

Cherrywood Chatter



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WE are off to a Great Start!
Thank you to all students, families,
and staff for making our September a
great start to the school year!

Let's keep it going!

An essential way you can maximize valuable learning experiences is to maintain regular attendance. Missing 2 days of school each month is equivalent to missing a full month, over the school year, and can cause gaps in learning. It is also important to develop routines to ensure students arrive on time each day. Students arriving late are missing valuable learning experiences. Being late 10 minutes each day will result in 30 hours of lost learning time for the year.

MORNING SNACK

Our morning snack program is up and running! Each morning students have an opportunity to select a healthy snack from their classroom snack bin. A huge thank you to Mrs. Hillhouse for coordinating the purchase of the snacks.

A special shout out to the students in Mrs. Durrant's class for distributing & collecting the snack bin each morning!



Mark Your Calendars

Orange Shirt Day	Oct. 1
Grade 7 Immunizations	Oct. 4
P.A. Day: No School	Oct. 5
Thanksgiving: No School	Oct. 8
Picture Day	Oct. 9
Hot Dog Day	Oct. 16
DSBN Cross Country Meet	Oct. 16
Grade 7 & 8 Leadership Day ...	Oct. 19
Dress in Purple Day	Oct. 24
Halloween & Dance-a-thon	Oct. 31

PA DAY

Friday, October 5th has been Designated as a PA Day for the District School Board of Niagara.

No School for students.

Staff are involved in professional learning throughout the day.



Cheetah Pride!

CO-ED SOCCER

INTERMEDIATE TEAM

Congratulations goes out to our Intermediate Co-ed soccer team. The tournament was held on September 21st at the Niagara United Soccer Club. The team had a great day and enjoyed some excellent competition. The team opened up the tournament with a 1-0 (default) win to Valley Way Public School. Next up for the Cheetahs was Martha Cullimore Public School. Unfortunately, we missed some glorious scoring opportunities and ending up losing 2-0. The last round robin game was against Princess Margaret Public School and the final score in this game was 2-0 for Cherrywood. Both Dylan J and Josh W scored goals in this game. We advanced to the semi-finals and lost to the eventual tournament

Champions, Stevensville Public School by a score of 3-0. Our team had the success that they did thanks to the strong defensive charge that was led by our goalkeeper Charli D, and the rest of our team that included: Josh W, Nick K, Adam H, Leland B, Dylan J, Jacob S, Mudasir A, Jessica G, Jaiden G, Liberty R, Nancy D and Brianna G. All of our players had a very strong tournament and everyone contributed to the teams success both on and off the field. Way to go Cherrywood you have made your school very proud! A special thank-you to all of our parent drivers, who not only transported our students but also stayed the day (in the rain) to cheer us on! Mr. Folino, Mrs. Corapi and Mrs. Jaynes are very proud of you all!

JUNIOR TEAM

Congratulations goes out to the Junior Co-ed soccer team. The team had an excellent day of soccer at their tournament, held on Friday September 28th, 2018 at Niagara United Soccer Club's outdoor turf complex. The team opened up the tournament with a 1-0 win against Victoria Public School. Next up for the Cheetahs was Simcoe Public School and the players did not disappoint the fans and came away with a 3-1 win. The last round robin game was against Martha Cullimore Public School and the team played a hard fought game and the game ended in a 0-0 tie. With 7 points Cherry finished in first place. In the semi-finals, we played Greendale Public School and won 1-0. In the finals, the team played Martha Cullimore again and unfortunately this time we lost by a score of 1-0. Leading the way for the Cheetahs was Levi with 2 goals, and single goals came from Eloise, Thomas and Marc. It was an awesome on field performance by the rest of the team that included, Eli, Michael, Brennan, Kane, Cooper, Courtney, Sierra, Aynslee, Katie, Siena, Sara and Allyson. All of our players had a very strong tournament and everyone contributed to the teams success both on and off the field. Way to go Cherrywood you have made your school very proud! A special thank-you to all of our parent drivers who cheered us on throughout the day! Mr. Folino, Mrs. Corapi and Mrs. Jaynes are very proud of you all! Congratulations!



A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Mrs. Vaccaro for convening both Niagara Falls junior tournaments.

CROSS COUNTRY

Congratulations to all students who represented Cherrywood at the first Cross Country meet on Wednesday, September 26! All runners finished their races strongly and we were pleased to see our Cheetahs cheering each other on throughout the afternoon. Good luck at the next meet October 3! A special thank you to Mrs. McDonald and Ms. Sinclair for coaching.

