



# Mount Albion Elementary School

## NEWSLETTER

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A Message from the Principal:

The warmth of summer has arrived early, and the last month of this school year is now upon us!! Reflecting back, we are amazed at how quickly the time has gone from September until now. As I walk through the classrooms and hallways I see student work and artwork proudly displayed by our students. Students in Grades 3 and 6 are just about finished with their EQAO Assessments, and I'm so proud of how hard they have worked to showing their knowledge, skills and thinking. Our students continue to participate in sports and other extra-curricular activities on a regular basis. Year-end trips are being organized by class or division. We will be busy with all kinds of activities and events right up to the end of the month, including our Talent Show on June 14<sup>th</sup>. I'm so happy that we are able to host an evening performance this year! Our Grade 8 students graduate from elementary school on June 23<sup>rd</sup>! We are so proud of our graduates, and wish them well as they finish off their "elementary school career", and prepare for high school.

Open House has come and gone and I want to thank our families so much for coming out and showing your Cougar Spirit and commitment to our school!! We raised about \$1000 from the Basket Silent Auction to help support our June Play day! Thanks go out to our School Council members this year who have volunteered their time and effort for so many family interactive workshop sessions at the school. The last family night event is a movie night on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Your "pay what you can" donations at the door will help School Council with its traditional support of grade 8 Graduation Citizenship Awards, and other school initiatives that are supported by School Council.

Please help your child continue those healthy lifestyle choices of playing outdoors and getting exercise outside of school hours while still maintaining routines for any homework and getting lots of sleep as the days grow longer. This helps sustain a focus on good work habits at school in the last 4 weeks of learning.

Please be aware that there is a "Heat Event Protocol" for schools to follow on those extra-hot days that occur this time of year. You can check out the details of the protocol on the HWDSB public website. Teachers encourage hydration as a regular practice here at Mount Albion, but please send your child to school with a refillable water bottle if you aren't doing so already! Please also take a few moments to review the **Dress Code** in your child's agenda. Of particular concern is students wearing those soft-soled "flip flops" sandals, as they provide so little support for feet and ankles when students are running about at recess, during DPA, and/or in Phys Ed. AND.....don't forget to apply sun screen! **NO AEROSOL** bottles of sunscreen are permitted at the school....Thanks.

Let me take this opportunity to wish you well for a wonderful summer holiday this year. Last day of school is June 29<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday). Students will learn their new class placement on the last day of school, and have an opportunity to spend the last 20 minutes of the day in their new room, and if possible meet their new teacher. Then we say "farewell" and "see you....in September!" (Yes, I know some of you are singing that certain song by "The Tempos"!)

Mrs. C. E. MacKenzie  
Principal



# CLASS OF 2016



## Grade 8 Graduation

**Thursday, June 23, 2016**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Paramount Alliance Church  
1035 Paramount Drive**

**Dinner & Dance to follow at  
Marquis Gardens on Rymal Road**

**DETAILS COMING SOON!**



# Canada's Wonderland Music Festival

On Friday, June 17th, our band and choir are performing at the festival at Canada's Wonderland. Good luck!!



## Mount Albion Music

It has been another successful and musical year for Mount Albion Music! The Mount Albion Concert Band has a lot to be proud of so we like to share some highlights from this year. Rehearsing once a week since September has paid off and resulted in some great performances. First, we performed Majestic March for the Remembrance Day Assembly in November. In April, we performed as part of a four school combined band at the HWDSB Band Fest and set the record for the biggest band to perform with 75 students on stage. We rocked Power Rock and Furioso for that performance. We got lots of great feedback from our adjudicator and the audience was impressed! Next, we will be heading off to perform at the Wonderland Music Fest in June as a combined band again. We will perform our polished versions of Power Rock and Furioso and have added Mickey Mouse March to the repertoire. Congratulations to all our talented band members! Thanks for all your hard work this year!

S. Honeyford  
System Itinerant Instrumental Music Teacher  
Mount Albion, Taplextown, Queensdale, and Ridgemount





## EASTDALE SCHOOL BASEBALL TOURNAMENT

*\*Junior and Senior Girls will be playing Monday June 16th*

*\*Junior and Senior Boys will be playing Tuesday June 17th*

*Good Luck to all of our teams!*

## JUNE SUMMER FUN & SPIRIT DAY

*Our last spirit day of the year will be on Monday June 27th. It is called "**Summer Fun Day**" so staff and students are encouraged to wear hats, shorts, Hawaiian leis, sunglasses, etc! Don't forget sunblock, water bottles and appropriate footwear as we will be outside for the day.*



## Silent Auction Open House Baskets

Thank you to everyone who came out and participated in our Silent Auction Basket Raffle at Open House. Your generosity to donate so many wonderful items really helped make the raffle fun! Another thank you to those families who bid on baskets, can you believe that we raised \$1000!?! We will be using some of our funds to help make our June Summer Fun Day on Monday June 27th even better. Way to go Mount Albion!



## TALENT SHOW

Mount Albion will be presenting their Annual Talent Show on Tuesday, June 14th! We have a super skilled and veritably varied group of amazing acts for your enjoyment!

