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Green Acres School
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Arrival Check Program Please call the school to let us know that your child(ren) will **not** be attending school for the day or will be arriving late. For your convenience, the answering machine is available 24hrs/day & 7days/week.

Principals Message:

Graduation

On Wednesday, June 20, our Grade 8 students will celebrate their Graduation at the Grand Olympia in Stoney Creek. The ceremony begins at 5:00 p.m., followed by a dinner/dance for our graduates. The staff at Green Acres is looking forward to celebrating our grade 8 students' successes and accomplishments on that day. We wish them the best for Grade 9 as they start Secondary School in the fall.



On Tuesday, June 19, our Senior Kindergarten students will have their Graduation celebration at 1:30 in the Gym. Our SK students are looking forward to their celebration with their family that afternoon. The staff at Green Acres is looking forward to seeing the young graduates continue to learn, grow and challenge themselves each year.

Thank-You's

Thank you to all the staff here at Green Acres for your dedication and the work that you carry out in our classrooms with our students. Our staff work together on making sure your children are learning, trying their best, persevering with challenging activities in all areas of the curriculum, and having fun in all aspects of school.

Thank you to all members of our School Council this year for their dedication in volunteering to sit on School Council. It was a pleasure to work with you this year on your goals of increasing parent engagement at Green Acres School. The Multi Cultural Festival was a huge success as families came together to celebrate and learn about each other's culture.

Report Cards

Report cards go home to parents on Monday, June 25th. Grade 8 graduates will receive their report card the night of their graduation.

If you have any concerns regarding your child's progress or questions to help prepare them for the next grade, please contact your child's teacher

Volunteer Appreciation

Many thanks to the number of volunteers who help out with our Nutritious Snack Program, on Trips, in classrooms and driving to team events. We appreciate your help and support throughout the year. Our Volunteer Appreciation breakfast was held on May 15th in the library.

We welcome parent volunteers anytime! If you are able to volunteer for the next school year, please stop by the office to go over the procedures for volunteering with school events.

Transportation

If your child qualifies for bussing, a letter from Transportation will be mailed out to you over the summer. The letter will provide pick-up/drop-off location and times that the bus will be there. According to the HWDSB Transportation Policy, students qualify for transportation when the walking distance from home to school is more than:

1.0 km for students in JK/SK

1.6 km for students in Grades 1-8

All other students must apply for Courtesy Transportation. Courtesy Transportation applications must be completed for each school year, permission does not carry over from one year to the next.

Courtesy Transportation Forms can be picked up at the office in September and will be granted in late September.

Staff Appreciation Breakfast

Thank you to School Council for organizing this year's Staff Appreciation Breakfast on June 22nd. The staff at Green Acres appreciates everything that you have done for our students this year and every year.

Track & Field

Many thanks to Mr. Reynolds and his class for setting up and organizing Green Acres' Track & Field events for our students on May 16th & 17th. It was a great day for all!

The HWDSB Track & Field Meets for those students who are participating will be on the following dates:

Sr. Boys/Girls Track & Field -June 13th (rain date June 14th) @ Mohawk Sports Complex

Jr. Boys/Girls Track & Field-June 18th (rain date June 21st) @ Mohawk Sports Complex

Three Pitch Tournament

The Junior/Senior Boys and Girls Baseball Teams will be taking part in the Three Pitch Tournament at Eastdale School on June 14 & 15.

Thank you to Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Kirkelos, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. Sybersma, and Mrs. Dempsey for coaching the teams this year. Good luck to all of our Teams!

Last Day

The last day of school for students is Thursday, June 28. We will be having our Year End Assembly that morning at 9:15 a.m. to say our goodbyes and celebrate the fantastic year we've had at Green Acres. Along with staff goodbyes, we will be saying goodbye to a number of students who will be attending Lake Avenue in the fall. Parents are welcome to attend.

Green Acres School Council Update

Thank you to everyone who participated and attended our Cultural Festival on May 3, 2018. The energy and enthusiasm at this event was so positive and contagious that it was truly inspiring. There were a lot of suggestions about making it an annual event in order to bring our school community together.

Also a thank you to everyone who ordered spirit wear. The orders should be in soon.

As the end of the year is quickly approaching it also gives us an opportunity to reflect. Thanks to the support of our school community we have been able to help purchase new sport uniforms and pinneys, help cover the cost of buses for school trips to keep the cost down, help cover the cost of play day, and keep our annual tradition of Pancake Day going strong.

Sadly we are saying goodbye to three of our members: Ms. Corrigan, Ms. Vanstone, and Ms. Nalsok. They have been an integral part of our group and will be missed terribly. We cannot thank them enough for their dedication to our school. We continue to look for new members for the school council and this will be especially important next year as a result of these goodbyes. Come out on Monday, June 11, 2018 at 6 p.m. in the staff room to check out our last meeting for the year. Coming to a meeting gives a good sense of what it is that we talk about and what the plans are for the coming school year.

As the next two years are going to be a significant time of transition at Green Acres, parent input is even more important now than ever before. School council would like to wish everyone a happy and safe summer break. We will see you in September.