TERRY FOX

On September 21st, the students and staff at Valley Way participated in the Terry Fox walk. We had a great time raising funds for such a great cause. Terry Fox hoped that each Canadian would donate one dollar to cancer research. The students brought in \$300 for the Terry Fox Foundation. Thank you to our community for your support for this worthwhile charity.



We were also a stop on the Cops for Cancer Tour de Golden Horseshoe event. The Police officers cycled 400 km over 4 days to raise awareness for childhood cancer. Their message to our students was the importance of treating everyone with kindness and respect.

Coming Soon...

Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test

All Grade 4 students will take the Canadian Cognitive Abilities Test during the period of October 9 and 22, 2018. This assessment helps to identify individual student needs and abilities to ensure appropriate programs are provided as well as information about student strengths in verbal, quantitative, and non-verbal reasoning. The assessment provides a benchmark as students complete future achievement tests, whether these tests are teacher-generated, board-wide or provincial.

Dress Purple Day

The DSBN has joined the commitment to Dress Purple to support Child Abuse Prevention Month. October is Child Abuse Prevention Month and Wednesday, October 24, 2018 is Dress Purple Day, a provincial day of action when students and staff are encouraged to wear purple and show your support for child abuse prevention. On Wednesday, October 24, DSBN will be recognizing Wear Purple Day

Hallowe'en Dance-a-thon

We will be celebrating Hallowe'en on Wednesday, October 31st, students (Kindergarten to Grade 8), staff and parents are encouraged to dress for Hallowe'en. Costumes depicting blood and gore and any type of weaponry are best used during Hallowe'en evening and not permitted at school. Please consider this when purchasing or creating costumes.

We will hold a Dance-a-thon throughout the day. Students are encouraged to collect donations which will help to support our the purchase of classroom resources, special presentation and events. More details and pledge forms will be sent home in mid-October! Prizes will be awarded to the top 3 fundraisers!

Parents are invited to grab a lawn chair, Tim Horton's, William's or Starbuck's tea/ coffee/hot chocolate and find a space on the tarmac and enjoy our parade or even consider joining us! We will begin our parade (for Kindergarten to Grade 6 only) at 1:50 p.m. **Students are encouraged to arrive at school, in the morning, dressed in their costume.** Please inform your child's teacher if you do not participate in Hallowe'en and an alternate activity will be provided.

Students in the Intermediate Division will attend the Dance-a-thon during the costume parade.



GRADE 8 STUDENTS & PARENTS...

At DSBN high schools, students are the stars!

From November 26-29, see all the opportunities schools offer to help students achieve success and #Instafame.

Visit DSBN.org/highschoolopenhouses for a full list of dates and times for DSBN high school open houses.

See you on the red carpet!

Tuesday, November 27th at 6:00 p.m.

Stamford Collegiate Secondary

Wednesday, November 28th at 6:30 p.m.

Westlane Secondary

Thursday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m.

A.N. Myer Secondary



All students are required to register at their home school, which is based on your current address.

If you require clarification regarding your child's home Secondary School, please call Ms. Cocco.

Cheetah Family

School/Parent Council

Our first meeting of the year was held on September 24th, during which Executive elections took place. Thank you to all parents who attended. It was great to see some new faces! Our executive for the 2018-19 school year is:

Chair: Mrs. Corrie Clare

Treasurer: Ms. Kirstie Jarvis

Co-chair: Mrs. Gillian Barclay

Secretary: Ms. Sam Casagrande

BINGO Chair: Mrs. Meghan Mills



Our next Council meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 8th in our Learning Commons from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. All parents are welcome to attend.

Cherrywood Acres T-Shirts

Join in the Cheetah Spirit by purchasing a school t-shirt!



Red Shirt & White Logo
Sample sizes available
in the office

T-shirts are just \$5 and are available in all children and adult sizes.
(Sample sizes are available at the office).

Ordering on-line fast and easy!!!

<http://cherrywood.dsbm.org>

or

Bring in your order forms and money. Order forms have been sent home!
orders due by Thursday, October 4th.

PIC CONFERENCE

Registration for this year's PIC Conference is only available online. If you are interested in attending this worthwhile event, and are unable to register online or need some support in doing so, please stop by the office and we will support you in registering for this amazing evening of information.

Calling all parents & caregivers

IT'S TIME TO SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, November 7, 2018
4pm to 8:15pm at Eden High School
535 Lake Street, St. Catharines

Join us for an evening of learning & FREE workshops!

Mark your calendar for the 2018 DSBM Parent Involvement Conference, at Eden High School in St. Catharines. Join us for an evening of free workshops for parents and caregivers of DSBM students of all ages.
For more information about the event visit www.dsbm.org/plc



Early Bird Draw!
Register before October 3, 2018
and you could WIN \$500 of support
for your School and School Council!