



MAYWOOD MAD DOGS

September News

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Principal's Message

Mr. G. Osmond

Welcome back! We hope everyone enjoyed a wonderful and relaxing summer vacation and are ready for another year of learning and fun.



We have been busily preparing for the students to arrive, and we look forward to a wonderful year of learning and growing together. You can expect a monthly newsletter from the school and your child's teacher, and I encourage you to read it thoroughly. The information in each issue can assist with planning for the days and weeks ahead.

Feel free to call or visit us at the school at any time. If you need to talk to your teacher please call and arrange an appointment. We value your input and encourage you to become involved in your child's education.

Improvements to Maywood

Many of you have had the opportunity to see all the great improvements to Maywood School. The painting, murals, new playground and our New Parking Lot. We ask all parents to respect the new entry and exit entrances to our parking lot. The lanes are clearly marked to help with the flow of traffic as you enter to drop off your child in the mornings.

Staff Changes

We welcome Miss. Hiscoe, Miss Hauser and Mr. White to our school. Miss Hiscoe will be teaching the grade 5/6 class for the school year for Mrs. Etherington who is on Maternity leave. Miss. Hauser will continue her position until March for Mrs. Flatley. We welcome Mr. White to our school. Mr. White will be teaching the grade 3/4 class until December. Mrs Evangelista will be returning in January to teach grade 3/4.

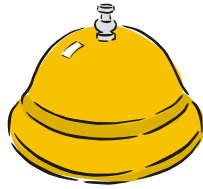
Classroom Organization

Staff List for the 2009-2010 school year.

JK (AM)	Room 19	Mrs.Miles
SK	Room 11	Ms. Rickerby
Grade 1/2	Room 20	Miss Hauser
Grade 2	Room 21	Ms. Doan
Grade 3	Room 32	Mrs. Rossi
Grade 3/4	Room 40	Mr. White
Grade 5/6	Room 41	Miss Hiscoe
Grade 6	Room 45	Mr. Taylor
LRT		Mrs.Cooke-Kendall
Library/Computers		Mr. Schram
French		Madame Culp
Secretary		Mrs. Foxton
Custodian		Mrs. Livingstone
Education Assistants		Ms. Adamyk
		Miss Meredith
		Ms. Beaudoin
Lunch Room		Mrs. Larochelle
Supervisors		Mrs. Curry
Principal		Mr. Osmond

Bell Times

Senior Kindergarten through Grade 6



Entry/Homeroom	8:40 a.m.
Nutritional Break # 1	10:20-11:00
Nutritional Break # 2	12:40- 1:20
Dismissal/Homeroom	3:00 p.m.

JK - AM

8:40 AM (ENTRY)
11:10 AM (DISMISSAL)

It is important to pack nutritional food for your child. It only assists in their ability to learn from the instruction of the teacher. There are two nutritional breaks throughout the day versus the traditional three breaks.

Terry Fox Run

We will be participating in the Terry Fox Run on Friday Sept 25th at 9:00 at Maywood School. Each student will be asked to contribute to this very important event to help keep Terry's dream alive.



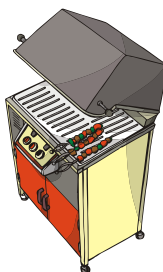
Skating



Pen Financial in partnership with Front Row Sports are collecting skates for Maywood School. Their goal is to provide skates and Helmets to every student from grade 1-6. On Sept 18th we will be trying out our skating abilities at Thorold Arena from 10:30-12:00. We will be asking parents to come along to help tie skates and or help their child on the ice.

Meet the Teacher B.B.Q.

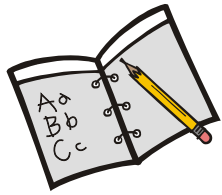
Please come out and join us on September 16th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. to our annual Meet the Teacher B.B.Q. Enjoy a hotdog, hamburg and drink There will be a small charge for these items.



Student Agendas

All students in grades 1-6 have been provided with a student agenda. This is an ideal tool for both organization and communication. We are asking that each student pay **\$5.00** towards the cost of this organizer.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.



Student Absence

If your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the office at 905-685-8451 and let us know. We have an answering machine that it always on.

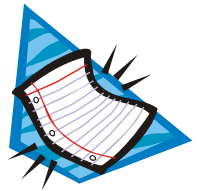
Your child's whereabouts and safety are a great concern to us and knowing that they will be away from school helps us to keep track of all our students.

