

The Millgrove Chronicle

September 2017 Edition



Welcome back! We hope that you have had a fantastic summer break and you are eager to get the year at Millgrove School underway.

This year, we will continue to foster your child's strengths through their curiosity, creativity and possibility. We have an amazing staff that will help make that all happen. Through our morning announcements, students will learn more about how they can get involved in the many fun things that Millgrove offers. Parents and guardians – check out our monthly newsletters and our school website for important information and upcoming school events.

Here at Millgrove, we are proud of our parent and guardian volunteers for their involvement and encourage those interested to view our website and contact the school.

Please remember you are welcome to come and see me if you have any questions, concerns or simply would like to chat!

Welcome back to the 2017-18 school year – let's make it our best yet!

Mr. D. Fede

Principal



Dates to Remember:

- Beginning September 18th, every Monday will be Pizza Day
- Beginning September 15th, every Friday will be popcorn day
- Beginning September 13th, every Wednesday will be Lunch Lady Day
- Sept. 19 – School Council Meeting @ 6:30
- Sept. 22 – P.A. Day (No School)
- Sept. 28 – Terry Fox Run (Wear Red)
- **Oct. 3 – Picture Day**



Josh B, Penelope C, Hunter P,

Katie-Lynn B, Alyssa C,

Scarlette F, Cale C, Ethan P,

Kody A, Claire S, Julien T, Maya V

Give A Cheer For The New School Year!

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Mrs. Bailey & Mrs. Zuzek	JK/SK
Mrs. Mason & Mrs. Coakwell	JK/SK
Mrs. May	Grade 1
Mrs. Frizell	Grade 1/2
Miss Jackson (LTO)	Grade 2/3
Mrs. Price	Grade 3
Mrs. Dahmer	Grade 3/4
Miss Bowen	Grade 4/5
Mrs. Nedelko	Grade 5
Ms. Corbett	Physical Ed.
Miss MacCuish	French & Library
Mrs. Hardy	LRT (PM only)
Mr. Zagorac	Library
Mrs. Cowell	EA
Mrs. McBride	EA
Miss Marrone	Office Administrator
Mr. Fede	Principal

Please remember that school organization is tentative until the end of September.

Welcome Aboard!

Welcome to our new Superintendent Sue Dunlop.

We look forward to working together with Superintendent Dunlop to continue supporting Millgrove School.

FORMS....FORMS....FORMS

You have received and will be receiving many **“very important”** forms from the office. Please take the time to fill them out and return them to the school with your child ASAP. The first class with all their forms back will win a pizza party!

Medical Information

Based on need, your child will soon be coming home with medical forms that need to be completed i.e. asthma, anaphylaxis, diabetes etc. This information will be posted in your child's classroom, the office and in the staff room so that all staff is aware. Just a reminder about Ryan's Law – All students who require inhalers are able to carry them with them at all times.



Visitors Please Report to the Office

All visitors must first check in at the office. If you need to see or pick up your child, Miss Marrone will page the classroom and have the student meet you at the office. If you are dropping something off, please label the item and leave it with Miss Marrone to avoid disruptions in the classrooms. For safety reasons, we are asking that parents do not visit classrooms on their own during the instructional day.



Kindergarten Information!

Kindergarten parents please note that all JK and SK students are to go into the Kindergarten Pen during morning entry. Please do not leave them in the main playground. The DECE's will be there to supervise your children every morning.



Volunteers!

Please be sure to read the Volunteer Handbook published on our website. A reminder that new volunteers must provide a Vulnerable Sector Screening Criminal Reference Check (CRC) for review, and that documentation must be completed for each volunteer as outlined in the Policy Directive. Also, all returning volunteers must sign an annual offence declaration and should begin updating their Criminal Reference Check if the three year window is coming up.

Student Fees

School Fees this year will include Gr. 5 Yearbook, School Lunch Days (pizza days, Lunch Lady etc.), Snack program (popcorn, cookies, yogurt etc.), and Picture Day Pictures, These opportunities are voluntary for our families.

Additionally, families will be asked to pay for costs associated with class trips. Although the decision to participate lies with the parent/guardian, we believe that these excursions are valuable extensions of the learning that is happening in the classroom. In the event of a situation where a family is experiencing a hardship related to a school expense (e.g., a class trip), please contact Mr. Fede to confidentially work out a plan for participation.

DISMISSAL POLICY

ALL students will gather in the gym at 3:05 pm for dismissal.

- Students attending Day Care will continue with their regular routine.
- Bus students will line up in the gym in their respective bus line and attendance will be taken. They will then be dismissed from the front door and escorted by the teacher on duty to their bus.
- Any student being picked up will be dismissed through the gym door by the teacher on duty. Parents or caregivers will wait outside the gym doors along the clear path.

