

# PAULINE JOHNSON NEWS



**NOVEMBER, 2015**

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## **PRINCIPAL'S CORNER - Colin Hazell**

### **ATHLETICS:**

I want to extend my thanks to our coaching staff who have done a terrific job with our student athletes.

#### **Thanks to:**

Boys & Girls Baseball coaches - Mr Begley & Ms C Wilson

Jr Volleyball coaches - Mr McLean, Mrs Garrett, Ms Atkinson and Mlle Guidotto

Sr Girls Volleyball coach - Ms C Wilson

Swimming coaches - Mr Blunsdon, Mr McLean and Mrs C Campbell from our School Council.

### **NUTRITION PROGRAM:**

A special thanks is extended to our School Success Educational Assistant, Ms A Busse, who has run our Morning Snack Program. Ms Busse orders 2500 snacks per week and then coordinates volunteers to deliver 500 snacks daily to our classrooms.

### **ECO TEAM:**

A big thank you goes out to Ms H Tsui for her continued leadership and motivation for our Echo team and for their efforts to be leaders in Reducing, Reusing and Recycling here at Pauline Johnson.

### **PIZZA DAYS :**

Pizza days are typically every Friday at Second Nutrition Break at a cost of \$1.00 per slice.

At this time, pizza is sold in a couple of different ways.

- JK/SK classes ... Money is collected on Thursday and Friday mornings and the pizza is brought to the classroom.
- PJ North Gr 5 - 8 ... Pizza is sold in the front foyer
- PJ South Gr 1 - 4 ... Pizza is brought directly to each of our classrooms to be sold

Thanks again to Mrs C Campbell who helps with the Kindergarten orders on Thursday and Friday mornings, as well as helping to hand out pizza during lunch on Friday.

Thanks also to Mrs M Campbell, another parent who assists with these pizza days.

### **ADDITIONAL THANKS :**

Many thanks to our Caretaking staff for keeping our schools in great shape.

Thanks also to our office Administrators Mrs Llewellyn at Pauline Johnson South and Mrs Paterson at Pauline Johnson North who keep our school offices running so nicely.

### **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS THIS WEEKEND:**

Just a reminder that you will need to **turn your clocks back one hour** at 2 am on Sun, Nov 1st ... or before you go to bed on Saturday night, Oct 31st .



Many thanks for your continued support of Pauline Johnson School.

Colin Hazell, Principal

**TEAM UPDATES by Mr McLean:**

The Grade 4-6 Pauline Johnson volleyball team has had a great season so far, winning 5 games and losing 4.

Thanks to Mrs Garrett, Ms Atkinson and Ms Guidotto for their time spent coaching and acting as referees.

A big shout out to all the parents who have acted as drivers, scorekeepers and those who helped to prepare for our games.

Thanks to Mr. Blunsdon for organizing the first ever Pauline Johnson swim meet, held at the Hill Park Recreation Centre.

Thank you to our Grade 6 swim leaders, and to all the parents and friends who supported the event.

**PAULINE JOHNSON IS AN EDUCATION PLACE FOR MANY ...**

Every year we help educate many other people as well as our own students.

Here are some examples:

- ⇒ McMaster University Nursing students, who are supervised by a nurse from McMaster University.
  - \* Angela who works with Mrs Sullivan and her Gr 3 class
- ⇒ Co-op Education students from Henderson and Sherwood Secondary Schools
  - \* Sean Francis works with Mr McLean in the PJ South gym in the mornings.
  - \* Travis Hunter works with Mr McLean in the PJ South gym in the afternoons.
  - \* Amy Hillman who works with Mrs Banfield and her Gr 1 class
- ⇒ Teacher Candidates ...
- ⇒ Classroom Volunteers:
  - \* Marian Aldred who volunteers in our Library with Ms Guidotto
  - \* Kellie Brearley who worked with Mrs Busse on the Halloween Bake Sale
  - \* Emily Brown who works with Mrs Sullivan and her Gr 3 class
  - \* Erin McEniry who works with Mrs Brazel and her Gr 2 class
  - \* Stephen Middlebrook who works with Mr Hughes and his Gr 4 class

**LUNCHROOM RULES - A REMINDER**

- ◆ Remain seated in your own seats at all times
- ◆ Ask permission to leave seat if needed
- ◆ Eat and converse quietly
- ◆ Clean up your own eating areas
- ◆ Follow the Code of Conduct and demonstrate courtesy, respect, etiquette and safety
- ◆ Follow playground rules when outside
- ◆ Eat your own lunches — **DO NOT SHARE**

**LUNCHROOM ABSENCES**

Students are expected to be in their assigned lunchroom every break, unless, they are ill and absent from school. Lunchroom students are not allowed to leave the school property at lunch for any reason unless they have handed in a SIGNED AND DATED note from a parent to their classroom teacher in the morning.

**VISITORS**

Just a reminder to our school visitors that they need to report to the office upon arrival.

All school doors are kept locked during the instructional day as the safety of our children. Visitors to PJ need to use the buzzer at the front doors in order to gain access to the school. Safety . Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Parents are also asked to not enter a classroom unless they have made an appointment with the classroom teacher. Please arrange for an appointment to speak with a staff member when necessary.

Your assistance with this is greatly appreciated.

## **PARKING REGULATIONS**

We would like to remind parents not to drop off or pick up students directly in front of the school. This is a No Parking / No Stopping zone that is enforced regularly by the By-Law Officers with the City of Hamilton-Wentworth.

Congestion in this area isn't only against the law, but is also very dangerous both to students and drivers. Your assistance in this important safety issue will help to eliminate the chance of a serious accident.

We ask that parents not use the staff parking lots to drop-off or pick up students as this too is a safety issue.

We would also ask that parents not block the entrances to the staff parking lots, or our neighbours driveways with their vehicles when picking up their children in the morning, after school day or at lunchtime.

Students are not to walk / run through the staff parking lots at any time. This is a very serious safety concern, and we ask that parents reinforce with their child/children that the parking lot is for staff use only. Thank you.

## **VALUABLES AT HOME !!**

Reminder to keep all valuables at home! This includes but is not limited to ... Hand-held electronic devices and collectible cards!

Pauline Johnson School will not be responsible for any lost or stolen articles brought to school

## **PEDICULOSIS (HEAD LICE)**

Children at Pauline Johnson School are at times checked by Bayshore personnel to alleviate any problems with pediculosis.

Please note it is the responsibility of the parent to check their child's hair. If head lice are detected, please call the school. We ask that parents co-operate by administering effective treatments recommended by a pharmacist or medical practitioner when needed.

The form that is sent home with the student is to be completed and returned to the school office. There are two steps to be followed. Your child may return to school after the first step is completed and the form returned. Parents, however must follow through with the second steps. This is critical for successful treatment.

## **PICTURE RETAKE DAY (JK - Gr 6) is Tuesday, November 10, 2015**

Starting at 8:30 am

## **Public Health IMMUNIZATION Grade 7 & 8 ... Monday November 2, 2015.**

The grade 7 students, both boys and girls will receive the Hepatitis B vaccine and the Grade 8 girls only will receive the HPV vaccine .

## **2015 PUBLIC HEALTH COMMUNITY FLU CLINICS**

Face the flu. Get your shot. Protect yourself and the ones you care about.

For more information call 905-546-CITY (2489).

## **SCHOOL COUNCIL:**

Our School Council does not meet again until Thursday, December 3rd at 6:15 pm in the Learning Commons ... Everyone is welcome to attend.