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## **Principal**

Jeannette Marry

#### **Office Coordinator**

Helen Maltby

# IMPORTANT

#### **School Bell Times:**

8:50 - Staff Supervision Begins

9:00 - Start time

11:00 - 11:40 - First Break

1:20 - 2:00 - Second Break

3:20 - Dismissal

Students should not be on the playground before 8:50 in the morning, nor remain on the school grounds after dismissal at 3:20.

## **September News**

Welcome Back! The staff at Bellview Public School welcome back students, families and community members to a new school year! We hope that you have had a relaxing and fun-filled summer, and are ready for the exciting learning ahead!

A special welcome to all our new and returning staff, as we look forward to a great year ahead for our student and families working and learning together to make Bellview a great school to be part of!

#### Meet the Bellview Public School Team:

#### Office Staff:

Mrs. Marry – Principal

Mrs. Maltby – Office Co-ordinator

Special Education Staff:

Mrs. Di Donato – LRT

Ms. Jamont – LRT (Half-time)

Ms. Enes - Strategies

**Educational Assistants: Ms. Lentz,** 

Ms. Campbell, Ms. Galbraith,

Ms. Kelly, Ms. Sakaluk, Ms. Karnes,

Ms. Maslin, Ms. Walker, Ms. Zablocki

#### Prep Staff:

Mme Pribeli - French/Prep

Mr. Vervaecke - Prep

Ms. Senko – Library/Prep (Half-time)

#### Classroom Staff:

Ms. Florio/Ms. McKinnon - KG 1

Mr. Gallea / Ms. Domagala – KG 2

Ms. Tully-Herron - Grade 1 / 2

Ms. Miller - Grade 1 / 2

Ms. Gagne - Grade 2 / 3

Ms. Purdy - Grade 3 / 4

Ms. Sinclair - Grade 5

Ms. Hinrichs – Grade 6

Ms. Morris – Grade 7/8

Mr. Pawliwec - Grade 7/8

#### Custodial/Caretaking Staff:

Ms. Sherk - Mornings

Ms. Bond - Afternoons

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Meet the Teacher Thursday, September 12, 2019 4:30-6:00
- P.A. Day (No School for Students) September 13, 2019
- School Pictures October 18, 2019
- Terry Fox Day Coming Soon!
- Orange Shirt Day (Truth and Reconciliation) September 30, 2019

## Information and Reminders...

## **Parking Lots...**

At the 3:20 PM dismissal time, our front and back parking lots are very busy places, with many parents using the accessible parking spot at the front, and pulling in and out of the driveways to gather children. Student safety is our number one concern! Starting this month, the parking lots at the front and back of the school will be for Staff Only, with no admittance during school hours. Access to the parking lots will be blocked from 8:30 – 9:30 AM and then again from 2:30 – 3:30 PM. If you are picking up your child, please park on the side streets near Dorothy, or 10<sup>th</sup> Ave, and walk onto the school grounds to meet your child.

### Absences and Late Arrivals...

Regular school attendance promotes student success, academically, socially and emotionally. It is important that students arrive regularly on time to school, so that they do not miss content, or learning time. Please call the school office to report your child's absence or late arrival. If you are aware of an upcoming appointment, please let the office know in advance.

## **Visiting During School Hours:**

Parents and volunteers are always welcome at Bellview Public School. To maintain the safety of all our students and staff, it is very important that all parents and visitors to the building report to the main office. If you are dropping or picking up your child, or delivering forgotten items, or lunches, please report to the main office, located on the left as you enter the building. Parents and visitors should **NOT** be proceeding directly to classrooms when entering the building. If you need to speak to the classroom teacher about your child, please understand that this can be arranged directly with the teacher, or through the school office. Safety is our shared responsibility!

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#### **Communication:**

During the first week of each month, you should be receiving a classroom and/or school newsletter from your child's teacher. Classroom newsletter will share important information about what your child will be learning, and how you can support your child's learning at home.

Similar to last year, I will be sending home a monthly school based newsletter to share information with parents and guardians. This month, you should receive this in paper form.

However, starting shortly, messages and news from the school will be sent home electronically via email, phone or SMS. School Messenger is a Grand Erie District School App that requires an up-to-date email and phone number in order for you to receive electronic communication from the school office. Please check your child's Registration Form enclosed to update this information.

Classroom and school newsletters will also be posted to the school webpage at:

https://www.granderie.ca/schools/bellview

## School Cash Online

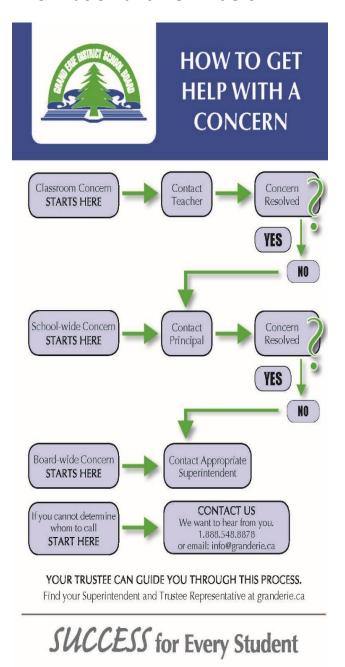
Provides a convenient fee payment option that will save time, reduce paper, maintain a focus on instruction in the classroom, and limit cash and cheques in our school.

This improved efficiency also aligns with the Grand Erie District School Board's strengthened accounting practices.

We have approximately 69% of our families already using School Cash Online. Currently, we have our pizza days paid exclusively using School Cash Online. This month, we will begin moving towards using online payments for all school trips, fundraisers, and other school events.

If you do not currently use School Cash Online, and would like to learn how, please do not hesitate to call Mrs. Maltby or Mrs. Marry if you have specific concerns to share.

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## Message from the Principal

Back to school is an exciting time for students, staff and families. If you have family members or friends who are teachers, you know the work that goes into preparing for back to school starts well before the date arrives.

Each year, staff put in a great deal of time, effort and consideration into organizing classrooms for the arrival of students. An important part of a new school year is student placement, and staffing. The process for this work begins prior to June. When the initial organization of a school is submitted, it is based on current student enrollment and the staffing allocation.

When enrollment increases or decreases at a school, there is a possibility of school re-organization. This can be a difficult situation for students, staff and parents. A school organization can change until mid to late September. If this occurs, please TRUST the school and the staff to make the best possible placement decision for your child(ren). Classroom placements are completed in collaboration with school staff, and are solely school-based decisions. You can also help your child at home, to understand that although change is challenging, it can be overcome by the "helping hands" of home and school working together to support "Success for Every Student!"

Thank you in advance for your commitment to your child's education and success, as we begin a new school year together!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marry

## Want to Volunteer??

Bellview Public School is excited to run Strong Start, a program to help primary students with early reading skills. Strong Start is run entirely by community volunteers. Parents, grandparents, neighbours and community members can all make a difference by playing literacy games with Bellview students.

We are looking for volunteers with 1 hour of free time a week. A free training session will be offered. If interested, please see Mrs. Di Donato, our Learning Resource Teacher (LRT), stop in at the office or call the school.

If you are volunteering at the school in any capacity, you will require a police check (including vulnerable sector) AND proof of AODA certification – for more information follow this link