Please make the office and daycare aware of changes in afterschool/dismissal plans.



Secure School Information

During this term, Millgrove School is required to conduct at least 3 Fire Drills, 1 Lockdown Drill and 1 Evacuation Drill so that students are prepared in the event of a real emergency. Please do not be alarmed if your child tells you that the alarm went off at school. This is all part of Millgrove's Emergency Plan of Action.



HWDSB NUTRITION POLICY

The HWDSB has an approved Nutrition Policy set forth by the Ministry of Education. The purpose of the policy is to guide school communities in the development of healthy school nutrition environments in which everyone is encouraged to make nutritious food choices and beverage choices.

All food and beverages fit into one of 3 categories: **serve/sell most, serve/sell less and not permitted for sale or to be served.** Currently, we are in the process of evaluating the food we serve and sell to our students to ensure we are following the guidelines set within the Policy.

Below are **a few highlights** that reinforce the Policy & its implementation:

- Food incentives or rewards are permitted for groups, clubs or classes as long as it complies with the standards of the policy. For example, cakes, donuts, candy or other sweets are not permitted for classroom birthday celebrations. Instead, families are welcome to send in healthy snacks such as fruit or vegetable trays.
- Nutritional standards do not apply to food & beverages available for purchase during field trips off school premises.
- Schools are entitled to 10 Special Event Days in which food & beverages sold or served in schools are exempt from the nutrition standard outlined in the Policy. These 10 days will be planned with staff and Council and will be sent to you in the near future.





the Lunch Lady

Welcome Back
Millgrove!

The Lunch Lady is excited to once again offer a wide variety of hot, healthy lunches to Millgrove Elementary School Students & Staff every Wednesday this school year.

Your first service day will be Wednesday September 13th.

A few things to remember about The Lunch Lady!

- ✓ **We take care of everything!**
From creating and printing menus to all online ordering and delivering lunches right to the class, there is no work for your Staff or Parents.
- ✓ **We meet Ministry Nutritional Guidelines!** Every single meal we prepare meets or exceeds the Ontario Ministry of Education PPM150 Guidelines.
- ✓ **Every Order Helps Your School!**
All Lunch Lady entrees include a FUNDRAISING contribution for your school!
- ✓ **Allergies? We care!**
We are a NUT FREE kitchen and have strict allergy management processes in place. We work directly with parents with the best interests of the students in mind!
- ✓ **Parents love our flexibility!**
Sick child, forgotten appointment or field trip?
Orders can be cancelled by 8am the morning of for a credit to toward their next lunch!



the Lunch Lady

Millgrove Fun Lunch Event Calendar 2017/2018

- ✓ Fun Lunches are planned on one of your schools regular service days or can be on a special event day if requested.
- ✓ Fun Lunches help **boost Fundraising** for your school!
- ✓ There is always an option to design your own Fun Lunch Events! Ask me how!

September	October	November	December	January
Back to School	Spooky Hot Lunch	Chili Days, Hot Lunch	Holiday Dinner	New Years Noodles!
Fall 2017 Menus provided to be sent home to parents!	Spooky Spaghetti, Boo Burgers, Ghoulish Grilled Cheese & more!	Warm up with Lunch Lady's Homemade Beef & Vegetarian Chili and other hot lunch options!	The Lunch Lady loves celebrating the Holidays with our schools!	Hot Delicious Pasta meals and sides to kick start the New Year!
Start Sept 13	Oct 25	Nov 22	Dec 20	Jan 17
February	March	April	May	June
Valentines' Special	Hop into Spring/ Easter Special	Earth Day	Burger Bar	Celebrate Canada!
Heart Shaped ♥ Pancakes ♥ One of our most popular events!	A nutritious & Egg-cellent menu that will be sure to have everyone hopping for joy!	Lunch Lady menu featuring items with all recyclable or compostable packaging!	A favourite event to celebrate warmer weather on the way!	Featuring Canadian favourites including Lunchie's Poutine & more, eh!
Feb 14	Mar 28	Apr 18	May 16	June 20



The Lunch Lady is excited to deliver hot, healthy & delicious lunches to **MILLGROVE Elementary School every WEDNESDAY!**

Healthy Lunches Delivered Fresh starting in September

Login to check online for first service date

TO ORDER, visit www.thelunchlady.ca

- ✓ Click on ORDER NOW to set up your Lunch Lady account or order with an existing account.
- ✓ **Order Deadline** is two school days before the scheduled lunch day.
- ✓ Order lunches one week or a month at a time!

