



## Lincoln Alexander Elementary School

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Wednesday, June-25-14

Dear Families,

As always, we are enjoying the exhilarating pace of June including: sporting events, class trips, celebrations, assemblies and thinking about our plans for the upcoming year. Congratulations to all of our students who competed at the H.W.D.S.B. track meet. Also, thank you for some great performances from our dance club and from our primary students. I am thrilled to be returning to Lincoln Alexander School next year as we embark on our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

On behalf of our staff and the school community, I would like to extend a special thank you to all of our School Council and to our Volunteers who have supported student learning in a variety of ways—together we are most definitely better. It is amazing to see your collective passion for our children's education which is appreciated by all staff. This year School Council helped to complete the basketball net and school sign installation. They hosted movie nights, Zumba Night, supported our Lunch Room Helpers, Carol Sing, Winter Carnival, Literacy/Numeracy Night and created our School Council Constitution. They also planned and ran a very successful Internet Safety Evening for students and parents. Please see the last page of this newsletter which outlines the revenue and expenses for this past school year. As always, we welcome more volunteers for next year. Every volunteer requires a police check on file and an interview with the principal to discuss availability and matching of school needs with volunteer preferences. If you are interested in being a new volunteer to the school please make an appointment with me in September or during the last week of August.

School Council plays an important role in advising our school's direction in terms of school improvement, dress code and parent engagement initiatives. Next year's first School Council meeting will be on Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m. in the staff room, we welcome all parents/guardians to join us. Nominations forms for key positions on School Council will be available in the office in September.

We are almost at the end of the staffing process and I would like to take the opportunity to share our school organization for 2014-15. As always, classes are subject to change by the end of September as staffing is finalized based on the actual number of students who are in our school on September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014. Please know that all classroom placements were decided by our staff to best meet the learning/social needs of all of our children. If there needs to be any changes in class structure, this will only be considered at the end of September. Thanks in advance for your understanding and patience. Also, please return the student/parent comments portion of your child's report to your child's homeroom teacher as soon as possible.



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### Lincoln Alexander Staff 2014-15

Office Administrator-Ms. Wright

Head Caretaker-Mr. Marshall

Educational Assistants- Ms. Jewitt, Mrs. Start, Ms. Wellwood & Mrs. Woods

JK/SK Team –Ms. Moulton & Ms. Bourassa (DECE)

JK/SK Team –Ms. Vandenburg, Mrs. Amaral (DECE) & Mrs. Smith

SK-To be determined

Grade One-Mrs. Ho

Grade One/Two-Mrs. Berta

Grade Two/Three-Ms. Duemm

Grade Three/Four-Mrs. Andreychuk & Mlle Chiappetta

Grade Four/Five- Mr. Pitkeathly

Grade Five/ Six-Mrs. Brandon-Rooth

Character Networks Classroom-Miss Watson

Character Networks Centre- Ms. Maher and EA staff to be determined

Learning Resource-Ms. Chute

Library/Primary Drama& Dance-Mrs. Tadeson

Primary Health & Physical Education-To be determined

French- Mlle Chiappetta

Principal-Mr. Hopkins



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Every year, we say goodbye to some of our team members at Lincoln Alexander and welcome new voices to our community. Ms. Morehouse will be taking a position at Lawfield, Miss Gater will be working full time at Eastmount Park, Mrs. Romero will be off on maternity leave, Mrs. Black (to be determined) and Mlle Frattaroli will be working at Bennetto. I would like to thank everyone for your hard work, collaboration and spirit you brought to our school. I also would like to welcome Mrs. Amaral and Ms. Wellwood to Lincoln Alexander School.

Students in grades one to six will be utilizing an agenda as a key communication tool between home and school. At the front of the agenda, you will find many key messages which will help you to better understand curriculum, school/board policies and key dates for your calendar. We will also send this information home to our JK/SK students. We would appreciate a \$5.00 donation to offset the costs of the agendas.

The following are the Bell Times for 2014-15:

- 8:05 School Grounds open**
- 8:20 Doors open and instruction begins**
- 10:20 First Nutrition Break**
- 11:00 Instruction recommences**
- 12:40 Second Nutrition Break**
- 1:20 Instruction recommences**
- 2:40 Dismissal**
- 2:55 School Grounds close**

I would like to express my gratitude and thanks to all students, staff, parents and the community for your ongoing support at Lincoln M. Alexander School. I will continue to listen, learn and act in order to better support the Lincoln Alexander Community.

On behalf of all staff, have a safe and happy summer,

Mr. M. Hopkins



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### Key Dates for Your Calendar:

- Wednesday June 25<sup>th</sup>-Report Cards to be sent home
- Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>-Grade 6 Farewell (12:00 p.m.)
- Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>-Last Day of Instruction
- Friday, June 27<sup>th</sup>-Kindergarten Parade (8:30 a.m.)
- Tuesday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>-First Day of School
- Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup>-PA DAY
- Wednesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>-School Council Meeting @ 6:00 p.m. in Staff Room
- Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>-Picture Day (Individual pictures only)
- Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>-Meet the Staff/Book Fair (5:30-7:00)
- Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>-Thanksgiving
- Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>-Class Pictures & Retakes
- Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration (5:00-8:00 p.m.)

### School Council Budget:

We started the year with \$4424.94 with \$2480.76 allocated from 2012-13 for the basketball net and installation charges. We had two movie nights that made a profit of \$792.30. School Council purchased lunch room helper awards (gift certificates for books)\$564.80 and a new wireless microphone for \$450.87. Our finishing balance is \$989.18.

### Email Distribution List:

On July 1, 2014, Canada will have a new anti-spam law in effect. **This law requires us to have express [consent](#) from you before sending you any electronic messages containing commercial information.** More information will come out in the fall on how we will rebuild our Lincoln Alexander School email list.