

### Mount Albion Elementary School

### **NEWSLETTER**

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### January 2018

Happy New Year to all of you! I hope that you have had a restful holiday with your family and friends. December was a very busy month at Mount Albion School and the school was buzzing with many activities. As we enter this New Year we will be preparing report cards for February. Our School Improvement Plan continues to focus on Math, Literacy and Positive School Culture and Well Being. I encourage you to have conversations with your children about what they are learning in school, create a calm area in your home where your child can complete any unfinished school work and read daily. Encourage your child to show you his/her school agenda daily so that you are aware of any homework, upcoming school events and Mount Albion news.

As winter is now upon us I remind you all to ensure that your child comes to school prepared for the winter weather. Winter coats, hats, mittens boots and indoor shoes are needed for this type of weather. Extra socks are also a good idea to have in your child's backpack as often times their socks get wet while changing out of boots.

Our contractors will continue to remove snow as best they can from our school parking lot. A reminder that we have to be very careful when driving through the parking lot. Please do not drop your child off in the middle of the parking lot and do not allow them to cross through the lot to get to your vehicles. The safety of our children is our top priority.

This month our school council will have a kick off assembly for their fundraiser. More information to follow.

Mrs. Giardino Principal





# FAMILY LITERACY DAY & PYJAMA DAY Thursday, January 25th



Cuddle up and read at school!

More info to follow from your child(s) homeroom teacher!



Next Pita Day event will be January 31st, 2018



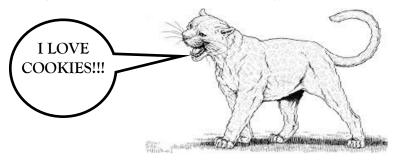
### PD DAY

Friday, January 26th



### Are you a COOKIE MONSTER?!?!

Well, if you answered YES to that question, have we got good news for you!



### **COOKIES AND COUGARS**

has come to Mount Albion!

Every Wednesday, on sale at 2nd Nutrition Break, outside of Mr. Duffy's classroom, ROOM 16.

Chocolate Chip, Oatmeal or White Chocolate Delite! MMMM!!!!!!

\$1.00 EACH

### **HALAL! KOSHER! TREE NUT FREE!!!!**

Profits will fund busses for Special Class trips



### NO SMOKING PLEASE



Just a reminder that smoking is not permitted anywhere on School or Board property at any time of the day or night. This by-law applies to staff, students, visitors and parents. It also includes the interior of your vehicle. The parking lot is considered school property according to the by-law. Please remember that we want to maintain a smoke-free environment.

### Dogs on School Property



Yes—our canine friends are cute and for the most part, we know that they are friendly. However, we must respect that some of our children are afraid of dogs, and having them close by causes stress and anxiety. We also know that dogs who are normally friendly can be startled by fast moving children and can snap at fingers and faces if startled.

We ask that you do not bring your family pets onto school property during school hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m..

Thanks for your understanding.

If you walk your dog on school grounds during the evenings or weekends, please remember to 'stoop and scoop'. We appreciate your support.



Please keep your child at home when they are sick. In cases of vomiting, please ensure they stay home for 24-hours once it has stopped. Thank you!

Please remember to pack forks and spoons in your child's lunch!



ALL visitors and parents must report to the office upon *entry* to the school.

Visitor Passes will be issued.



### PORTANT INFORMATIC







Reminder to parents and guardians to call the school office before 8:40 a.m., if your child is going to be late or absent from school due to an illness, appointment or a family holiday. It is the policy of the HWDSB to contact parents in the event that the student does not arrive at school and the school has not been notified about an absence or late arrival.

Please understand that **not all students begin their day with their homeroom teacher** so messages regarding attendance that are given to the homeroom teacher do not always make it to the office. A note to the office or a call to our 24hr answering machine (905-560-0908) will ensure that student absences will be received.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation with us in this important daily activity to make sure that your child arrives at school safely.

\*\*\*We would also ask that if your child needs to be excused early from school, that he/she brings a note to the office in the morning so we can have them properly signed out and ready for when they are to be picked up. This will help everyone to be organized and on time as much as possible. Thank you. \*\*\*

### **REMINDER!**



The morning bell rings at 8:40 a.m.

Please help your child(ren) be on time in the morning to ensure a full and uninterrupted school day.

### ACCESSIBLE PARKING



Please ensure the Accessible Parking spots in the upper and lower lots are left open for those who require those spaces.



### Follow Us on Twitter (@mountalbion)

One great way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Mount Albion School is to follow us on Twitter! Through our Twitter feed you will get frequent updates on life at Mount Albion School including important reminders, special events, community happenings, and student activities.

Follow us by going to www.twitter.com/mountalbion and clicking "Follow". You can also use the Twitter App to get updates sent straight to your Smart phone/device!



### **MEDICATION AT SCHOOL**

This is a reminder that the school cannot dispense medications without the signed authorization of both a parent/guardian and physician. This includes such items as cough syrup, Tylenol and other over the counter medications. Please ask the school office for the proper form for your doctor to complete for this purpose. We are sorry for any inconvenience or added expense this may cause, we must however follow HWDSB medical protocols.

### **Epi-Pen Reminder**







Please ensure your child always has their epi-pen and puffers, and that the one in the school office has not expired. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

## JANUARY 2018

### WINTER

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