ALLERGIES? WE CARE!

Please call or email us prior to ordering to advise of any allergies & learn more.

NEED TO CANCEL?

We understand! Just CALL us and let us know by 8:00 a.m. for a **credit** to use another time.

GREAT JOB! Every Order Helps Your School!
All Lunch Lady entrees include a **fundraising contribution** back to help your school!

Your Lunch Lady is Chrissy

chrissy@thelunchlady.ca 🍅 905-648-8282

POPULAR HOT BALANCED MEALS!

More options available online!			
Spaghetti & Beef Meatballs & Lunchie's Homemade Tomato Sauce	\$5.00	Pancakes (3) with side syrup & Unsweetened Applesauce	\$5.00
Baked Chicken Fingers Rice & Corn	\$5.00	Beef Burger, Cheese or Veggie Burger & Fresh Vegetable	From \$5.10
Personal Cheese Pizzette & Fresh Vegetable	\$5.30	Garlic Chicken Penne with Peas & Carrots	\$5.30

MORE ENTREES & FRESH SIDES

More options available online!			
Homemade Mac & Cheese	\$4.80	Grilled Cheese Sandwich	\$4.50
Buttery Parmesan Pasta	\$4.50	Spaghetti & Homemade Tomato Sauce	\$4.50
NEW! Carrot Cucumber Sushi Roll	\$5.00	Crunchy Chicken Ranch Wrap	\$4.90
Crunchy Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$4.90	Caesar/Garden Salad	\$2.30
Apple Slice/Fresh Orange/Carrots	\$1.30	Chunky Monkey/Very Berry Parfait	\$2.90
Assorted Smoothies	\$3.50	Assorted Bakery Treats	From \$1.20

LUNCH LADY 'SMARTER MEALS'

More options available online!			
Potato & Cheese Perogies & Veggies, Sour Cream & Applesauce Cal 465 Sod 610mg Fat 8g Pro 14g	\$5.70	3 Whole Grain Pancakes & Yogurt/Berries Parfait Cal 550 Sod 710mg Fat 4g Pro 13g	\$6.30
Smiling Shepherd's Pie & Apple Slices Cal 317 Sod 241mg Fat 9g Pro 19g	\$6.30	Teriyaki Chicken Rice Bowl & Steamed Veggies & Orange Slices Cal 460 Sod 520g Fat 4g Pro 20g	\$6.30



WANT MORE OPTIONS? *Gluten Free, Vegetarian, Little Lunches & more available online!

*Online orders only. Visa, Visa Debit, MasterCard or Interac accepted. Prices include all applicable taxes.

Popcorn Days

Millgrove School is pleased to provide our students with healthy and delicious snack options starting this week. Every Friday, popcorn will be available for sale and all profits will benefit our school!

\$2 /bag

From Farm To Table Popcorn is grown and produced right here in Ontario! It is grown without the use of pesticides or GMOs and is nut-free, peanut-free and gluten-free.

Four flavours to choose from:

- *Dill Pickle*
- *Light Butter and Salt*
- *Sweet & Salty Kettle Corn*
- *Bold White Cheddar*



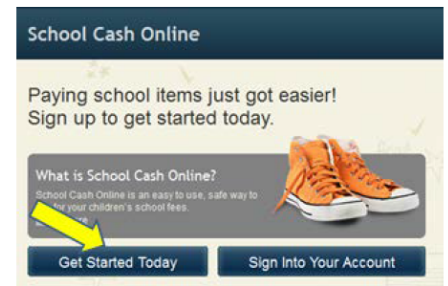
Sales will take place during second nutrition break in the main foyer. ***Exact change is highly recommended.*** Bags come with approximately 3 cups of popcorn. Students can purchase 1, 2 or more bags of popcorns.

For safety and efficiency reasons, HWDSB would like to reduce the amount of cash and checks received by our schools. Please join the thousands of parents who have already registered and are enjoying the convenience of paying online. It takes less than five minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions to begin receiving email notifications regarding upcoming events involving your child(ren).

NOTE: If you require assistance, select the "SUPPORT" option at the top right hand corner of the screen.

Step 1: Register

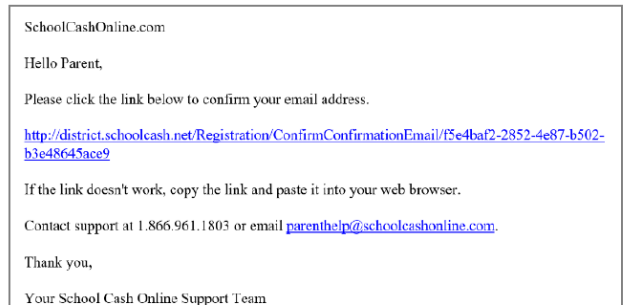
- If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page <https://hwdsb.schoolcashonline.com> and select the "Get Started Today" option.
- Complete each of the three Registration Steps
**For security reasons your password requires eight characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.*



Step 2: Confirmation Email

A registration confirmation email will be forwarded to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your email and School Cash Online account.

