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Summer 2018

Principal's Message:

Goodbyes

Our Year End Assembly was on June 28th, we said goodbye to some staff members and to students who will be leaving us and joining other school communities in the fall. We shared a slide show that captured celebrations that we had during the year.

I want to thank all of our staff for the work that they did each day for our students. Each one of you helped your students learn, work hard, be kind, and encouraged them to do their best.

In FDK, we will be saying goodbye to Ms. McKinley and Mrs. Huber. Your compassion, creativity for making the first or second year of school exciting and always interesting, and allowing the students to learn new things will be missed.

In Grade 2/3, we will be saying goodbye to both Mrs. Mirabella and Mrs. Workman. Your love of teaching, giving your students a positive experience and helping them be the best that they can be will be missed.

Goodbye to Mrs. Kavanagh who will be full-time at Lake Avenue School. Your passion for teaching our ELL students do their best as they learn English will be missed.

Mrs. Perks will be missed by all students at Green Acres. Her passion for teaching our students to be their best, try hard, be kind and just being there for them will be missed.

To the E.A. Team of Mrs. Giglia, Mrs. Viveiros, and Ms. Page, we will miss the work that you did in supporting the needs of our students, making them smile and helping them reach their goals.

We wish them all well in their new positions next year!

Welcome

We will be welcoming back Mrs. Rutherford DECE from her maternity leave. She will be teaming up with Ms. Maika in FDK.

Mr. Houlan will be an Itineret ELL teacher supporting ELL students, Green Acres is one of a number of schools that Mr. Houlan will be working at.

There will be a Long Term Occassional Teacher in for Mrs. Callari, who is off on maternity leave.

School Council Message

The Green Acres School Council would like to thank everyone in our Green Acres community (students, families, staff, and community partners) for another great year at our school. We are so appreciative of all of your support for our fundraisers and events. We are especially proud of the Cultural Festival held at the Open House, there was such a positive vibe and such positive feedback from everyone in attendance. It truly shows what a great community we are.

Next year will bring about new challenges, especially as more information is shared by HWDSB regarding what the next few years will look like at Green Acres. It is with much sadness that we will say goodbye to some of our friends who will be transitioning to Lake Avenue School as the first part of this process. The School Council will continue to do whatever it can to ensure that our parents remain informed about upcoming changes in the years ahead.

We are sad to say goodbye to some School Council members but are very fortunate to have had a tremendous amount of support and dedication from Beth Corrigan, Linda Vanstone and Sez Nalsok. These women have been an integral part of Green Acres for well over two decades if you combine their years of volunteering for council. We will miss them very much, but also wish them the best of luck in any future endeavors.

Our first meeting of the 2018-2019 School Year will be on Monday, September 17, 2018 at 6p.m. in the Staff Room. As always we welcome new members. Childcare can be provided if needed by simply contacting the school, emailing School Council at greenacrespublicschool@gmail.com or contacting School Council through the facebook page. Have a safe and happy summer. We will see all of you in the fall.

JK/SK First Day of School

The first day of school for Senior Kindergarten students will be Wednesday, September 5, 2018. Our Junior Kindergarten students will be visiting the classroom for an hour with their parents on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 and will have their first full day of school on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

Our Kindergarten Team will be sending postcards to new Junior Kindergarten families with the time of their visit on September 4. If you have any questions about Kindergarten for the next school year, they can be directed to our Kindergarten Team.

Green Acres Staff 2018-2019

Mrs. Tracy	JK/SK
Ms. Maika	JK/SK
Mrs. Thersidis	DECE-JK/SK
Mrs. Rutherford	DECE-JK/SK
Mrs. Dempsey	Grade 1
Mrs. Gear	Grade 1/2
Mrs. Carter	Grade 2/3
Mrs. Worley	Grade 3/4
Mrs. Cave	Grade 4/5
Mr. Reynolds	Grade 5/6
Mrs. Karamath	Grade 7/8
Mr. Kirkelos	Grade 7/8
Mdme. Woods	French
TBD	Phys. Ed./Health/Library
Mrs. Holden	Music/LRT
Mrs. Iarocci	Intermediate Comp. Class
Mrs. Robillard	Speech/Language Class
Mrs. Sybersma	LRT
Mrs. Blunsdon	K-1 Reading Intervention (0.5)
TBD	EA
Mrs. Freeman	EA
TBD	EA (0.5)
Ms. Cree	E.A (0.5)
TBD	Custodian
Mr. Doyle	Custodian
TBD	Custodian
Mrs. Aitken	Office Admin.
Ms. Gasparik	Principal

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.

We wish our students and their families a Wonderful and Safe Summer!

**See you on the First Day of School, Tuesday, September 4, 2018 (Grade 1-8)
Wednesday, September 5, 2018 (JK-SK).**

