



# Ancaster Meadow Elementary School

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The school year has come to an end. I have had a wonderful first year at the school. When I first arrived, I was welcomed with an amazing positive energy from staff, students, and parents. I hope all families feel the same positive energy and feel welcome at the school.

In reflecting back, it is amazing to think of all the things that have occurred at Ancaster Meadow during this time. With the efforts of our dedicated staff and the talents of our students both in and out of the classroom, I am impressed with the wide variety of activities that occurred. We had activities with visual arts, science, athletics, technology, music, and student leadership. Ancaster Meadow has something to offer everyone.

With the year coming to a close there are always some staffing changes. We wish Mr. Troisi, Mr. Resijan, Mr. Parente, and Mrs. Battenburg well in new teaching positions. Our long term occasional staff will also be leaving us: Ms. Julio, Ms. Klotz, Ms. Voorberg, and Ms. MacIntosh. As previously announced, Mr. Blunsdon will be starting as Principal of Hillcrest.

At this point in time, I would like to welcome Mrs. Mcewen (gr 6/7), Mrs. Johnson (Reading Specialist), Mrs. Paone (ESL), and Mrs. Skrypnik-Aird (ESL).

Students have received their final report cards and their class placement for next year. At the end of May, a posting went home through the weekly newsletter and on the website about a chance for parents to provide input into class placements. A number of parents took advantage of this opportunity. To ensure an organized process in a large school, no class moves will be considered at year end; any further class moves will only be considered as part of the wider class re-organization process at the end of September. If you have a concern about a class placement please email me at [sgoodacr@hwdsb.on.ca](mailto:sgoodacr@hwdsb.on.ca) this email will be kept on file for September consideration.

On the back of this letter you will see a few reminders for the end of school. There are some important reminders regarding transportation, Out of Catchment, and school calendar. For the most up to date information I always encourage parents to subscribe to the automatic email updates on the school website. <http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/ancastermeadow/subscribe/>

The summer months have the potential to offer exciting opportunities for students or a chance to rest, relax, and recharge. I hope all families enjoy some time to connect over the summer months. I'm sure I'll see some of you around the Ancaster baseball diamonds!

Have a wonderful summer,

Simon Goodacre, Principal