



# GATESTONE JUNE NEWSLETTER

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Gatestone Newsletter

June 2018

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Community,

A very successful year has come and past once again. We have many things to celebrate this year these are just a few. Our Dance and Basketball teams enjoyed over-all winner and championship status as well as Abby C winning the HWDSB Oral Communication Festival for the 2017-18 school year. Our Drama club put on several performances this year and we are looking forward to next years events. We achieved great success towards the HWDSB's and Gatestone's strategic direction of all student's reading by end of grade one. Well done students for persevering and to the staff for the outstanding work making our goals reality. We continue to work together to learn how best to support all students in math, and will continue to set high standards in the future.

A few reminders for 2018-19

1. A reminder to our Courtesy Transportation students, your transportation ends June 29, 2018. You will need to reapply in September 2018.
2. A supply list will come home with the report cards in June.
3. Your child's teacher for next year will be on the report card in June.

Finally, a new staff list is on page 2. This is accurate up to the time of printing but may change. I would like to welcome back Mrs Turner who is returning this September following her mat leave. We would like to thank Mrs Burliegh for her service the past few months. We are excited to announce that she will continue working in the elementary panel as VP of Mountainview. Lastly, it is with a sense of sadness but also one of gratitude, that I announce I will be leaving Gatestone for Prince of Wales starting September 2018. I have come to care deeply for this community and could not have asked for a better place to be a Principal. Mrs. Kelly Reilly-Scott will be your new Principal. I know that she is very eager to be here and I know you all will welcome her as warmly as you did with me. It has been a privilege to serve.

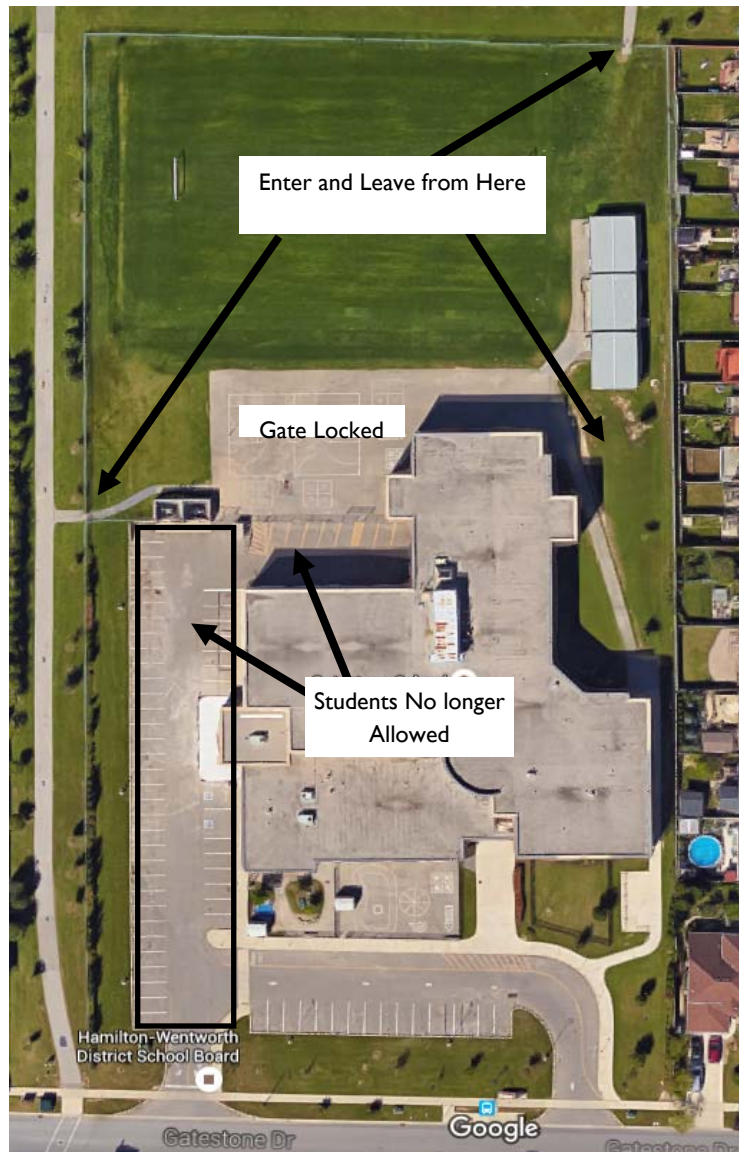
Enjoy the summer, have a safe and happy holiday.