The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.



Step 3: Find Student

This step will connect your children to your account.

- Verify the School Board Name.
- Select the School Name.
- Enter Your Child's First Name, Last Name and Date of Birth.
- Select "Continue".
- On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check in the Agree box and select "Continue".
- Your child has been added to your account.

Step 4: View Items or Add Another Student

If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" and repeat the steps above. Eight children can be added to one parent account. If you do not wish to add additional children, select "View Items For Students" option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed.

Payment Methods: Three Online Options

Option 1:



myWallet

An online wallet that can be loaded to hold funds and pay for items on School Cash Online.

myWallet eliminates the need to enter payment information multiple times. Simply sign into your account and select the myWallet tab. Click Add Funds to myWallet and use an eCheque to load funds into your account.

Once the funds are available, add all items into your shopping cart and select the myWallet payment method in your checkout options.

Option 2:



eCheque

An electronic version of a paper cheque used to make payments online. Anyone with a chequing/savings account can pay by eCheque through School Cash Online.

To pay with an eCheque, simply enter your routing and account number on the payment screen and click Submit.

This option is best suited to families who do not incur bank transaction fees for each cheque/withdrawal.

Option 3:



Credit Cards

Due to parent demand, we now accept payment by VISA or Mastercard.



Families will still have the option to send cash or cheque for school-related expenses. However, we encourage you to get on board with our new service.

School Cash Online's top priority is keeping your personal information safe. School Cash Online adheres to the highest industry standards of security. School Cash Online will never contact you to obtain confidential information by phone, email or mail.

Need Assistance?

If at any time during the registration process you need help, the Parent Help Desk is available to solve any puzzles that parents may have when using School Cash Online, or to answer questions regarding online security. Our friendly staff are available 24/7 (365 days). They can assist parents with:

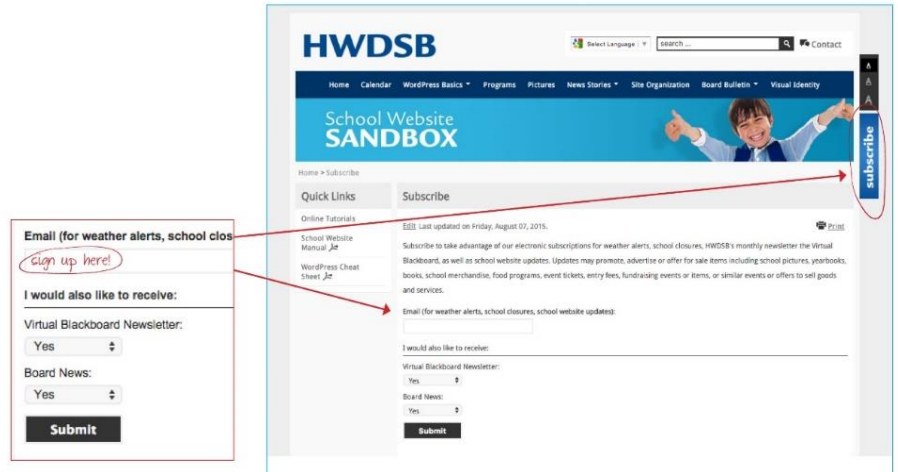
- Registering
- Password recoveries
- Finding their children in the system, or
- Any checkout or payment issues.

Please contact (toll-free): [Parent Help Desk: 1-866-961-1803](tel:1-866-961-1803) or email: parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com

For the 2017/18 School year, Millgrove will continue to communicate with families using our website.

Please subscribe to receive updates at:
www.hwdsb.on.ca/millgrove/subscribe.

Subscribers receive an email notification when we post updates to our website. You can unsubscribe at any time using the link at the bottom of any notification emails.



Most Millgrove updates are about school and/or board initiatives and activities, including newsletters. Updates may promote, advertise or offer for sale items including school pictures, yearbooks, books, food programs, event tickets, fundraising events or items, or similar events or offers to sell goods and services.

We encourage our school community to subscribe to our website to save paper and comply with anti-spam guidelines. If you would prefer to receive a paper newsletter – please complete and return this form to your child's teacher as soon as possible.

I PREFER TO RECEIVE A PAPER COPY OF THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER (beginning in October 2017)

Student Name: _____

Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

