kindergarten this September will take place at the school on **Thursday, May 28 from 3:30–4:30pm**.

This is a wonderful opportunity for children and their families to visit the school, meet our staff, explore the kindergarten classrooms, and begin to feel comfortable and excited about starting school in the fall. Please RSVP to the school if you plan to attend. We can't wait to meet our future King George Cobras!

One Stop Grad Shop

We are proud to partner with the Brantford Police Service to host the **One Stop Grad Shop** at King George! Join us on **Wednesday, May 20 from 4:00–7:00pm** at the school. This special event offers Grade 8 students the opportunity to select a graduation outfit – dresses, suits, and accessories - all at no cost. Our goal is to ensure every student feels confident and celebrated as they prepare for this important milestone. We look forward to supporting our graduates and helping them shine on their big day!

EQAO

Our Grade 3 and Grade 6 students will be participating in the EQAO provincial assessments from **May 25–29**. These assessments provide a snapshot of students' learning in reading, writing, and mathematics and help support ongoing instruction and student success.

Lice

We have recently had a few reported cases of head lice in our school community. Head lice are very common among school-aged children and are not a sign of poor hygiene. They spread through direct head-to-head contact, especially during play and group activities. We ask families to please check their child's hair regularly, especially behind the ears and at the nape of the neck, for signs of live lice or nits (eggs). If lice are found, treatment should begin right away. In Ontario, head lice treatment products may be covered at no cost with a prescription and a valid health card, so please speak with your pharmacist or healthcare provider for support.

Bikes & Scooters

As the weather improves, we are happy to see many students choosing active transportation such as bikes and scooters to travel to school.

A reminder that students who bring bikes or scooters must bring a lock to secure them in the designated outdoor areas, as they are not permitted inside the school. For safety reasons, all students are also expected to wear a helmet when riding to and from school and to adhere to the rules of the road to remain safe.





AT KING GEORGE SCHOOL,
WE VALUE:

- C COURAGE
- O OWNERSHIP
- B BALANCE
- R RESPECT
- A ATTITUDE
- S SPIRIT

COBRAS Values

This month, our focus is on the COBRAS value A = Attitude. A positive attitude means showing up with a willingness to try, learn, and do your best - even when things are challenging. It's about being open-minded, resilient, and helping to create a positive learning environment for everyone.

At King George, we are encouraging students to demonstrate a "can-do" attitude in all areas of school life: in the classroom, on the playground, and in their interactions with others. A positive attitude can make a big difference in both personal success and the success of our school community.

We look forward to recognizing students who are demonstrating outstanding attitude throughout the month!

Rotary Classic Brantford Run

We are excited to share that King George School will once again be participating in the **Rotary Brantford Classic Run**, taking place on **Sunday, June 7, 2026**. We would love to see our students and families join our school team! This annual community event raises funds for children and youth in our area, with a goal of raising over \$45,000 this year. It's a wonderful opportunity for students to stay active, show school spirit, and support a meaningful cause.

All registration is completed online through Race Roster via the event website: www.rotaryclassic.ca (there are no paper registration forms). When registering, participants can select "add to an existing team," choose "school team," and then scroll to find King George. Come join classmates and staff members as we show our support for the community.

We hope many of our students and families will join us for this fun and meaningful community event! For more information, please contact Mr. Medcalf at christopher.medcalf@granderie.ca