M.Castellani

Staff	Assignment
Benedict, K.	FDK A—Teacher
Pliura, M. / Tortula, K.	FDK B—Teacher / DECE
Schmidt, K. / Pauls, S.	FDK C—Teacher / DECE
Vinall, G. / Boutcher, B.	FDK D—Teacher / DECE
Whittle, J.	Grade 1A
Nighswander, J. - LTO—TBA	Grade 1B
Cino, R.	Grade 12A
Brown, A.	Grade 2A
O'Marra, C.	Grade 2B
Flis, A.	Grade 23A
Macnab, A.	Grade 3A
Nash, C.	Grade 3B
Kuczerepa, M.	Grade 34A
Johnson, P.	Grade 4A
Gould, B.	Grade 4B
Bartlett, M.	Grade 56A
Lamarre, J.	Grade 5B
Taylor, J.—LTO—TBA	Grade 5A
Morrallee, K.	Grade 6A
McEwen, R.	Grade 6B
Penner, J.	Grade 7A Math/Eng/Drama plus all Middle School Art
Vlietstra, R. - LTO—TBA	Grade 7B Math/Eng/Drama plus 7A and 7B science
Whitley, L.—LTO—TBA	Grade 78A Math/Eng/Drama plus 78A,8A,8B Science
Hau, M.	Grade 8A Math/Eng/Drama plus all Middle School Music
Graham, S.	Grade 8B Math/Eng/Drama plus all Middle School His/Geog
Outhwaite, D.	Class 68
Barber, M.	Learning Commons Coverage
Dunstall, L.	Learning Resource
Moore, M.	Learning Resource
TBA	Junior French
McCormack, S.	Gr 6 French, Primary/Junior Coverage
Verbeek, A.	Grade 6-8 French
Lane, D.	Physical Education
Murray, D.	Physical Education
Burke, C.	Educational Assistant
Barnett, P.—LTO—TBA	Educational Assistant
Kersley, K.	Educational Assistant
Lebel, K.—LTO—TBA	Educational Assistant
Gatehouse, N.	Educational Assistant
Matchem, S.	Educational Assistant
McLean, T.	Educational Assistant

## Students Entering and leaving the Playground Beginning and End of Day

Students may enter from the gate along the south city path, the west back gate or the north walkway beside the building. The parking lot fenced area will have gates added and will be locked. This is for the safety of our students. A picture below shows the changes.



## WARM WEATHER PRECAUTIONS AND DRESS CODE

We hope June brings lots of sunny days, but with the sun comes high UV days.

To keep your child safe, please apply sunscreen (SPF 50 is recommended) before school and ensure that they have a hat to protect their faces from the sun.

It is also recommended that every student brings a refillable water bottle to school.

We will watch students closely if the weather becomes very hot and if the Humidex hits 44C, we will have the students stay inside rather than going out for Nutrition Break.

Sunny days also bring summer clothes.

Please be mindful that we need to follow the Dress Code: no short shorts, tube tops, spaghetti straps or muscle shirts.

Our School Twitter feed sends an automated weather update daily at 8:00. As with any weather report, it could be subject to error or a change in weather conditions.



## Grade 8 Graduation Info

Gatestone will commemorate Grade Eight Graduation in our traditional manner with a ceremony followed by a Student Dinner and Dance. Please mark the following dates in your calendar:

Graduation Rehearsal: Tuesday June 19th, 2018, 1:40—3:20pm

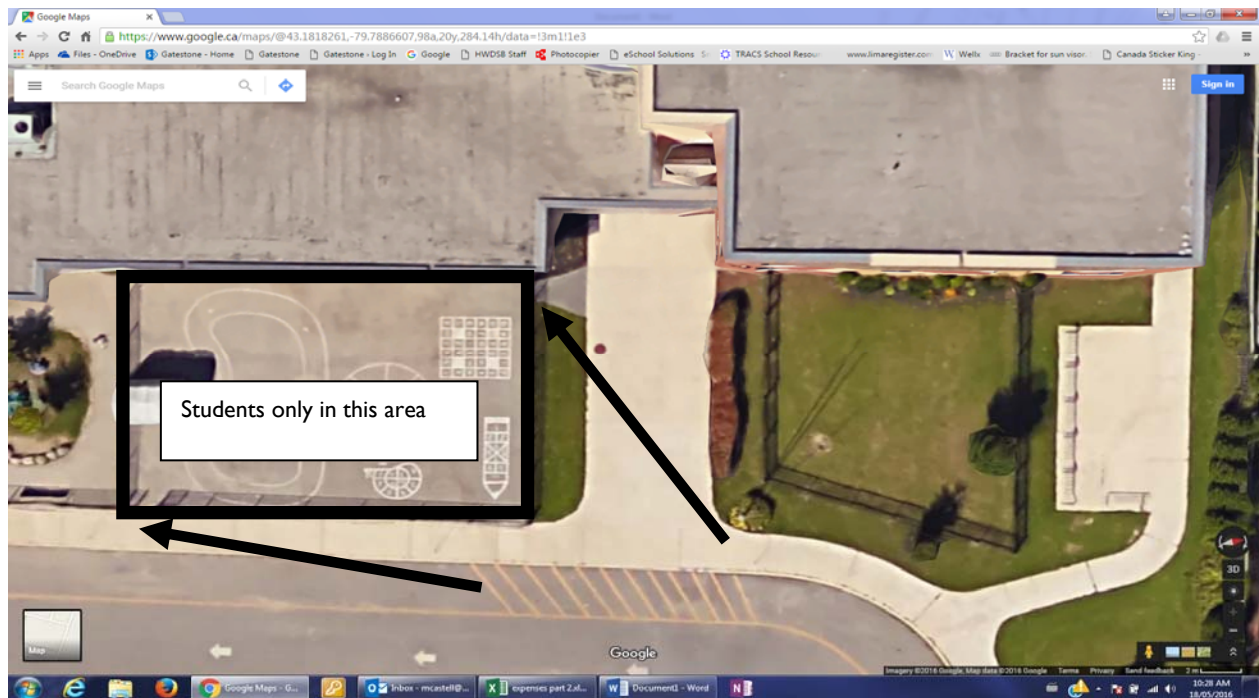
Graduation Ceremony: Wednesday June 20th starting at 5:00- Family Reception 6:15—6:45 @ Gatestone School

Student Dinner/Dance: Wednesday June 20th from 7:00 to 10:00 pm @ Grand Olympia, Stoney Creek

## JK/SK Drop Off and Pick Up Procedures

As part of our plan to maintain a safe environment for all our students, we will be making a change to the drop off and pick up areas for our JK/SK kids. This change is consistent with what many other schools are already doing. It is also based on our learning about maintaining a safe environment after the unfortunate event at Earl Kitchener a couple years back. We already implement the safe hand off procedure and will continue to do so in the future.

Starting in September 2018, parents will no longer be allowed to enter the JK/SK area to pick up or drop off students. See the black square on the map below.



All parents will remain outside the fenced area.

### AM Procedure:

Supervision starts at 8:45 am. If you arrive earlier than that please remain outside the playground area. When supervision arrives, students can be dropped off at the gate. You can remain until the bell rings, but you will need to stay outside the playground.

### PM Procedure:

Students will be dismissed from the pen or from outside the front entrance. This is the hand off to known, authorized, adults only. Again parents are to remain outside the playground area. Handoff will occur at the gates.

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2018**

**GATESTONE  
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SCHOOL**

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PRINCIPAL**

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Dance a thon	2
3	4 78A to Spilts-ville	5 Crazy Sock Day Soccer Tourn Pita Pit Lunch	6 Special Olym- pics	7  Election in Gym Soccer Tourn	8 PD Day No School	9
10	11 Sr Track and Field Appetitie and Applause Lunch	12 Band Concert Subway Lunch	13 Grade 8 and Band & Won- derland FDK @ Soc- cerworld	14  11:30 Talent Show	15 Grade 8 Picnic	16
17	18 Gr 1 and 68 & African Lion Safari Gr 2 & Lego- land	19 Grade 8 Re- hearsal Quesada Lunch JR Track and Field	20 Grade 8 Grad	21  Gr 4-6 & Camp Marydale	22 Gr 3 @ Crawford Lake Gr 7 & Alcatraz escape room Volunteer Tea FDK McDonalds Lunch Empower and LLI Celebration	23
24	25 Report Cards go Home FDK Picnic	26 Playday	27 Positive School Cli- mate Pizza day	28 Last Day of School	29 PD Day Summer Vacation	30

**Key Dates for September 2018**

**First Day Back Gr 1-8 Sept 4 2018**

**First Day Back Year 2 FDK Sept 5 2018**