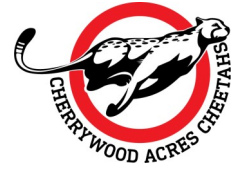




Cherrywood Chatter

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Ms. S. Cocco, Principal

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Staff Message



Happy New Year to our Cheetah families and community.

Wishing your 2019 will be filled with wonder, excitement and well being!



School resumes	Jan. 7
P.A. Day: No School	Jan. 18
Safe School Arrival: Attendance reporting system goes LIVE	Jan. 21
Hot Dog Day	Jan. 22
Kindergarten Open House	Jan. 31
Parent Council	Jan. 31

Fitness Breaks During The



Our winter weather is here. Please ensure that your child wears appropriate clothing for the weather, as students will be outdoors for both fitness breaks.

Sometimes parents will send a note requesting that their child remain indoors because they are sick, however, if a student is ill, the best place for your child is to be at home. Please note that should the wind-chill be -15°C , or lower, students remain indoors. We always pay attention to any Niagara Region Public Health ADVISORY reports.

Agenda Items

Please keep informed by reading your child's AGENDA for any up coming classroom/school news! It is that time of the school year when we are requesting that each child bring a box of Kleenex to their child's classroom. Also, time to stock up on pencils and pens and those glue sticks. In order to help with outside wet weather situations, we would request that parents send along an extra pair of pants and socks for storage in their child's locker, just in case. It can become a disruption to your child's instructional day and an inconvenience to parents to be interrupted during their work day to bring a pair of pants to school.

Kindergarten Kick Start

Kindergarten OPEN HOUSE registration day is Thursday, January 31st, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. If you live within the **Cherrywood Acres Public School** area and have a **child born in 2015**, he/she is eligible to attend our full day **Kindergarten** program beginning September, 2019.

Please note that copies of proof of age by **Birth Certificate** or **Birth Registration** and proof of **Immunization** are required to complete registration. We will also require a proof of address, such as a recent utility bill or driver's license, so that we may confirm that Cherrywood Acres Public School is your home school. Your address (where you and your child reside) is critical to the registration process. Please note that an address of a grandparent, child care provider, etc. cannot be used to register your child.

Also, please bring your Kindergarten child with you when you come to register at the school.
See you on Thursday, January 31st!

You are also welcome to download, complete and print the **REGISTRATION FORM** and **IMMUNIZATION FORM** by clicking on the Kindergarten link on our website

<http://cherrywood.dsbm.org> or **DSBN website www.dsbm.org**. Bring your completed forms with you for a speedier registration. We can't wait to see you!



SafeArrival

SafeArrival goes live at Cherrywood on January 21st!

SafeArrival is a new absence management system that improves student safety and makes it easy for you to let the school know about your child's absence.

Information letters were sent home on January 8th detailing the system and how to register. If the letter did not make it home to you, please contact the office and we will be happy to send home an additional copy.

If you have not provided us with an email address, you may do so by contacting Mrs. Sielicki by calling 905-356-2801 prior to Thursday, January 17th. **You will be able to set up your account by visiting the Safe Arrival site via the link which will be available on our school website: <http://cherrywood.dsbm.org>, after January 17th.**

French Immersion: Grade 1 Entry

Attention parents and guardians of Senior Kindergarten students: Registration for the French Immersion program (starting September 2019) offered at Prince Philip School (3112 Dorchester Road, Niagara Falls) is open to all students in Year 2 (Senior) Kindergarten. If you want your child to develop a high proficiency and fluency in Canada's two official languages, French Immersion has a great deal to offer.

FEATURES OF THE FRENCH IMMERSION PROGRAM:

- *Development of French language skills in speaking, listening, reading and writing from Grades one to twelve;
- *Designed to be a second-language program for children whose first language is NOT French;
- *Current enrolment of over 2,000 elementary students;
- *Certificate of French Immersion Studies awarded upon successful completion of the elementary and secondary immersion programs;
- *Opportunity to challenge the Diplôme d'études de langue française (DELF) exam in Grade 12 ;
- *Promotes understanding of different cultures;
- *Provides additional opportunities for employment using French as the working language;
- *Increased ability to communicate and interact with confidence in French.



Registration will open January 7th, 2019

For more information about French Immersion in the District School Board of] Niagara visit www.dsbn.org/fi or speak to your school principal.

A Parent Information evening will be held on Wednesday, January 9th at Prince Philip Public School from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

Valentine's Day Cake Raffle

Save the Date!

We will be having our annual cake raffle, on Valentine's Day - Thursday, February 14. We are looking for families to donate cakes/cupcakes for the event. **All items must be nut free please.** More information will follow.



Inclement Weather Procedures

There may be times during the school year where inclement weather or other situations could cause transportation cancellations or school closures.

At times when student transportation has been cancelled and schools remain open, the decision of whether or not to have children in school on that day rests with the parent or guardian.

Should you decide not to send your child to school in the event that transportation has been cancelled and schools are open, or if your child is ill or late, please ensure that you call the school to inform us of their absence.

A key resource in any emergency is the DSBN Emergency Information for that you filled out at the beginning of the school year. Please let the school know of any changes in contact information or procedures you wish to be followed throughout the school year.

Information about transportation cancellations and school closures will be available as soon as it is available through the following channels ...

Websites:

<http://dsbn.org/inclementweather/>
www.nsts.ca

Subscription Features:

DSBN Facebook or Twitter
NSTS Transportation Delay of Cancellation Alerts

Phone:

Niagara Student Transportation Services 905-346-0290 Voice Auto Attendance

Radio Stations:

CKTB (610 AM) ... St. Catharines	CHRE (105.7 FM) St. Catharines
WAVE (94.7) Hamilton	CHTZ-FM (97.7 FM) St. Catharines
CKOC (1150 AM) Hamilton	2DayFM (105.1) Niagara Falls/Fort Erie
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CHCH—Hamilton	CTV Toronto
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