



Cherrywood Chatter

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Ms. S. Cocco, Principal

May 2020

Principal's Message

WOW...it's hard to believe that May is here. April was a month full of changes and challenges that none of us could have ever anticipated or imagined. Despite the challenges, we are adjusting to a new way of living and learning.

During the month of May, we will continue teaching and learning with the online learning platform. I am amazed at the amount of effort many of you are putting into this as a family. This is no easy task as families strive to balance parent work, staying connected with family outside of your home, and supporting learning from home.

Our staff are working hard to provide their students with engaging, curriculum-based learning tasks and feedback to challenge their thinking and move their learning forward.

Remember we are to help with anything that might be posing a challenge at home in this process. If there are any questions you have or anything you need to help make on-line learning easier for your child, please let us know.

If you need to connect with the school, please either send an email to cwd@dsbn.org or call and leave a message (905) 355-2801. Both the email and phone messages are checked daily.

Ms. Cocco



Cinco de Mayo May 5



Mother's Day May 10



Spirit Week May 11-15
See details on next page!

Victoria Day May 17



Eid-al-Fitr May 24



OUR HEROS SPIRIT WEEK: MAY 11 - 15

Monday 11th

BRIGHTEN IT UP DAY!

Brighten the day of our HEALTH CARE, EMERGENCY, and ESSENTIAL SERVICE WORKERS by wearing NEON or BRIGHT COLOURS

Send a picture to your teacher or cwd@dsbn.org

Tuesday 12th

HATS OFF TO HEROS

We would like to 'tip our hats' and say 'THANK YOU' to our FRONT LINE, EMERGENCY, and ESSENTIAL SERVICE WORKERS by wearing a hat today

Send a picture to your teacher or cwd@dsbn.org

Wednesday 13th

CREATE A POSTER ... TO SAY

**THANK
YOU!**

HANG IT UP IN YOUR WINDOW

Thursday 14th

SHOUT OUT DAY

Call a family member (Grandparent, Aunt, Uncle, Cousin) and share with them how you have CELEBRATED OUR HEALTHCARE, EMERGENCY, AND ESSENTIAL SERVICE WORKERS.

Friday 15th

SUPERHERO DAY

DRESS LIKE A SUPERHERO TO SUPPORT OUR LOCAL HEALTHCARE, EMERGENCY, AND ESSENTIAL SERVICE WORKERS.

Send a picture to your teacher or cwd@dsbn.org

GRADUATION

Grade 8 Graduation is tentatively scheduled for June 19th.

Please note that we are continuing our planning in hopes that we can continue with our Grade 8 Graduation celebration. This is subject to change based on information and direction we receive from our Board, in collaboration with Public Health guidelines and recommendations.

PIZZA & STORE TICKETS



Your pizza and store tickets never expire!
If you have purchased store ticket you child will
be able to use them when we return to school!



Planning for the 2020-2021 School Year

In order to assist us with making the best decisions possible with respect to class organization and student placements for the 2020/2021 school year, we would appreciate if you would let the office know by sending an email to cwd@dsbn.org or calling 905-356-2801 if your family is planning to move in the next few months. Providing us with this information in the spring will also facilitate transportation arrangements for September. We thank you in advance for keeping us informed!



**TURN UP YOUR FAVOURITE
MUSIC & HAVE A FAMILY DANCE
PARTY!!**

MENTAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING SUPPORTS

If you have any concerns about your child's mental health or well-being, please connect with your child's teacher. Although we are not in our school building, there are still many supports we can offer.

How can I access mental health support in the community?

1. Pathstone Mental Health has closed its walk-in clinics until further notice. For immediate support, parents and students may phone the Pathstone Mental Health Crisis and Support Line at 1-800-263-4944.
2. Support from Kids Help Phone can be accessed by calling 1-800-668-6868, texting CONNECT to 686868, or live chatting at www.kidshelpphone.ca
3. Youth Wellness Hub Niagara: facebook.com/ywhniagara
4. Canadian Mental Health Niagara: cmhaniagara.ca/ourservices/immediate-services/walk-in-counselling

How can I support myself and my family in coping during COVID-19?

The National Association of School Psychologists has provided a link with tips for talking to your kids about COVID-19.

- [A Parent Resource: Talking to Children about COVID-19 \(Coronavirus\)](#)
- [Supporting Kids During the COVID-19 Crisis](#)
- [Video: How to Talk to Kids About the Coronavirus](#)
- [Mental Health and COVID-19.](#)

The District School Board of Niagara is working closely with Niagara Public Health on Coronavirus (COVID-19) communication to ensure students and their families receive relevant and timely information to keep them healthy. If you would like information, please use the following contacts:

Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Info Line

905-688-8248 ext. 7330

Toll free: 1-888-505-6074