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Cheetah Chatter

Cherrywood Acres Public School



From the desk of Mrs. Baggs

It doesn't seem possible that June is here and we are in our final month of school. We have had a busy year working towards our literacy goals here at Cherrywood. With such a dedicated staff, I am pleased to see us working together to create the best classes possible for our students.

It is time to say farewell to our Grade 8 graduates as they move on to Secondary School. We wish them much success in the future. As well we have staff members who will be leaving Cherrywood at the end of the year: Miss Johnson, Miss Darling, Ms Keating, Miss Stouffer, Mrs. Warden, Miss Pagano, and Miss Derstine. Our best wishes

and thanks for your dedication to our students. As well we wish Mrs. McDonald all the best with her new baby, due over the summer. Mrs. McDonald will be off next year.

We welcome new staff members Mr. McNaughton and Mrs. Rocca to our school for next September

Have a safe and enjoyable summer!
See you September 8th.



Important Dates 2009/10

- September 8: 1st Day of Classes
- September 25: Early Release Day
- October 9: PA Day
- October 12: Thanksgiving Day
- November 13: PA Day
- December 4: 1/2 PA Day (afternoon)
- December 21 - January 4: Christmas Holidays
- January 5: First day of class after holiday
- February 12: Early Release Day
- February 15: Family Day
- March 15 - 19: March Break
- April 2: Good Friday
- April 5: Easter Monday
- April 21: 1/2 PA Day (afternoon)
- May 24: Victoria Day
- June 29: Last Day of Classes



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June 2009

Special points of interest:

- ☺ Talent Show, Wed., June 10th 11:30 am
- ☺ Last Day of School is Wed, June 24th regular dismissal times.
- ☺ Report Cards home on Tues., June 23
- ☺ Please return page 3 of the Report Card signed Wed., June 24th
- ☺ Final Assembly Wed., June 24th at 9:00 am
- ☺ Playday K-6 Wed., June 24th at 1:30 pm
- ☺ Graduation for Gr. 8 is Tues. June 23rd (a letter with all details will be sent home with the gr. 8's)

Supplies for September

We will be creating a list of supplies that students will need to go home with the report cards. This is for parents to have so that you can take advantage of the sales in back to school supplies.

For next year, **ALL** students will be required to wear running shoes to participate in

physical education classes. It is a good idea to leave running shoes at school for this purpose, since wet shoes are unsafe in the gym and will not be allowed.

Running shoes make great indoor shoes, which help to keep the classroom environment cleaner for our students

throughout the day. Thank you for your help in this matter.



A Message from the Director of Education

It's hard to believe another school year will soon come to a close. This has truly been an amazing year, and I want to thank all students for your enthusiasm and hard work. Before you leave for summer vacation, I would like to ask one small favour. Wherever you are or whatever you do this summer, please take some time to read.

Books, magazines and graphic novels are amazing things, they can take you anywhere; to another country, planet, or to another place in time. This summer, enjoy the wonderful weather, spend time with your family and friends, but please, make some time to read, you'll be amazed by where you end up.

Have a wonderful summer!



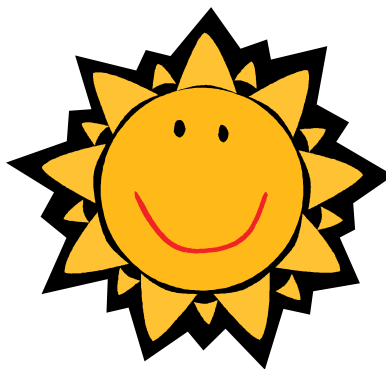
Warren Hoshizaki, Director of Education



Healthy Kids

It's that time of year again when hay fever and allergies are becoming more prominent. That means runny noses, sneezes and coughs. While we can't prevent students or staff from getting sick, we can all do our part to make sure that germs don't spread to others. At Cherrywood Public School we will continue disinfecting our desks, door handles and commonly used areas every day.

We also have new Purell stations for students to clean their hands after sneezing or coughing. For a fun and interactive presentation that has more tips and tricks to keep yourself and your children healthy throughout the year, please log on to the DSBN website at www.dsbn.org/planet/infectious_diseases/.



Are you moving this summer?

Please let the office know your new address.

Do you have a child between the ages of 4 and 6?

If so, please take a moment to ensure that your child's immunizations are up-to-date and that he/she has received:

- ◆ a booster dose of diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus and polio (DPTP/Quadracel) between the ages of 4 and 6; and,
- ◆ a second dose of the measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine.

