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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are entering a very busy time, as we enter May. EQAO assessments will be beginning for our Grade 3 and Grade 6 students. Staff are busy planning year-end trips. We are preparing for our Grade 8's to Transition to high school and to welcome our new Junior Kindergarten students.

We are beginning once again to plan out of school trips. You will see many of them included in our Weekly Communication and will receive additional details for trips that involve your child (ren). Trips and be valuable learning experiences or celebrations of the learning that has happened. We do not want the cost of a trip to be a barrier to participation for any of our students. **If cost is an issue for participating in a trip, please reach out to your child's teacher or the office directly.**

All families are invited to an **Open House on June 9, 2022, between 4 and 6 pm.** Families will have a chance to tour the building and visit

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council next meeting is on May 17, 2022.

All parents and guardians are welcome to attend. If you are interested in attending please contact the office directly.

Thank you to the community that supported our Pizza Fundraiser almost \$2000 was raised. The School Council has identified Chromebooks and Kindergarten Outdoor equipment as a priority for the funds.

Feel free to contact the School Council co-chairs or the office with questions.

Heather Stortz

Jodie Bartlett



their child(ren)'s classroom(s). School Council will be holding basket raffles and there will a chance for families to pre-order some pizza. Please hold the date and look for details in the near future.

Please check out the rest of the newsletter for other important updates and information.



APRIL AWARD WINNERS

Mrs. Chrastina & Mrs. Belvedere-Clarke H., Audrey H., and Riley V.

Mrs. Teather & Mrs. Rossi – Tatum B. and Nischay K.

Mrs. Hall & Mrs. Leveille – Isaac S., and Clara P.

Mrs. Kurland- Ivy K., and Izzy R.

Mrs. Fairchild – Farrah S., Alyssa V., and Ella P.

Mrs. Downs – Fergus M., & Elise V.

Mr. Side – Hunter L., Ariel M., and Parker S.

Ms. Moore – Harley E.

Mr. Stewart – Maisie M., Hayden L., and Athena M.I.

Mr. Mako – Sophie L., and Lia W.

Mr. Mueller – Brandon T., Callum M., and Aataijah L.

Ms. Gamm- Alyssa F., Alyssia I., Aliyah T., and Lilly C.

Mrs. Furtney – Nate B., Maddie L., and Maggie L.

Mr. Medhurst - Shannon G., & Jamie L.

Mr. Campbell - Eva B., & Sarah A. (Fr.)

Mrs. Coote – Addy G., William G., Jaxson B. (Fr.), and Hudson B. (Fr)

Mrs. Hyatt - Hayden W. (Fr.), Charlie S., and Daniel G.



KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

We are hosting an Open House for our new JK Registrants and their families on **May 12th**. If you have a child entering JK next year and haven't registered for the Open House please contact the school directly.

Our Kindergarten registration remains open! And we're hoping you can help us share the news by telling your friends and family that they can now register their child for Kindergarten, for a September 2022 start. Online registration is at:

www.dsnb.org/Kindergarten!





May is Vision Health Month

Visual health is an important part of a child's overall health and well-being. Proper vision is important for a child's movement and coordination, independence, play and learning. If left untreated, vision problems may become serious and prevent a child from reaching their full potential.

[The Eye See...Eye Learn®](#) program encourages parents to book a comprehensive eye exam for their junior or senior kindergarten child with a [local, participating optometrist](#). The eye exam is covered by OHIP and children may qualify for a complimentary pair of eyeglasses. A yearly eye exam is FREE – the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) covers the cost of an eye exam every 12 months for children up to the age of 19 with a valid OHIP card. Find an eye doctor near you. Also, contact an eye doctor if you see ANY of these signs:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Squinting or holding objects close to the eyes | <input type="checkbox"/> One eye that turns out or in |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blinking often | <input type="checkbox"/> Rubbing, tearing, itchy or burning eyes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turning or tilting the head to the side often | <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting blurry or double vision |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Covering or closing one eye | <input type="checkbox"/> Reporting headaches, nausea or eye strain |

For more information on vision screening, please visit

<https://www.niagararegion.ca/health/schools/vision-screening.aspx>.