We welcome parents to join us at 6:30 p.m. in the gymnasium for a mesmerizing perfor-

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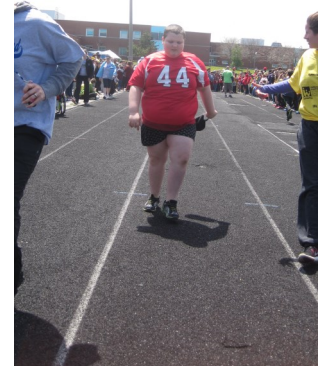


New to JK Parents Meeting will be held on Thursday, June 9 in Room 104 at 8:40 a.m. This session is for parents whose children will be coming to JK in the fall. This is for parents only. We will provide you with information about the FDK program and will give you an opportunity to sign up for a "Play Date" appointment for September 6. If you are unable to attend, please call the school after June 9 to set up and appointment. For additional questions, please contact Ms. Carne.

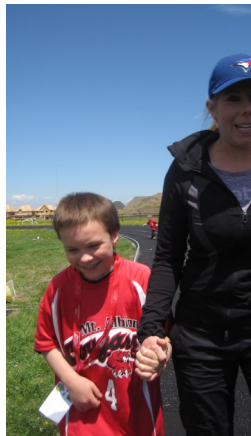




### Special Olympics



**A great time was had by all at the 11th annual Special Olympics at Saltfleet on May 17th. Almost 20 students from Mount Albion participated in a variety of sporting events and races throughout the day. The theme this year was "We are all Champions". Our students were certainly champions! Thanks to Mrs. Cumming for organizing this exciting day for our students. Thanks to the EA's who went above and beyond to make this day successful for everyone. Thanks to the parents who stopped in to cheer. Thanks to the students for representing Mount Albion so well. Whoop Whoop!!**



# Sunday, June 19th, 2016

To the important father, uncle, brother, grandparent or friend in your life!

**Happy Father's Day**



## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Greetings from the Mount Albion School Council. We had a wonderful May and we are looking forward to an exciting June.

On May 25th, we hosted our third and final Family Health Promotion seminar, which was funded by a PRO grant for the 2015 / 2016 school year. Mount Albion welcomed Stephanie from Total FX fitness again to host our outdoor family bootcamp and some healthy snacks were provided afterwards. Thank you to all the families who attended this successful initiative!

In June we will be hosting a Family movie night to watch the Chipmunks Roadtrip movie. This function will be a nutrition policy free event, so there will be some additional treats available at this movie. Bring your family, snuggle up in your pajamas (if you'd like) and enjoy some time with your Mount Albion friends. We look forward to seeing you there.

Part of our fundraising initiative is to raise funds to help support the cost of grade 8 graduation. Mount Albion School Council is proud of all of our graduates and wish them success in their next education adventure at high school.

Interested in seeing what School Council is all about? We are always looking for parents to come join us at our meetings, which are usually held on the last Thursday of every month. Due to end of school year, we will be hosting our last School Council Meeting on June 16. We hope to see you there!

**2015/2016 JK Registration**  
**NOW OPEN!**



Please come in to the office to pick up your registration package. If you have completed the form online, please bring the printed copy to the office along with the child's birth certificate, health card and proof of your address (e.g. utility bill, drivers license).

**\*\*\*\* There is a "New to JK" Parent Information Session on Thursday, June 4th between 8:45 and 10:00 a.m. \*\*\*\***

**We are looking forward to meeting all of our new little friends!**











**ALL visitors and parents must report to the office upon entry to the school.**

**Visitor Passes will be issued there.**



# JUNE 2016

# SUMMER!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 (3) Co-ed soccer Tournament @ Lawfield  EQAO	2 (4)  EQAO PIZZA! 	3 (5)  <b>POPCORN DAY!</b> TARZAN trip to Glendale EQAO 	4 
5 	6 (1)  EQAO	7 (2)  EQAO	8 (3) CO-ED SOCCER TOURNAMENT  EQAO	9 (4) NEW TO JK Parents Meeting 8:40 a.m. Grade 7&8 Flag Football Tourna- ment @ Hillcrest SCHOOL COUNCIL MOVIE NIGHT PIZZA! 	10 <b>PD DAY</b> (no school)	11 
12 	13 (5) Twin Valley Zoo — Spec Ed	14 (1) <b>TALENT SHOW</b> 6:30 p.m. 	15 (2) <b>Senior Track and Field</b> Mohawk Sports Park	16 (3) School Council 6:30 p.m. JR & SR GIRLS 3-PITCH EAST- DALE  PIZZA! 	17 (4)  <b>POPCORN DAY!</b> JR & SR BOYS 3-PITCH EASTDALE Canada's Wonderland Music Festival	18  
19 	20 (5) Primary and Intermediate Movie Trips  	21 (1) <b>Junior Track &amp; Field</b>	22 (2)	23 (3) <b>Grade 8 Grad</b>   PIZZA! 	24  <b>POPCORN DAY!</b>	25 
26 	27 <b>MOUNT ALBION FUN DAY / Summer Fun Spirit Day</b>	28 <b>JUNIOR TRIP</b> Aquarium and CN Tower	29 	30 <b>PD DAY</b> (no school)		