



October COLLEGIATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE!

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Monday, October 9th!

No school – enjoy time with family and friends!



PICTURE DAY



Monday, October 23rd is Picture Day!

Please bring your biggest smiles!

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY:



Wear Black and Yellow on

Friday, October 6th

PA Day – No School

PA Day on **Friday, October 20th!**

No school for students! 😊

PIZZA DAY - \$2.00 per slice

Pizza will be sold every Wednesday for \$2.00 per slice. Please have money to office by **9:15 a.m.** as late orders cannot be accepted.



SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING



Monday, October 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome to join us!

Council Executive:

Chair: Kelsey Clohecy

Secretary: Jackie Atkinson

Treasure: L. Barzetti

Staff: J. Duvnjak, H. Dempsey

SCHOOL SAFETY



Parents, just a reminder that the front of the school building



has **No Parking** and **No Stopping** signs. Several students cross at the crosswalk, and we are having parents/guardians stopping their cars, making and creating an unsafe environment for our students. This is a safety concern for our students. ****Vehicular traffic in School bus loading zones is prohibited.**

Please take every possible opportunity to show appreciation and respect for the service that school bus drivers provide.



Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for keeping the safety of our students a priority.

SWIM TEAM



Our Swim Team is getting ready for their season! Thank you to our coaches **Mme. Knezevic, Mrs. Archibald, & Mrs. Dempsey** for all their time and effort preparing our team!

Go Collegiate Grizzlies!

FOOD DRIVE



Food Drive

Please donate canned/dry goods for our Collegiate Food Drive to be donated to the Stoney Creek Food Bank **October 3rd – 13th**

Thank you in advance for your support!

VOLLEYBALL TEAMS



Our Volleyball Teams have been practicing very hard for the season. We know all our students will display great effort, dedication, and enthusiasm while representing *Collegiate Elementary School* in a positive manner. **Thank YOU** to our coaches, **Mr. Duvnjak, Mr. Myers, Mr. Roth, Mme. Knezevic, Mrs. Archibald, Mrs. Simunic, & Mrs. Dempsey** for all their time and effort preparing our team so they are ready for success! Go Collegiate Grizzlies!

CROSS COUNTRY TEAM

Our Cross-Country Team will be practicing very hard for our meet on **Friday, October 13th**!



We know all our students will display great effort, dedication, and enthusiasm while representing *Collegiate Elementary School* in a positive manner. **Thank YOU to Ms. Babineau, Mrs. Bernard, and Mr. Duvnjak** for all their time and effort preparing our team! Go Collegiate Grizzlies!

STUDENT ACTION TEAM

Our Student Leaders will be organizing many initiatives such as Get Up Grizzlies! Spirit Days, Dances, etc. Stay tuned 😊

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Today's Family Program will be running from 7:00 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. and 3:05 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Families can register for both the before and after school program, and the early learning and child care program - [click here](#).

One of our placement team members, will connect with families once they register to confirm spaces. Families can connect with team members at childcare@todaysfamily.ca

Should families not have access to technology, you can call them to complete the registration process at (905) 574 – 9344 ext. 112.

ATTENDANCE CHECK – ABSENT OR LATE

If your child is absent or late, please use either...



Safe Arrival Program

- Website, App, or Phone
- Learn more about Safe Arrival at www.schoolmessenger.com/safearrival

Call the School Directly

- Call the school at **(905) 662-2990**. State your child's name, grade, teacher, reason, and length of absence.

These services are available 24 hours, seven days a week. When your child is going to be absent, it is essential for your child's safety to notify the school. If we do not receive a notification and your child is absent, our automated attendance notification program will call your home and send you an email to inform you of your child's absence. We ask you call the school or use the Save Arrival Program to explain the reason for the absence.

CANNABIS, TOBACCO, VAPING

Smoking cannabis or tobacco and vaping any substance is prohibited anywhere on school property and in public areas within 20 metres of the perimeter of the school grounds. If you are caught smoking or vaping in school or on school property, you may be ticketed and fined.

Fines start at \$305

CLASSROOM KLEENEX BOXES



As we continue with allergy season and move into cold and flu season, we would appreciate if all students could bring in a box of Kleenex to add to our classroom supply! Tissues are in great demand at school and we appreciate your support. Let's reduce the spread of germs and always use a tissue when needed. Thank you!



SECURE SCHOOLS

At Collegiate Elementary School, we will be practicing our **"Lockdown - Secure Schools Procedure" Wednesday, October 18th**

A Lockdown is used when there is a potential risk of harm to people within, or outside the school setting. Although one can never predict when a violent or potentially harmful situation may arise, schools can prepare for responding to such an incident through intentional, scheduled practices, much like what we do with Fire Drills. The goal of the practice is to minimize the risk for staff and students during a time of crisis. In the event of a "real" lockdown, the Hamilton Police Services will be responding to the situation. All staff, students and volunteers who are regularly in the school buildings are required to know the procedures. The students will have the Lockdown Procedures explained to them ahead of time and the school will practice this procedure twice per year.

The following terms and language will be used to ensure everyone is using the proper terminology.

"HOLD AND SECURE" – Used when the school is secured due to an ongoing situation outside and not related to the school (e.g. bank robbery near a school)

- The school continues to function normally, with the exterior doors locked until the situation is resolved
- Staff member posted at each entrance
- All movement in and out of the school is restricted
- Exterior facing windows should be covered or blinds drawn, lights dimmed, where possible
- School most likely to be notified by Hamilton Police Services

"SHELTER IN PLACE" – Used for an environmental, or weather-related situation, where it is necessary to keep all occupants within the school to protect them (May be recommended by HES-Fire). Examples may include chemical spills, blackouts, explosions or extreme weather conditions

- People enter and remain in a building with the doors and windows closed
- Fans including heating and air conditioning units, should be turned off to prevent air from outside entering the building
- Normal operations may continue within the building

"LOCKDOWN" – Used when there is a major incident or threat of school violence within the school, or in relation to the school

- Threat is inside the school, or is on school property, and poses an immediate threat to the students and staff
- Follow current lockdown procedures
- All movement in and out of the school and within the school is restricted
- Doors remain open to permit police immediate entry
- The "Safe Location" for our school is St. John Henry Newman Catholic Secondary School

The above terminology is used to ensure consistency across the province. Common language across the province allows for easy integration when staff, students and other emergency service personnel are transferred from one jurisdiction to another. Along with this information being presented at school, we encourage parents to talk with their children about the need to always be safe well prepared for an emergency situation.