Reporting your child's vaccines

Routine vaccinations are an important step in keeping children and youth healthy. Public Health is required to keep records of each student's immunization status to protect them in the event of an outbreak of a preventable disease.

Parents, legal guardians and students aged 16 and over are responsible for reporting directly to Public Health. Please report your child's immunization every time they receive a vaccine. Even if your child's vaccinations are up-to-date, the information may not have been reported to Public Health. A vaccination record is either an immunization record (such as a yellow card) or a valid exemption form.

Niagara Region Public Health School Health Newsletter [Find out which vaccinations are required and recommended for children attending school](#). Please note that at this time, we ask that you do not report any COVID-19 or influenza (flu) vaccination details.

Every time your child receives a vaccine, be sure to report it:

- Online at www.niagararegion.ca/vaccines By phone: 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505- 6074 ext. 7425 or Fax: 905-688-8225

COVID-19 Update

The COVID-19 vaccine is the best line of defense for preventing the spread of COVID-19 in schools and protecting our entire community. [Public Health clinics](#) are **currently accepting walk-ins** for first, second or third / [booster doses](#)

If you or your child are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 or have tested positive on a PCR or rapid antigen test, please review [guidance on self-isolation](#).

Helpful links and resources: [Schools & Child Care During COVID-19](#)
[Frequently asked questions](#) [COVID-19 Vaccination in children and youth](#)

Additional fact sheets in [multiple languages](#) ID-19 Info-line Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074, press 7

[Chat online](#) in 90 different languages with auto-translate

Information on COVID-19 and vaccine eligibility is available on Niagara Region Public Health's [website](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).



TRACK AND FIELD

Glynn A Green will be holding our **Track and Field Meet on May 17th** (raindates 18th and 19). Students in grades 3 to 8 can participate. Students will be registering for their events by May 11, 2022.

Parents and guests will be able to view from designated areas of the field. Details will come out shortly about the format of the day. Students that qualify will be invited to participate in the **Zone Meet on June 6, 2022**.



POSITIVE PARENTING PROGRAM (Triple P)

[Niagara Parents](#) is happy to introduce Primary Care Triple P (Positive Parenting Program)!

Primary care is a very private and quick way to get positive parenting support that targets the exact parenting concern or issue you are having. Primary Care Triple P is for parents of children from 2-12 years of age.

This service focuses on one specific issue or topic.

- Parent(s) will meet with a Triple P provider about four times.
- Each session usually takes between 15-30 minutes.

To learn more about Primary Triple P, you may visit:

https://www.triplep.net/files/2515/2886/8097/ENG_Primary_Care_Triple_P_LTR.pdf

To register for Primary Triple P, you may do so by visiting:

<https://www.niagararegion.ca/parents/courses/default.aspx>

OPEN HOUSE

All families are invited to an **Open House on June 9, 2022, between 4 and 6 pm**. Families will have a chance to tour the building and see visit their child(ren)'s classroom(s).

Over the last few years, families have not had a chance to visit the building and see where their child(ren) learn. We look forward to building back that sense of community moving forward.

School Council will be holding basket raffles and there will a chance for families to pre-order some pizza. Please hold the date and look for details in the near future.



SEPTEMBER 2022

We are currently working on our organization for September 2022. Glynn A Green is a fast growing community. We are receiving new registration each month and our school population is growing.

We are projected to have 425 students registered for September. As a result we will be forming some additional classroom and hiring some additional teaching staff. We are currently working through the annual spring staffing process to create our classroom organization.

We will use this organization to create draft class lists. In September, we confirm our enrolment numbers and confirm our organization. If we experience significant changes in enrolment, it may lead to a September re-organization.

CLASS PLACEMENTS

We're already looking ahead to the new school year and will soon begin the process of organizing next year's classes. In developing our new class structure, our goal is to ensure your children have an outstanding educational experience and the opportunity to develop lasting friendships with their classmates.

