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Dundas Central School News

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From the Principal's Desk

Technically Spring is here - I am hoping Spring weather will soon be here as well. I think we are all in need of some sunshine and warmth.

Tentative Staffing

Tentative staffing assignments for next year will be outlined at the end of August. We may have to address retirements, promotions, leaves, moves, placement committee assignments and positions determined by system staffing situations. Over the summer, additional circumstances could come into play where positions could change. We will keep you informed.

For Your Information

This is a friendly reminder that Dundas Central is a nut free school. Please refrain from sending nuts and nut products to school as we have many people who have very serious allergies. Similarly, we ask that students not use their Axe Body spray in the hallways as this can cause breathing difficulties for people who have fragrance allergies and sensitivities.

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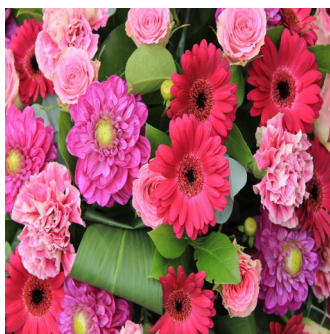
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It's time to register for Kindergarten

If you have a child who will be 4 years old as of December 31, 2017 they can be registered for Junior Kindergarten. If you have a child who will be 5 years old as of December 31, 2017 and has not attended school, they can be registered for Senior Kindergarten.

Please register your child as soon as possible so they can be included when we start to class build.



Are you moving?? Will your child be attending a different School in September?

If you are moving over the summer, or if your child will be attending a program at a different school in September, please let the office know as soon as possible so we are aware for class building.



Whooooooo Makes a Difference? Volunteers Like Yoooooou!

This year has been another remarkable one for parental involvement and support at Dundas Central. We are fortunate enough to be a school with an abundance of volunteers, dedicating their time and efforts to make our school the best learning environment possible.

In celebration of volunteer appreciation week, our school will be holding a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast on Friday, April 28. Our theme will be "Whooooooo Makes a Difference? Volunteers Like Yoooooou!" No matter how big or small the commitment a volunteer makes, one person offering a helping hand makes a difference in the world.

Invitations to our Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast will be sent home shortly. A sincere thank you to all of our Dundas Central volunteers for this 2016/17 school year.





Home and School News - April 2017

By now you've likely noticed that we are planning a busy month!!



Hope everyone enjoyed March Break, even if it already seems like a distant memory!

GREAT FEEDBACK ON ANXIETY SEMINAR

Instead of our regular Home & School meeting last month, Dr. Ellen Crump, a local clinical therapist, led a very interesting and engaging Anxiety Seminar. The feedback from attendees was extremely positive. We will be looking to host future events so if you have ideas about possible workshop topics or potential speakers, please come out to a Home & School meeting and get the ball rolling!

APRIL MEETING - TUES APRIL 11TH, 7 PM

The next Home & School meeting is Tuesday, April 11th at 7:00 pm in the Staff Room. We will be discussing where we are on our fundraising goals and planning upcoming events. Elections for the 2017-18 school year are also coming up in May so this meeting is a good chance to find out what's involved in the Executive positions. See you there!

CAKE RAFFLE - WED APRIL 12TH

Attention all bakers! The cake raffle is Wednesday, April 12th. Tickets are \$2 each or \$5 for 10. The winning tickets will be drawn at the conclusion of the Scholastic Book Fair being held the same day. Cakes can be picked up then or on Thursday, just in time for your long weekend celebrations! Please contact dcps.hsa@gmail.com if you can donate a cake. Funds raised will go towards Grade 8 Graduation. Parents, don't forget! Kids can bake too!

PUB NIGHT TWO - SAT MAY 6TH

We will be hosting a repeat of our wildly successful Pub Night at The Shed Brewery on SATURDAY MAY 6TH. Tickets go on sale next week! Tickets are limited and we had a full house last year so take advantage of the early bird incentives and get your tickets right away!

PUB NIGHT SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS

A big part of the success of last year's event was the amazing silent auction items donated by our local business community and by Dundas Central families. We are hoping to surpass the amount raised last year so please consider donating an item or a service. Donations need not be limited to families with businesses. Do you have a family cottage or chalet? A week or even weekend away would be a fantastic silent auction prize! Do you have a talent that you could offer as a service to someone, even if it is a hobby for you? Offer to bake cupcakes and deliver them to the school for a child's birthday! The possibilities are endless. Please contact Robin Parsons or Liz Hunter with how you can help. Please email any member of Home and School at DundasCentralPubNight@gmail.com

PUB NIGHT HELP NEEDED

Speaking of help, we *desperately* need help with donations/sponsorship, publicity and ticket sales ahead of the big event. Please contact Andy Johnson and we'll find you something to do that matches your schedule at DundasCentralPubNight@gmail.com

BOOK SWAP THANK YOU

A final thank you to the awesome Book Swap volunteers Kim DiChazi, Bethany Foster, Tanja Grmusa, Laura Walker, Jenny MacDonald, and Michelle Chin, and to YOU and your children for the generous book donations! Together we make Central great!

DON'T FORGET TO RETURN THE PITA LUNCH FORMS BY MON APRIL 3RD!

Prom Project HAMILTON



Prom Project Hamilton is a two day, two site location event that was created by the HWDSB Foundation to assist students in need with formal wear for their proms, graduations, formal and other special events so they can attend their event feeling stylish, confident and proud. Prom Project Hamilton does not require any proof of financial need, and promotes a positive and inclusive environment, created to support those students with formal needs who may choose not to attend their special event because of financial challenges. All items are new or gently used from the private and business communities and are free of charge to all clients. All clients are treated with respect, dignity and are assisted by volunteers who are dedicated to supporting students and making the experience an impactful journey towards their upcoming milestone event.

If you are a student who could use this program, please join us...

■ *Saturday, April 29, 2017*

9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sir Allan MacNab Secondary School
(145 Magnolia Drive, Hamilton)
AND

■ *Saturday, May 6, 2017*

9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Delta Secondary School
(1284 Main Street East, Hamilton)



To donate, go to www.promprojecthamilton.ca for a list of participating drop-off points.

What's available to visiting students?

- Formal wear: gowns, dresses, skirts / tops, suits, dress shirts, vests, dress pants, ties etc.
- Accessories: shoes, jewelry, shawls, purses, hygiene products
- Volunteers on-site to apply make-up, as well as demonstrate make-up tips and fun up-dos
- Seamstresses on-site to address minor fitting issues

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