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هذه المعلومات مهمة للوالدين ، يرجى ترجمة شخص لك إذا لزم الأمر .

Bu bilgiler, veliler için gerekirse birisi size tercüme lütfen önemlidir

Thông tin này là rất quan trọng cho phụ huynh, xin vui lòng có một người phiên dịch cho bạn nếu cần

Principal's Corner



Dear Parents and Guardians:

Another busy month has come and gone!

May and June promises to be a very busy time here at *Sir Isaac Brock* (see back page of this newsletter for important dates and events). The school population has remained relatively steady throughout this school year, and across the grades. It is projected that similar student numbers will be in place next year as well.

For me, I have seen many gains in the students, both in terms of their academic abilities and also their social development. I feel this indicates the balanced growth of our students in demonstrating empathy and personal support of one another. In addition, the positive relationships between home and school has been dynamic and helpful. This exists, in no short measure, because of our supportive parents, energetic staff, who focus on individual and group student needs.

Mr. Tye

Principal

Sir Isaac Brock Awards



Ms. Corbett's Class (JK / SK) Teerath G. for adjusting well to returning to a school environment after being away for a month; Declan M. for continued improvement in his academics; Allysa P. for increasing confidence daily in all aspects of our day

Mr. McDermid's Class (JK / SK) Simreet G., Dom K., Shreya S.

Miss Williams' Class (JK / SK) Joshua H., Victoria S., Hayden V.

Ms. Orr's Class (Grades 1 / 2) Allison E. for making a great effort in reading and classroom participation; Chris G. for making a great adjustment to our class; Angie R. for improvement in writing

Ms. Redden's Class (Grades 1 / 2) Initiative to learn at home and for setting goals to improve - Miah L., London L., and Damir T.

Miss Cianciolo's Class (Grades 2 / 3) Skyler C., Kayden W.

Ms. Tomic's Class (Grades 2 / 3) Nyota T., Liam W.

Mrs. Grybas' Class (Grades 3 / 4) Harneet G. for kindness and cooperation; Gureshaan G. for academic excellence in Science

Mr. Crouch's Class (Grades 4 / 5) Mya S., Joshua W.

Mrs. Platis' Class (Grades 4 / 5) Sandeep B., Wardah H., and Avery S. - for synergize; Samantha R. for forgiving

Mrs. Ross' French Class For collaboration - Madison C., Emma G., Delicia H.; For being forgiving - Sergej A., Elissa R.

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Pizza - every Wednesday (\$2 per slice)

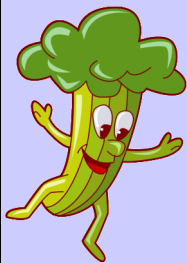
Popcorn - every Friday (\$2 per bag)

Pita Day - Friday, May 26th



Don't Judge A Vegetable By Its Colour!

The Health Action Team "Healthy Dragons" are leading a nutrition skit at the Friday, May 19th assembly. The skit will tell the story of some picky eaters and how some brave friends try to change their minds about vegetables and fruits! The assembly will be followed by the Healthy Dragons delivering a vegetable / fruit snack to each classroom during lunch break. Parents, please join us if you have time!



Earth Day Garage Sale News

A very big thank you to all parents, students, and teachers who donated so many items to our Earth Day Garage Sale and made this event a great success! Our students were excited about being able to purchase something on their own. Mrs. Redden's class, and some helpers from Ms. Tomic's class, overlooked the Garage Sale. They did a wonderful job counting money and given the correct change. With the one hundred and thirty five dollars (\$135) we raised, we are planning to buy bird seed, as well as mulch to protect the plants in our front garden from the summer heat. We are very proud of the efforts of our school community! Thank you!



EQAO

Between May 23rd and June 6th, EQAO primary assessment will be administered across Ontario to all Grade 3 students. The assessment will be broken down into three academic areas: reading, writing, and math. **Grade 3 parents will receive school specific information later in May regarding this year's assessment at Sir Isaac Brock.**

The following information is taken from Parents' Guide found on the EQAO (Education Quality and Accountability Office) website (www.eqao.com):

What is being tested? The province-wide tests measure the reading, writing, and mathematics skills your child has learned by the end of the primary (Grade 3), according to the expectations of *The Ontario Curriculum*.

Do all students take the tests? All Grade 3 and 6 students in Ontario are tested; however, some students with special education needs and some English as a second language or English literacy development learners may receive accommodations or exemptions. The testing process allows students to receive the same accommodations as they would receive in their daily classroom activities.

What will the tests look like?

Students complete three test booklets: one mathematics booklet, and two language booklets (reading and writing). The types of questions in the booklets will be familiar to your child, as they are based on work your child has been doing throughout the years leading up to the tests. EQAO publishes a framework document for each assessment that links tests to the curriculum expectations.