Much like a family, our classes work best when they include members of differing interests, abilities and perspectives. This gives students the opportunity to learn from and about each other. These experiences help to open students' minds to new ideas and new possibilities, allowing them to test limits and develop their true potential.

To do this, it's important for us to look at a number of factors, including:

Learning Style: We consider how students learn best and what kind of classroom environment will best support their needs.

Ability, Interests and Talents: All children are unique and have their own set of strengths and abilities. Having a grouping of students whose strengths complement each other will help enhance everyone's learning.

Relationships: We aim to create groups that allow for strong friendships to develop and an environment for effective learning.

Parent Input: As parents, you have a unique perspective on your children and their school experience. If you have any information that could help inform our decision please email to my attention todd.halliday@dsbn.org.

Your input will be considered in relation to the criteria listed above.

Thanks for your support!

Our plan is to email families with the students' first class placement the week before school begins (week of August 29th). We appreciate your patience as we deal with a fluid situation.

EQAO ASSESSMENT

Students in Grade 3 and 6 will be taking part in the provincial Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, Primary Division (Grades 1–3). This assessment is administered to all Grade 3 students in Ontario’s publicly funded school system by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), an independent agency of the Government of Ontario.

This assessment includes a language and mathematics component, along with a student questionnaire and an introductory session that includes a sample test for students. The purpose of the introductory session is to familiarize students with the e-assessment platform and the types of assessment questions. During the assessment, students will complete four language sessions that range from 15 to 35 minutes each, and four mathematics stages that each take about 30 minutes to complete. Additional time will be allowed for any students requiring it. The administration of the stages and sessions may be spread out in the assessment window. The specific session dates have been shared out to our Grade 3 and 6 families.

EQAO assessment questions are directly based on the expectations set out in The Ontario Curriculum, which is what teachers teach in the classroom every day. Therefore, children do not need to prepare in any special way. Students will complete the assessment in their regular classrooms with their current teachers and are simply encouraged to do their best and show what they know.

In the fall, EQAO will share individual reports with us for all our students. Families of students that participated will receive their child’s confidential report. These reports will give families an indication of their achievement in relation to Ontario’s provincial standard. The standard, or Level 3, represents the range from B– to B+. The results of the assessment do not affect children’s grades or report card in any way. They do, however, give you information about the child’s progress. We will also share the school, board and provincial results with the community.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan accordingly.

Victoria Day

May 23, 2022

PD Day

June 10, 2022



Grade 8

Graduation

















June 27 @ 6:30 pm



The complete 2021-2022 Elementary School Calendar is available online: <https://www.dsbns.org/calendars>

May 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Day 7	3 Day 8 Gr. 8 Crossley Visit 	4 Day 9 IT'S MARY'S DAY MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU 	5 Day 10 Virtual Isaac Murdoch Presentation	6 Day 1  Gr 6 EQAO Session	7
8	9 Day 2 Gr 6 EQAO Session	10 Day 3  Gr 6 EQAO Session	11 Day 4  Gr 6 EQAO Session	12 Day 5 Open House Gr 6 EQAO Session Kindergarten Open House	13 Day 6  Gr 6 EQAO Session	14
15	16 Day 7 Gr 3 EQAO Session 	17 Day 8  Safety Village Trip 1K, 1F Track and Field School Council	18 Day 9  Safety Village Trip 1/2, 2/3 Gr 3 EQAO Session	19 Day 10  Gr 6 EQAO Session	20 Day 1	21
22	23 Victoria Day	24 Day 2  Gr 3 EQAO Session	25 Day 3  Gr 3 EQAO Session	26 Day 4  Gr 6 EQAO Session	27 Day 5  Gr 6 EQAO Session	28
29	30 Day 6 Gr 3 EQAO Session Gr 6 EQAO Session 	31 Day 7  Gr 3 EQAO Session Gr 6 EQAO Session		June 9 Open House K-8	Open House	

