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From the Principal's Desk...
"Good things happening at Central."

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Happy Fall!!

What a busy and exciting first month of school we have had this September. I hope that everyone has settled in and is ready for a great year.

Congratulations to our 3 pitch teams. Thank you to Mr. Verschoor, Mr. Gardner and Ms Lyall for coaching this year.

We would like to welcome Mrs. Bloom back to school. She will be working .5, every morning. We would also like to welcome Mrs. Julio who will teach in the afternoon.

Reorganization

We have received word that we will not be reorganizing this year. We currently have 414 students enrolled at Dundas Central.

Absences/Lates

Please remember to call the office if your child will be late or absent. When leaving a message please leave your child's name, teacher and the reason for the absence/late. If you forget to call a synervoice message will be made to the phone numbers we have on file. Please confirm you have heard the message and call the school with the reason so we can update our computer records.

Meet the Teacher

Meet the Teacher will be October 5 @ 5:30 - 7pm
BBQ - Jumbo hot dogs, burgers, drinks, chips/apples

**Note - We have decided to do things a little differently this year. We are going to have "mini sessions" with each teacher to hear about "a day in my class...". Teachers will share goals for the year, expectations, ways to communicate and ways to support your child during their year at school.

- 5:40 - 6:00 ~ FDK classes in their classrooms
5:40 - 6:00 ~ 3/4, 4, 4/5, 5/6 in their classrooms
6:00 - 6:20 ~ 6/7, 7, 7/8, 8A, 8B in the gym
6:00 - 6:20 ~ 1, 1/2, 2/3 in their classrooms

Safety Sign-in

The safety of our children is our number one concern. When visiting the school, please use the Main entrance (off the playground). Once you have been buzzed into the school please report immediately to the office to sign in and borrow one of our visitor nametags. Please remember to sign out when you are leaving.

If you are picking up your child for an appointment please report to the office and we will call your child down if they are not already waiting.

If you need to speak with your child's teacher, please call the school or use the agenda to book an appointment.

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Peanuts/Treenuts + Axe Spray

Dundas Central is a peanut and treenut safe school. We respectfully ask for the co-operation of parents and guardians with the school community to avoid sending nuts of any kind to school. We have a number of people in the building who have potentially life threatening allergies. Similarly, we ask that students not use their Axe body spray in the hallways or change rooms as this can cause breathing difficulties for people who have fragrance allergies and sensitivities.



Head Lice

From time to time, we have reported cases of pediculosis or head lice in the school. We have already had a few cases this year. We respectfully ask that if you discover your child has contracted a case of head lice, that you contact the school so that we may notify the other families in the class. If your child has signs of eggs, nits or live lice your child will bring home a letter to notify you. We ask that you treat your child, complete the form and return it to the school. Thank you to the small but mighty team of volunteers who have taken this job on. If you have time, and would like to volunteer, please let me know. I will connect you to the Lice Squad. For more information <http://old.hamilton.ca/phcs/Teachers/Docs/FactsOfLice.pdf>

News from Dundas Central Home and School:



September went by really quickly everyone! If you were unable to attend our first meeting please see our website for the minutes - www.dcpshsa.wix.com/homeandschool. If you haven't signed up for our distribution list you're missing out! It's as easy as sending an email to dcps.hsa@gmail.com. Our next meeting is Wednesday October 18th at 7:00pm in the staff room. Even if you've never been to a meeting you're more than welcome! Come out and help us make this year great for our children and our school.

Lunch Box Lunches

Don't forget to order your lunch box lunches for October. **Orders due on-line by Sunday @ noon.**

Oct. 2 - Swiss Chalet, Milk

Oct. 16 - Quesada, Booster Juice, Milk

Oct. 23 - Pita Pit, Milk

Oct. 30 - Boston Pizza, Milk

First Annual Craft and Vendor Show

We are still taking table requests for our First Annual Craft & Vendor Show.

The Show will be on November 18th. Please e-mail Lzhntr@gmail.com



Holland Park Garden Gallery "Grow for Green" Program

Tis the season to plant! Shop at **any** Holland Park Garden Gallery location for your flowers, plants and gardening needs. When the clerk asks if you are a "Grow for Green" member, just give them the school's name or phone number 905-627-3521. 3% of your total purchases will go to Dundas Central!

