

# Gator Gazette

June 2025 - Final

#### Principal's Message

Hello Billy Green Families!

With this issue we have come to the final Gator Gazette for the 2024-2025 school year. It always amazes me to see the growth from the first day of school to the last. Our SKs start to look taller and like grade 1 students, the features of our junior students change to look just that more older...and our grade 6s and 7s start to look like the grade 7 and 8 students they will become. I am so truly excited to see them in September.

This past month has been a whirlwind of activities. We said farewell to our grade 8s at our first final clapout and commencement, our classes engaged in play days, theme days and trips and of course all students were handed their final report cards!

The summer is the time for families to come together and just slow down a bit. The number of lunches we need to make slows down (phew) and we get to spend the time with our children all along. As educators in the building, we shift from loving and encouraging 25 or more children to just being given the time to focus on simple daily things. Students don't have to worry about tests and assignments...they just get to think about when to wake up...and what to do next. It is a bitter sweet time indeed.

As principal, I would like to thank all of you for the privilege of allowing us to guide your child. We take pride in our Billy Green community and the joy that our students bring to us is indescribable. We are thankful for your support and for the relationships we continue to build. We wish you all an amazing summer!

Sincerely,

Ms. S. Beatrice

# Upcoming Dates

Week of August 25<sup>th</sup>: School Placement information available on Powerschool

August 25th: School Office Reopens

September 2: First Day of School



### Because you asked...June

Our final Because You Asked question came from Mrs Lubertino's class! What would you say to your younger self?



#### Hugable Lane

Our primary hallway has been a unique one. Here you will find such kind and hearts-wide-open students. Very rarely can you walk by without having someone wrap their hands around you for a hug. And this small act turned this hallway as being known and named "Hugable Lane". It not only offers hugs but it includes their own generated hallway sign too!





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#### Class Placements

Class placements with Educator Names will be available to all families on PowerSchool starting on August 25<sup>th</sup>.

To access the teacher name, simply enter PowerSchool, click on Attendance and you will see the name of your teacher. On the first day of school, teachers will be out side with their sign so that you will be able to find them! Another reminder will be send towards the end of August.

## Special Thank you to Mrs. D. Jervis

We would like to give a personal shoutout to Mrs. Jervis. She has been a longtime member of our School Council...but even more importantly she has been the one for the last few years who has worked diligently to transform our gym space for our Grade 8 Commencement. The space looked so beautiful and we are thankful for her balloon skills!



#### Be You, Be Excellent

This month of June we celebrated and recognized students who demonstrated all of our values of compassion, trust, dignity and joy! Congratulations goes out to...

G Street

Z Borghesan

E Daiken

**B** Catedral

A Shantry

O Badiru

A Pederson

Z Khan

K Forester

J Healy

S Dhananjeyan

S Meas

C Vallely

N Harden

J Andrighetti

M Salim

C Forester

M Khan

E Jancar

Z Henry

T Quinn

S Chaturvedi N Forester

K Sibai

A Rehman

K Glass

N Mederios R Or-Sem

# Thank you for supporting our Grade 8 Clap-out!

Thank you to our Billy Green community for supporting our farewell clapout to our grade 8s. I don't think anyone anticipated the pride and joy and volume of emotion that would come from a simple last walk.



#### Thank you School Council

A special thank you to the hard work and dedicated team of parents and loved ones who supported and shared their voice on School Council this year. If you haven't already done so – please check out their annual report on the website. Because of their support we were able to make significant purchases for coding kits, FDK sensory bins, school trips and more! THANK YOU!



## First Day of School 2025-2026

A reminder that the HWDSB has released its calendar and our first day of school for September is **Tuesday September 2**<sup>nd</sup>. A link to the calendar can be found here: <u>Elementary-2025-26-Calendar.pdf</u>

## Billy Green is the LOVE OF READING Indigo Recipient

We are so incredibly excited to share that Billy Green has been selected for the Indigo Love of Reading Grant and Fundraising Program. Stay tuned for more information about how to support our fundraiser coming in September!

