HILLCREST SCHOOL

June 2018

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From the Principal's Desk

The school year is quickly drawing to a close and the final arrangements, in terms of staffing for next year, are well underway. Over the next few weeks we will be making class placements and final teaching arrangements. Class placement information will be indicated on the final report card. As we head in to the final month of the school year the planning process is underway for organizing classroom groupings. We group children so that there are a variety of academic levels in each class allowing for the flexibility needed to create a variety of instructional groups. Teachers will meet with school administration to discuss the needs of each student. Some of the issues discussed and considered are:

- balance of ability, interests, and talents / balance of males/females
- learning styles of students/ teaching styles of teachers
- diversity / remedial and enrichment needs
- students to be kept together or separated because of the positive/negative influence on each other's learning.

We appreciate your trust in our professional judgment in balancing the considerations mentioned above. The final decision for class placements is the responsibility of the Principal. If you have further information regarding your child's learning needs that we should consider, please make sure you have discussed the specifics with your child's teacher. We will not entertain requests for specific teachers. Any additional information you would like to provide us with should be put in writing and submitted before June 8th. The staff is a dedicated team of professionals. Years of meeting the learning and social/emotional needs of students give them the unique qualifications to make these decisions. It takes hours of discussion, reflection, revision and consideration of alternatives to arrive at the best organization for our school. The best may not be perfect but represents what we believe are the best chances for success. It is possible that class list revisions will have to be made before opening day in September and even after the first day of school due to changes in enrolment or staffing. We pledge to do our very best to develop classes that will maximize opportunities for each child to learn and be successful. As the school year comes to a close, I would like to thank all of the people who have helped to make this year a success. We are fortunate to have a dedicated staff, talented and supportive teachers, caring teaching assistants, a custodial staff who keep our building and grounds clean and safe and a secretarial staff who are excellent; the envy of every school. Thank you! Many thanks are extended to our Parent Council, and all our parent volunteers.

Mr. J. Manzin Principal

<u>June Uniform Exchange</u> Each year we encourage families who have gently used Hillcrest uniforms that may no longer be needed or no longer fit their child to donate them back to the school. We will wash them and have them ready for our August uniform exchange. Please feel free to have donations dropped off at the school main office. **Beginning June 11th we relax our school uniform policy, allowing appropriate summer attire.**

<u>Upcoming Dates:</u>					
June 8—	June 21—	June 25—			
P.A. Day	Grade 8 Graduation	Report Cards Go Home			
June 28—	June 29—	September 4—			
Last Day of School	P.A. Day No School	Welcome Back to School			



Hillcrest celebrated **Caring** as our May character trait. We recognized students who demonstrated that they "mean what they say and say what they mean and stand up for what they feel is right". **In June we are focusing on Honesty.**

Chocolate Bar Fundraiser

We recently wrapped up our school fundraiser. Thank you to all families who participated! Congrats to our top sellers this year: Isabelle B., Cherish C., Emma D. and Diesel N.—great work! We would also like to congratulate our top selling classes—Mrs. Robbins & Ms. Woods! Well done everyone!

CAMP POWER @ Hillcrest For students entering gr. 1 and 2 Sept 2018

Dates: July 31 - Aug 17 8:30 am -1:30pm Monday to Friday

Register at: www.hwdsb.on.ca/camppower



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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
** All grade 8 students p	lease submit a baby photo	for grad as soon as possible		Band trip to Wonderland
4 Day 5 Soccer World—Gr. 3 & 5s FINAL Milk Orders Due	5 Day I	6 Day 2 Special Olympics - Ms. Easson, Mr. Kin, Mr. Peterson Band Concert @ Churchill 7pm	7 Day 3 Co-Ed Soccer Tournament	P.A. DAY NO SCHOOL
II Day 4 FINAL Pizza Orders Due	Gr. 6-8 Track & Field	I3 Day I Gr. 7/8 Codefest Trip	14 Day 2	15 Day 3
18 Day 4 Final Character Awards Assembly	19 Day 5 Gr. 3-5 Track & Field	P.E. Awards JKSKC/JKSKD Field Trip	21 Day 2 Soccer World—1A, 1B, 1/2A, 2A, 2B, 2/3 Gr. 8 Grad 4:30	SK Grad 9:20am Last day milk & pizza
25 Day 4 Gr. 4 Medieval Times Trip Report Cards Go Home	26 Day 5 JKSKA/JKSKB Field Trip	27 Day I	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL	P.A. DAY