Forms

The following forms have been sent home with your child, please be sure to complete them promptly and return to your child's teacher.

Student Verification Form - Please use this form to update incorrect information we may have. (Complete both sides) Please sign the form even if all information is correct.

Permission to participate (volunteer drivers and walking excursions) - Please complete both sections of this form.



Early Release Day

Our first early release day will be held on September 25. All students will be dismissed at 11:45 a.m.

School Photos

Student and Class Pictures will be taken on September 29. Our photographer this year will be Pegasus.

Character Education

The Character Trait for September is "Respect".

We will help children to understand that respect means treating others as you would like to be treated, being considerate of others feelings, and recognizing the value of people, property and the environment.

Along with respect for others, we also want to help our students understand how to show respect for themselves- healthy habits for nutrition, fitness, hygiene and self-esteem. As always we invite you to talk about respect with your child at home.

Breakfast Program

Our Breakfast program will be opening up again this year. This program is open to all students at no cost and Mrs. Larochelle provides a nutritious breakfast for our students to begin their day. Registration forms will be sent home shortly.



Milk and Pizza Days

Milk will be sold again this year. Order forms will be coming home and milk will be available on Monday, September 14.



Pizza Days will begin on Tuesday, September 15. Please be sure to get your orders in on time so your child does not miss out. Forms coming this week.

H1N1 Virus

For those who are concerned about the HINI virus the following are steps being exercised.

- ★ We take the health and safety of all of our students seriously, and so we have many programs in place to minimize the spread of viruses
- ★ Our school, along with every school at the DSBN follows an Infection Control Protocol program
- ★ This program keeps students healthy by encouraging proper handwashing techniques as well as cough and sneeze etiquette
- ★ We continue to stress good hygiene practices to stay healthy generally and prevent the spread of the influenza and other infections
- ★ We also have provided every classroom with a bottle of hand sanitizer
- ★ In addition, our caretakers follow a very specific and comprehensive cleaning regimen that ensures all common areas are cleaned each day
- ★ As per standard school practice, all school staff are vigilant for students who are ill and to report any concerns to the principal. Students who are ill should remain at home until they are feeling better.
- ★ More information about H1N1 can be found on our website at www.dsbn.org and click on button that says, "H1N1".
- ★ School Closure: Any decision to close or modify school operations due to an illness will be made by under the advice of Niagara Region Chief Medical Officer of Health and with Board officials.

Medic Alert Program

Each child will be receiving a pamphlet from the Medic Alert entitled "No Child Without".

If your child has a medical condition that someone should be aware of in an emergency then this program is for you.

Please review the pamphlet carefully and if this program could benefit your child, please do not hesitate to enroll, it could save their life.



MCA (Maywood Community Association)

A big hello and welcome back to all our new and returning Maywood families.

Stay tuned for the date of our first meeting of the year. We hope you can all come out and be a part of the Maywood Community and make a difference in the life of Maywood students. Let's all show the students that we care enough to get involved in the decisions that will help shape the attitude of our school spirit, and the quality of their 2009-2010 school year.

Student Accident Insurance

Each year a Student Accident Insurance Plan is made available for all students on a voluntary basis. The plan provides protection for **DENTAL DAMAGE DUE TO ACCIDENTS, FRACTURE BENEFITS AND OTHER IMPORTANT COVERAGES**, which are **NOT** covered under the Provincial Health Plan. Some parents may have Dental Plan coverage through their work but many of these plans are limited in one way or another, while this accident coverage is not. You should compare to make sure you have the coverage you need or desire.

UNDER THE EDUCATION ACT THE BOARD IS NOT PERMITTED TO PROVIDE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR ACCIDENTS TO PUPILS, THEREFORE, the Board recommends consideration of this plan to any parent who wishes to obtain this kind of insurance. Although the policy has all the advantages of a group plan, it is essentially a direct contract between the parent and the insurance company.

Details of these plans are described on the enclosed application form. If you require further information, you may contact **Reliable Life at Box 2046, Hamilton, L8N 9Z9 or call toll free at 1-800-465-0661**. If you wish to subscribe to this insurance, please complete the form and mail it *directly* to Reliable Life Insurance Company in the enclosed stamped envelope immediately, but preferably before September 30th, 2008. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH.** You may also enroll online at www.insuremykids.com