



Dundana Elementary School

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September 2018 Newsletter

From the Principal

The first week of school is always so exciting and this year has been no exception. We welcomed a number of new families, students, and staff as well as resuming our friendships with all of our returning Dundana community members. At the end of this newsletter you will find a complete list of our school staff. We are pleased to welcome several new staff members to Dundana this year.

School newsletters will be posted on the school website (www.hwdsb.on.ca/dundana) at the beginning of each month to give a broad overview of information about the school. On-going information will also be posted regularly on the website. If you subscribe to the website, you will receive notifications to your email when new posts are added. Each teacher will also have a means of providing information to your child (e.g. use of agendas, class websites, class newsletters). Please check with the teacher to see how you can find out what is happening in class.

Arrival and Dismissal Information

In order to keep our students and visitors safe at Dundana, we would ask for your co-operation travelling around the school. If you are dropping off or picking up your child for entry and dismissal, please park in a legal spot on the road across the street from the school or beginning mid-way down the field on the school-side of the street. Our buses need the space in the bus loading zone, across the entry of the small parking lot, and along the side of the road for two bus lengths past the small parking lot entrance. Please refrain from pulling into the parking lot at these busy times and sending students to walk. Keep in mind that by-law officers keep our street and school grounds on their route to monitor and will ticket cars illegally parked. Please do not have your child(ren) walk between buses without adult monitoring and support. Dogs (except service animals) are also not allowed on school property at any time and by-law officers are monitoring this as well.

Dundana, along with other schools in the HWDSB and throughout the province, belong to the Safe Arrival program. Parents and caregivers need to sign in at the office and wear a visitor's badge before going elsewhere in the school. It is also important that we are aware when your child will be late or absent. Please call the school by 9 a.m. at 905.628.2622 and leave a message stating your child's name, teacher and reason for his/her absence.

Bus Transportation

Students must be on a bus roster list that we receive from the Transportation department in order to ride a particular bus. If you did NOT receive a letter from Transportation in the summer advising you of the assigned transportation or a courtesy bus approval letter this week, then your child likely does not



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qualify for the bus. Parents who still wish for their child to ride the bus need to fill out a Courtesy Transportation form in the school office. If it is possible to accommodate your child, we will do so, however courtesy ridership is not guaranteed and some of our buses are at or close to capacity. Arrangements for Courtesy bussing are not approved until our Transportation lists are finalized. The transportation department advises this is usually not until October. We will work to get students on buses as quickly as possible but you will need to make alternate arrangements for the beginning of the school year.

It is also important to note that students will NOT be able to bring in notes to ride on different buses with a friend for play dates etc. Parents will need to make transportation arrangements that do not involve the school buses for these kinds of occurrences. While I know this may be an inconvenience for parents, it is important for us to comply with board policies around transportation for everyone's safety. Please contact the office if you have any questions about transportation.

Violin Lessons

We are hopeful that the HWDSB Strings Program will once again occur at Dundana this year. New students in grade 4 or 5 are welcome to join the program. Violin lessons are 30 minutes in length, once a week. Violin students also have the opportunity to join a multi-school orchestra and participate in two concerts. For information and registration, please contact Lorraine Barberstock at lbarbers@hwdsb.on.ca or at 905.561.2190 x 4770

Terry Fox Run

Dundana School is happy to participate again this year in the Terry Fox Run. More information will follow after our Launch assembly on September 24. Our run will take place on September 27, periods 5 and 6. Our rain date will be September 28, periods 5 and 6.

Upcoming Events

Sept 11	School Council Meeting and Election, 6:30, library
Sept 21	P.A. Day – No School for Students
Sept 24	Celebration Assembly, 9:15
Sept 27	Terry Fox Run, 1:35 (Rain date, Sept 28)
Oct 4	Meet the Teacher, 5:30 – 7:00



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Dundana Staff List

K. Keery Bishop – kkeerybi@hwdsb.on.ca	Principal	Room 117 (office)
D. Bentley	Office Administrator	Office
K. Douglas	JSA	Room 123
S. Saunders	JSA	Room 123
F. Dransutavicius	JSB	Room 125
J. Black	JSB	Room 125
C. Hawley	1A	Room 107
A. Sklarchuk	12A	Room 105
S. Johnston	34A	Room 110
P. Firth	45B	Room 205
T. de Graaf	F1A	Room 128
M. Ruiu	F1B	Room 121
G. Bromhead	F2A	Room 105
J. Lattanzio	F2B	Room 112
G. Nimeroski (K. Sheldrick on leave)	F2C	Room 106
E. Leroeye	F3A	Room 203
M. Price Scott	F3B	Room 202
E. Harrison	F34A	Room 213
S. Palmer Komar	F4A	Room 212
K. Eastwood	F45A	Room 214
A. Godley	F5A	Room 204
L. Frabotta	Learning Resource Teacher	
J. MacDonald	Health, Physical Education Teacher	
V. Galopoulos (M. Popek on leave)	Music, Drama, Kindergarten Support	
M. Kehana	Core French (0.4)	
L. Fleming	Reading Specialist (0.5)	
K. Thomas	Educational Assistant	
J. Clapham	Educational Assistant	
H. Kerr	Head Caretaker	
D. Kerr	Caretaking	
D. Weare	Caretaking	