

# **Dundana Elementary School**

PROUD SCHOOL OF HAMILTON-WENTWORTH DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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# October 2017 Newsletter

## **Notes from the Principal**

With one month already completed in our 2017-2018 school year, we are off to a great start! It has been a whirlwind month of activity and October promises even more excitement. It has been a pleasure getting to know the new students, staff and families who have joined us this year. If you haven't had a chance to meet your child's teacher, please plan to drop into our Meet the Teacher event on October 4 from 5:30 to 7:00. Progress report interviews are just around the corner on November 2 and 3, so you will soon also have an opportunity to sit down with teaching staff and review your child's progress.

#### For All The Latest News

The school website is your best source for all of the latest information about Dundana School. Please consider subscribing to receive notifications whenever new information is posted. If you are looking for quick reminders and to get a glimpse into what's happening here, please follow Dundana School on twitter @DundanaSchool.

#### **Volunteering at Dundana**

A reminder to all our volunteers from previous years. HWDSB does require yearly renewal of volunteer status. If you have submitted a police check in the last few years, you will only need to fill in a Volunteer Agreement and an Offence Declaration. Police checks need to be renewed every three years. Many of our classes and teams are beginning to plan trips and events that require volunteers. If you haven't been a volunteer at Dundana before, you will need a vulnerable sectors volunteer police check (within six months of issue), volunteer profile and volunteer agreement. Please visit the main office or see the school website for the forms.

#### **Scholastic Book Fair**

Fall is a great time to curl up with a new book. The first Scholastic Book Fair of the school year will be at Dundana on October 4. Students will be able to attend with their class and make purchases during the school day on the 4<sup>th</sup>, or families can plan to attend and shop together during Meet the Teacher. This is a fundraiser that puts new books into our classrooms. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

### **School Council**

Dundana School Council met on September 18 and elected a new executive and group of members to support the school. Your Co-chairs are Adrienne Osfolk and Simon Carroll. While this hard-working group of people are willing to serve in this capacity, they need your help! Please consider volunteering for some Council initiatives (e.g. Meet the Teacher BBQ, movie nights, Holiday dinner) or plan to attend the monthly meetings. Meetings will generally be held the first Wednesday each month, beginning in November. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 11 at 6:30 p.m.

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### **Lost and Found**

Our school Lost and Found container is located in the front foyer of the school, just to the side of the entry doors. Please check this box regularly if your child has lost shoes, boots, jackets, clothing items, or water bottles. We try to look through the items and get them back to students when names are on them, but the vast majority of items aren't labelled. Unclaimed items are taken away from the school at the end of each month, due to a lack of storage space. We would rather get your items back to you, so please check the box and add labels to your child's personal items.

#### **Calendar of Events**

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Oct 3	Bus Safety Assemblies, period 1 (Gr 4-5) and Period 2 (K-3)
Oct 4	Frootogo Trip, K classes
Oct 4	Meet the Teacher, 5:30 – 7:00
Oct 4	School Council Dinner on the Playground, 5:30 – 7:00
Oct 4	Scholastic Book Fair, during the day for students and 5:30 – 7:00 for families
Oct 9	Thanksgiving holiday, no school
Oct 11	School Council Meeting, 6:30, library
Oct 13	Spirit Day – Wear a Jersey/Team Colours
Oct 25	Dyments Farm Trip, Gr 1 classes
Oct 27	Celebration Assembly, 9:10 a.m., gym

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