



Central Elementary School

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October, 2018 Newsletter

Greetings! October has started and the classes are settling nicely.

We look forward to participating in the **Terry Fox Walk**, on October 4th (Rain Date is Friday, October 11th). Thank you to Mr. Bouwman and Ms. Scharf for organizing and running this event. Please feel free to donate to this worthy cause – for more information, please see the following website: <http://www.terryfox.org>



SAFETY REMINDERS:

No Nuts or Nut Products Please: We have several children who have life threatening allergies. Please check all foods and food packages to be sure they do not contain any nut products, or nut oils. Note, this does include Nutella. Thank you.



Please be sure to drop off and pick up your children at the following times as we do not have supervision at the school outside of these times. Thank you.

Drop Off: 8:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.
Pick Up: 3:05 pm.





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Absences/Lates: Please call the school to let us know the following:

- Child's name
- Reason for absence/late (and timelines)
- Child's grade
- Child's teacher

Please **call the school prior to the absence**, so we know that they are safe. We will now be doing our attendance electronically, and if we have not received a reason for your child's absence, you will receive a phone call from our Synrevoice System.

Checking in at the Office: In order to visit our school, please ring the buzzer, and **upon entry go directly to the office** to check in. If you are dropping off something for your child, please leave it at the office, and we will deliver it to your child. Thank you.

No students are permitted in the school before and after school hours (unless they are enrolled in the YWCA Before/After School Program). This is very important. We have had students running in our halls, jumping down stairs, and vandalizing our bathrooms. This is of course a great safety concern. We cannot be responsible for students in our building before and after school hours. Thank you very much for helping with this matter.

Parking Lot:

- Please monitor your child(ren) as you walk around or enter our parking lot.
- When driving in the parking lot, please follow the directional arrows in the parking lot. Thank you.
- Also, please do not stop in the travel areas of the parking lot. If you must stop, please do so in a parking spot.
- Please be PATIENT.
Thank you.



Avoid Traffic Jams, and **Walk to School**. This, of course, has the added benefit of a healthy and active lifestyle!

Lice: Head lice are tiny bugs that live only on the scalp of human beings and are the size of a pinhead. They do not have wings so they cannot fly or jump, and they are not found on cats, dogs or any other household pets. The bites from head lice can cause itching and scratching. Scratching may cause sores which can get infected. Anyone can get head lice. School children get lice more than adults. When children play, their heads often touch. Lice crawl from head to head. Head lice are spread by direct head to head contact only.



**Walk to School on October 3rd and
Wear YELLOW**



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(*Facts of Lice*, 2003, Hamilton Public Health and Community Services Department). Based on the current medical research, it is essential that head lice be **treated with two applications** of an approved pediculocide seven days apart. As long as the treatment has been administered properly, the presence of nits does not necessarily indicate an active infestation. Additional information can be obtained from:

City of Hamilton Public Health Services
Phone: 905-546-CITY (905-546-2489)
Email: publichealth@hamilton.ca

IMPORTANT DATES: Please see the attached **calendar** for the important dates for this October.

Thanksgiving: October 8, 2018 – **NO School**

Meet the Teacher: October 4, 2018 between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Halloween Parade: We will hold our annual Halloween Parade on Wednesday, October 31, 2018. Students are welcome to wear their costumes on October 31st to school. Please note, we **cannot** permit any toy **weapons** (e.g., swords, knives, guns, sticks, etc.) or **masks** at school. The parade will proceed outside around the school yard in the morning, should any parents/family members wish to watch.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

The **first School Council Meeting** will be held on **October 10, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.** in the main office. Please remember to submit your **nomination forms** to the office before October 5, 2018 at 3:15 p.m. The forms were sent out with the September Newsletter. If you need another copy, please pick one up at the office.

Future meetings will be determined at the first School Council Meeting.



PICTURE DAY

October 22, 2018
Bring your Smile!