

Bellmoore Bulletin

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From the Principal's Desk

March is here and it came in like a lamb, hopefully it won't go out like a lion.

We are in the middle of the beginning stages of staffing for September 2017, information will be coming out in April about providing input into class building.

Social Media

Being able to communicate effectively through social media is wonderful when we all respect each other. We are working with our students about the responsible and acceptable use of social media. As a staff we spent considerable time working through a plan of action to address social media and cell phone usage during the school day. We are very cognizant of the fact that not every student is allowed to be photographed or recorded so students will only be allowed to take pictures on their devices with the permission of the teacher. We also are reminding students that washrooms are cell phone free zones.

We will be working with our school council to develop a more comprehensive policy to support responsible and respectful cell phone and social media usage.

Kindergarten Registration

We have already began taking registrations for all new kindergarten age children (Born in 2013 or before)

As in the past we will not be able to accept any out of catchment students in our Kindergarten classes.

To register your child, please contact the school at 905-692-5435 extension 0 and speak with the office administrator. Please keep in mind we will not be able to guarantee a specific teacher.

To complete official registration we will need the following documentation, proof of age (either passport, birth certificate or baptismal certificate) and proof of address (parents drivers license or utility bill).

Once you contact our office we will advise you of the next steps.

School Council

Our next school council meeting will be on March 23rd at 6:30 pm. Please come and join us. Special thanks to School Council for their generous support of the Library. They donated \$5000.00 from the Bazaar proceeds to the library. This was used to purchase some non-fiction resources identified by staff to use in their programs.

Safe Arrival

Please remember to contact the school at 905-692 -5435 if your child is going to be absent or late. All students arriving after the bell must report to the office to check in. If you plan on having your child dismissed early, please report to the office to sign them out. Please indicate in the agenda or contact the office the time you will be picking them up. We will not call them down until you arrive.

Safe Schools

Please remember that all adults need to sign in at the office receive a Visitor Sticker before they enter the school . As you can appreciate with close to 1000 students and growing for student safety we need to account for all adults in the building. We recognize it is nice to wait for your children in the school as they are being dismissed but we ask that you wait outside so we can move the students quickly to their dismissal locations. We have noticed a number of parents inside the connection between the school and portapack, it is a narrow area and we are dismissing 6 classes through the school, please wait outside until your child is dismissed.

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March Break March 13-17

See everyone back at school on Monday, March 20, 2017.







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