When and where are the tests administered? In 2017, the tests will be administered in late May, early June. Your child's school will choose the exact dates and times so that the test fits into your child's class and school routines. The tests are administered by your child's teacher in the regular classroom.

Will I receive my child's results? Yes, you will receive an Individual Student Report early in the fall of 2017 that will show your child's achievement as defined in *The Ontario Curriculum*.

What will the EQAO results tell me? EQAO results are a snapshot of your child's achievement in relation to the provincial standard, and are an objective, reliable indicator of how well your child is meeting the reading, writing, and math expectations defined in *The Ontario Curriculum*.



Transportation concerns? Call Hamilton Wentworth Transportation Services (HWTS) at (905) 523-2318.

Are You Moving?

If you already know you will be moving, or your child will not be coming to *Sir Isaac Brock School* in September, please email tdrage@hwdsb.on.ca, or call and leave a voicemail message at (905) 561-0223. We are planning



for next year, and appreciate your assistance in letting us know if your child will not be attending our school.

Victoria Day Long Weekend!

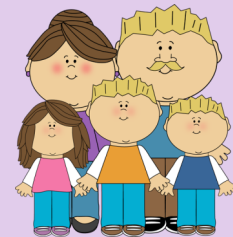
Victoria Day was first recognized in 1845 in honour of Queen Victoria (1819 - 1901) who was, at that time, the Queen of Great Britain (1837 to 1901). Annually, Victoria Day is celebrated on the last Monday before the 25th of May each year to not only honour Queen Victoria, but to honour the current reigning Canadian sovereign.



This year, Victoria Day will be celebrated Monday, May 22nd, and our school will be closed on that day in recognition of the holiday. Please enjoy your day off, and we look forward to seeing students and staff back on the 23rd.

No School (Victoria Day)

Monday, May 22nd



Read All About It!

Many parents ask "How can I help my child to become a better reader?" . There are a few simple steps:

- **Make time everyday to read together.** Twenty (20) minutes can make a world of difference. In the early, years this may be you reading to your child or your child reading a page and you read a page and, eventually you will have a chance to listen as your child tells you the story.
- **Make this time a time to connect with your child.** Life is so busy these days, it is a great time to snuggle up and read together and you never know what you will learn from the book that is chosen or what your child may share.
- **Talk about what you are reading.** Have your child tell you what they think will happen in the story before you read together. If your child stumbles on a word help them sound it out or ask "Does that sound right?" or "Does that make sense?" Ask your child about the problem in the story and how it was solved. Have your child tell you the main points of the story and maybe their favourite part.
- **Have fun!**

Need more ideas or information? Check this out ... [http://edu.gov.on.ca/eng/](http://edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideLitEn.pdf)

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Until next month and happy reading!



MAY 2017



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 (Day 1)	2 (Day 2)  Book Fair <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i>	3 (Day 3)  Book Fair Pizza Day (\$2) Chase the Future Trip (Miss Cianciolo's Class) <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i>	4 (Day 4)  Open House and Book Fair 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.	5 (Day 5)  Popcorn (\$2)
8 (Day 1)	9 (Day 2)  Jump Rope for Heart <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i>	10 (Day 3)  Pizza Day (\$2) <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i>	11 (Day 4) School (Group) Photo 	12 (Day 5)  Popcorn (\$2)
14  Mother's Day	16 (Day 2) <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i>	17 (Day 3)  Special Olympics Pita Orders Due Pizza Day (\$2) <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i>	18 (Day 4)  Special Olympics RAIN DATE School Council Meeting 10:35 a.m.	19 (Day 5)  Popcorn (\$2) Monthly Assembly Healthy Dragons Skit
22  Victoria Day (no school)	23 (Day 1)  Grad Photo Orders Due Today <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i> EQAO Testing (Grade 3)	24 (Day 2)  Pizza Day (\$2) Welcome to Kindergarten Information Night <i>For Parents NEW to Kindergarten ONLY</i> 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.  <i>Scholars (until 4:00 p.m.)</i> EQAO Testing (Grade 3)	25 (Day 3)  EQAO Testing (Grade 3)	26 (Day 4)  Popcorn (\$2)  Pita Day EQAO Testing (Grade 3)
29 (Day 5) EQAO Testing (Grade 3)	30 (Day 1) EQAO Testing (Grade 3)	31 (Day 2)  Pizza Day (\$2) EQAO Testing (Grade 3)		

EQAO (May 23rd - June 6th)

Absences and Extended Vacations

Just a friendly reminder to please keep us informed if your child will be absent due to an *early or extended vacation*, illness, an appointment, etc. Our phone lines are open 24-hours a day, and you can leave a detailed voicemail message by calling (905) 561-0814 at any time.