If your child has **not** yet received these vaccines, your child can be

immunized for free at one of our Public Health Immunization clinics. Please call 905-688-8248 for more information and/or to schedule an appointment. You can also call your child's doctor to make an immunization appointment or visit a local walk-in clinic. If you are a parent/guardian not wishing to immunize your child, you can submit to us a notarized Statement of Conscience/Religious Belief Affidavit.

Niagara Region Public Health is required by law to have an Immunization Record on file for every child attending a school in the Ni-

agara region. Having this information on file helps us to protect all children in the event of an infectious disease outbreak.

Please report your child's immunization(s) to Niagara Region Public Health using ONE of the following:

INTERNET:

www.niagararegion.ca

TELEPHONE (Immunization Report Line): 905-688-8248

FAX (a copy of your child's Immunization Record): 905-688-8225

REPORT CARDS



Final reports will be sent home Tuesday, June 23rd. This will enable parents to return the response form (page 3) before noon on Friday, June 26th. This page is an official document which we are required to file in the Ontario Student Record, so please be sure to sign and return it.

YEAR END AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Our final assembly for the 2008-09 school year will be on Wednesday, June 24th at 9:00 a.m. at which time we will celebrate the achievements of our students. Please join us.



Changes At Cherrywood

The staffing process is almost complete for the fall season. At this time of the year we are planning on the following grades and teachers.

JK/SK Mrs. Power & Mr. Folino

Gr 1 Mrs. McDonald

Gr 1/2 Mrs. Walvius

Gr 2 Ms Brumby

Gr 3 Mrs. Zelic

Gr 3/4 Mrs. Illich

Gr 4/5 Miss Rutherford

Gr 5/6 Mr. Smith

Gr 7 Mrs. Corapi

Gr 8 Mr. McNaughton

SEBE Miss Hall

French Mrs. Rocca

LRT Mrs. Brooks

Mrs. Vaccaro will be our ISP teacher and provide class coverage

Our EAs and CCW are Mrs Salvatore, Miss McKnight, Mrs Hamill and Mrs. White.

All staffing is based on our enrolment now and may change in the fall if enrolment changes.

Literacy Corner

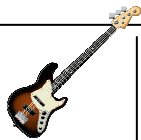
We encourage all of our students to continue reading throughout the summer. The Niagara Falls Public Libraries have wonderful programs to encourage reading. For those who meet the reading challenge at the library, there is a free end of summer party and movie. Check it out at the library. Challenge yourself to complete a certain number of books

and "Go for it!" Reading is a great activity to do on a rainy or hot day.

Just Read for the love of it.



Talent Show



We will be celebrating some of the talent here at Cherrywood on June 10th. Students who want to share their talent will need to sign up for a tryout. We may need to limit our participants, since the show is only 1 hour. Tryouts will happen the first week in June.

Hope to see you there June 10th 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Summer Skills

One of the most exciting things about summer is all the time children have to pursue their interests, such as sports, summer camps and time with friends. Even though they're on break, the summer offers many opportunities for students to practice their reading skills and work on math concepts. For instance, have the whole family read together each day. Take turns reading out loud, and talk about what you read. Ask children questions about the characters, why might they be acting in a certain manner, or how might they solve a problem or a dilemma they are facing. Questions like "why" and "how" encourage children to think about what they are reading and help them to answer questions about the text, and provide their rationale and evidence for those answers.

You could also find ways to make hobbies educational. A child who loves to collect baseball cards, for instance, could practice penmanship and literacy skills by writing fan letters to players. He/she could also work on math skills by tracking players' statistics or by visiting educational websites such as coolmath.com.

June 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
EQAO for Gr 3 this week	1 Golf Club starts	2	3	4	5 Subway Lunch Gr 7 CPR	6
7	8 Golf Club	9	10 Talent Show gr 1-8 11:30 am	11	12 Pizza Lunch Primary Track & Field	13
14 Gr 7&8 Camp this week	15 JK/SK trip Golf Club	16	17	18 Gr 1-3 Trip	19 Gr 5 & 6 Trip	20
21 Father's Day Summer Begins	22 Gr 4 Trip	23 Gr 8 Grad. 7pm Report Cards Home	24 Last Day of School Assembly 9am Gr 1-6 Playday 1:30	25 PD Day	26 PD Day	27
28	29	30				