

Flamborough Centre School News

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From the Principal's Desk...

Happy Spring and welcome to May!

As always, it has been a busy time at Flamborough Centre as we begin to take part in the traditions of the finals months of school. Our Jr. Boys and Jr. Girls basketball seasons came to a close, with both teams making it to the playoffs! The Grade 8 Table Tennis Team travelled to Dundas Central to participate in a one day tournament, with many of our students placing first in the competition. Congratulations to all of our student athletes who demonstrate exceptional sportsmanship both on and off the court — way to go Falcons! Be sure to check our website regularly to keep informed of all the happenings. Open House, The Lion King, Kindergarten Orientation and many other exciting events are taking place this month. Year-end trips are being planned and we are getting ready for EQAO testing for the Grade 3s and 6s. Students will be writing the EQAO assessment between May 24th and June 2nd. Parents in grades 3 and 6 will have more information coming home in the next few days. Please direct any questions or comments to your classroom teachers and/or the office.

Our students (and staff!) are all excited for the warmer and drier weather so that we are able to have regular access to our field. Thanks to School Council for providing \$300 to purchase new outdoor play equipment for our outdoor play chest – this will surely make break time more active and enjoyable for all!

I'm looking forward to another great month at FC!

V Prpa Principal

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School Website...

Please Subscribe to our School Website to take advantage of our electronic subscriptions for weather alerts, school closures, HWDSB's monthly newsletter the Virtual Blackboard, as well as school website updates.

All Newsletters will be posted electronically, on our school website.



Class Placements

It is that time of year once again where we are beginning to look at the school organization for next year. Teachers collaboratively create classes for the best interests of all students. Placement decisions represent our best efforts to support student success with consideration made to: classroom dynamics, specific grouping needs (academic, social) and gender balance. If you have a compelling educational reason for your child's placement for next year, please provide that in writing to the office by June 1, and we will take that information into consideration when we build the classes for next year.



FC School Council Corner

If you ordered flowers through our **Spring Flowers** fundraiser, they will be delivered to the school and available for pick up on **Wednesday, May 17th at 5:00 pm.** Our recent fundraisers have been very successful and the school will be using these funds to support library enhancements, new technologies and engaging program opportunities!

Our last School Council Meeting of the year will be taking place on **Wednesday, May 31st at 6:00 pm** in the school library. Hope to see you there!

THE LION KING

Flamborough Centre Elementary School is proud to present their third major Production. This year FC is performing Lion King – May 5th Matinee (Sold Out), May 8th Matinee (a few tickets available), May 9th (Sold Out), and May 10th (Sold Out). This story has inspired generations of children and adults alike and has now inspired the classrooms, stage, and homes of our Flamborough Centre families.

Having this musical is a wonderful way to celebrate the arts. This production would not have been possible without the over 100 students involved, from on-stage, to backstage, to pre-show design and creation – your commitment to this production was unfaltering! We would also like to thank all the parents for their constant support. Among these parents were four incredible women who created the Parent Production Team, consisting of Sharon Ayre, Leanne Barlow, Sophie Boers and Jennifer Clarke-Brophy. This production would not exist without your commitment and support. The staff at Flamborough Centre are truly a family and support the students and each other tremendously. Special thanks to Miss Armstrong, Mrs. Baker, Mrs. Pretty, Mr. Ruttan, Ms. Prpa and Ms. Babb for all of your behind-the-scenes work. Thanks also goes out to HWDSB Foundation for their incredible contribution of \$1000 to our costumes and make-up.

We look forward to seeing all of you come out to Flamborough Centre's Production of The Lion King. Always remember, "we are all connected", and at Flamborough Centre that is most definitely true.

Mrs. L. Tovey (Grade 7 Teacher/Director)



EQAO at Flamborough Centre School



The dates have been set for EQAO Testing. A reminder that attendance during this period is essential for students in grades 3 and 6. It is strongly recommended that appointments and holidays are not booked during this time period. Thanks in advance for your support with this.

Grade 3 & 6 EQAO: May 24th —June 2nd, 2017



Lost & Found

Our Lost and Found is once again overflowing, and ready for a clean out! Items will be laid out during Open House for student and parent viewing. Any items left over at the end of the month will be donated to charity. Please have your child check the Lost and Found for any missing articles. Parents are welcome to come by to look at items before or after school.



Our Grade 6 students will be heading to the Canadian Warplane Heritage Museum on Mon., May 15th, 2017.

Students will learn about the properties of air and the characteristics of flight, through hands on activities and demonstrations. This trip is FREE for all grade 6 students and is being sponsored by the Flamborough Rotary Club. Many thanks for supporting this worthwhile learning experience!



JR4H Event is scheduled for: Friday, May 19th, 2017 GOAL: \$5000 (Last year the school raised \$4,936)

Supporting kids' health for 35 years, Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart encourages kids to get active by skipping rope while they collect pledges for heart disease and stroke research. This program gives children the chance to jump and play alongside almost 1,000,000 other kids in more than 4,000 schools across Canada.

Students are asked to collect their pledges in the envelope provided or online at **JumpRopeForHeart.ca**! Sponsors donating online will receive an automatic tax receipt. When your child raises pledges online, they can earn additional rewards and bonus prizes: a \$5 fundraising kick-start and a FREE skipping rope with their first online donation (of any amount). PLUS they will receive a \$15 gift card when they reach \$150 in online donations.

Most funds raised last year: Ovie and Olivia W., Rachel S. Great Work!



Roots of Empathy



The Kindergartens had another wonderful year implementing our Roots of Empathy program with our mom and baby. The Kindergarten class is looking for a new family for the **2017-2018** school year. The baby must be born in either July or early August as he/she must be between the ages of 2-4 months when the program starts in early October.

If you would like more information about the Roots of Empathy program please visit their website **rootsofempathy.org.** This program is a great opportunity for children to learn about empathy, infant development, emotional literacy, parent/child relationships and neuroscience among many other concepts. Thank you in advance for your support!

The Kindergarten Team



FC Co-Ed Soccer Team

On **Tuesday, May 23rd,** Flamborough Centre will compete in a co-ed soccer tournament at **Ancaster Meadow School.**

Tryouts for the soccer team will take place after school from 2:30- 3:30 pm on Monday, May 15th and Tuesday May 16th. Students in grades 6-8 may tryout for the FC soccer team.

Mr. A. Zandbergs (Grade 6 Teacher/Coach)