



**COMMUNITY LETTER: Community News,
Updates and Reminders
September 5, 2025.**



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Dear Detwiler Community,
Below are the updates for September 5, 2025.

Have a great weekend!
Regards,

Kwame Djan & Lynda Southon

Start of the year forms

Please log in to the Parent Portal immediately to complete the required start-of-year forms. In addition, important documents have been sent home from the office that require your prompt attention. It is critical that these forms are completed as soon as possible to ensure we have the most accurate and up-to-date information on file for your child. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our office team—Ms. Lane or Ms. Smith—without delay.

Parent council meeting and elections

School council elections will be held in-person on **September 23, 2025, from 6:30-7:30**. If you would like to be considered as an elected council member, complete the nomination form below. Forms are due no later than **September 19, 2025**. School Council involvement is a great way to support your child's education, and we look forward to working together.

[Nomination Form](#).

Orangs Shirt Day – National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

Tuesday, September 30th is both Orange Shirt Day and the National Day for Truth & Reconciliation Day. Students are encouraged to wear an orange shirt, if possible, to honour Survivors of Residential Schools and center intergenerational healing and wellness. By wearing an orange shirt on September 30th, we commit to the enduring truth that EVERY CHILD MATTERS, every day and everywhere.

Bicycle, scooter, skateboard safety

In Ontario, all cyclists under the age of 18, are legally required to wear a certified bicycle helmet as mandated by the province's Highway Traffic Act. Please ensure that your child is wearing a helmet if they are riding a bicycle, scooter, skateboard, etc. to school.

Safety around kiss 'n' ride

- **Do** use the visitor parking lot to park your vehicle, and walk younger children to their designated waiting areas



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- Do utilize the kiss 'n' ride, as a drop off, **ONLY** for students who can independently unbuckle their seatbelts and disembark from the passenger side of the vehicle, and walk or will be received by their teachers in their designated waiting areas
- Do **not** block the entry and exit way of the guest/childcare parking lot

Mobile Devices

Students must not use their **personal electronic devices** (e.g., cell phones, laptops, and tablets) during the instructional day. The expectations are that **Kindergarten to Grade 8 students** must have their devices **stored out of view and powered off (or on silent mode)** throughout the full instructional day (school day), including nutrition breaks. Communication with your child/ren during the school day should be done through our front office staff.