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As we enter our final month of the 2016-2017 school year we have many exciting changes to share with our school community. Some of you may have read the Stoney Creek News last month and are aware that Mount Albion will be undergoing some construction this summer. Part of our school field will be restructured beginning the middle of June. The field will be resurfaced, new sod laid and additional pavement will be added to the primary side of the playground. The field will be unavailable for use for approximately two months but should be ready for September.

Mount Albion is a growing community and with this growth comes the need for additional classrooms. We will be receiving this additional classroom space through portables that will be added to our back playground. These portables will be delivered to us in June however we will not be putting them to use until September.

The interior of our building will also be under some construction beginning in July. Our main floor washrooms will be given a refresh with new toilets, flooring and sinks. Our music room will be rebuilt to accommodate our growing instrumental music program. This is all part of HWDSB's school revitalization program.

We are very excited about our renovations in the building and look forward to seeing all of the wonderful changes when we return to school in September.

We have been staffing our school for next September and below is our proposed school organization for next year. I am not able to attach teacher names to the classes for you at this time but will confirm teacher assignments with you at the end of this month.



These are the classrooms that will be opened in September:

FDK 1	Grade 3/4
FDK 2	Grade 4/5
FDK 3	Grade 5/6
Grade 1	Grade 5/6
Grade 1/2	Grade 7
Grade 2	Grade 7/8
Grade 2/3	Grade 8

Grade 3

I would like to remind families that Mount Albion School is a closed school. This means that only students living in our school's catchment area are permitted to attend our school. If you are living outside of our catchment area you will be receiving a letter to let you know that you must register your child at the school in your current living area.

As mentioned in a previous newsletter as of September we will no longer be accepting cheques at Mount Albion. Please ensure that you are registered for School Cash Online or have cash available for trips, food days etc.

As we look forward to the new school year I would like to remind all families that the school office will be open from August 28th-September 1st from 8 a.m.-2:00 p.m. The first day of school for students will be September 5th, 2017. I hope that you all have a safe and restful summer vacation and I look forward to seeing you in September.



Grade 8 Graduation

Thursday, June 22nd 6:00 p.m. Paramount Alliance Church

More information to follow!



JR Track & Field



Mohawk Sports Park



Tuesday, June 20th

SR Track & Field

Mohawk Sports Park

Wednesday, June 14th

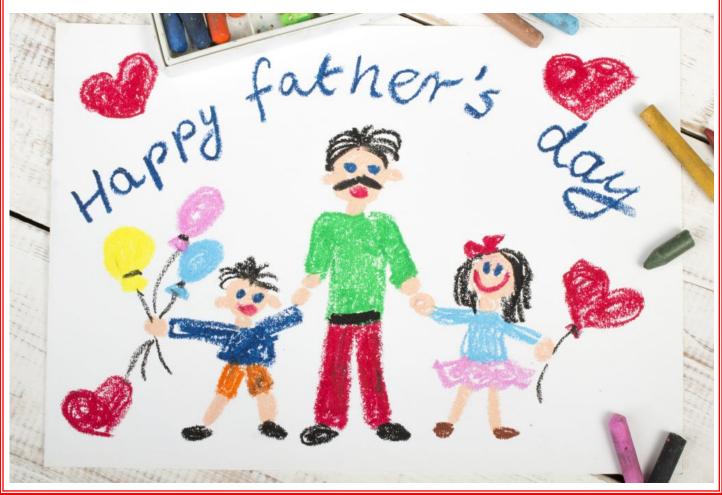


BLACK & RED SPIRIT DAY! Wear your Mount Albion Colours with pride! Friday, June 23rd Outdoor Fun-In-The-Sun Day!



Bring a hat, sunscreen, a water bottle and wear old and stainable clothing for outdoor play, painting and games!

SUNDAY, JUNE 18th



GIRL'S GROUP NATURE HIKE!



Mount Albion Clubs and Special Olympics!



TALENT SHOW

TALENT SHOW! FRIDAY, JUNE 16th @ 1:20 p.m. Parents welcome!



Junior Kindergarten registration is open!

Please bring birth certificate, health card & proof of address.



P.D. DAY FRIDAY, JUNE 9th

For Your Information



Starting September 2017, <u>cheques</u> <u>will no longer be accepted at Mount</u> <u>Albion.</u> Cheques will be returned to parents if they are sent in to the school. Accepted methods of payment will be cash and Schoolcash Online only. Please contact the office for information for registering for Schoolcash Online. We'll be happy to help!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION







Reminder to parents and guardians to call the school office before 8:40 a.m., if your child is going to be late or absent from school due to an illness, appointment or a family holiday. It is the policy of the HWDSB to contact parents in the event that the student does not arrive at school and the school has not been notified about an absence or late arrival.

Please understand that **not all students begin their day with their homeroom teacher** so messages regarding attendance that are given to the homeroom teacher do not always make it to the office. A note to the office or a call to our 24hr answering machine (**905-560-0908**) will ensure that student absences will be received.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation with us in this important daily activity to make sure that your child arrives at school safely.

***We would also ask that if your child needs to be excused early from school, that he/she brings a note to the office in the morning so we can have them properly signed out and ready for when they are to be picked up. This will help everyone to be organized and on time as much as possible. Thank you. ***

<u>REMINDER!</u>



The morning bell rings at

<u>8:40 a.m.</u>

Please help your child(ren) be on time in the morning to ensure a full and uninterrupted school day.

ACCESSIBLE PARKING



Please ensure the Accessible Parking spots in the upper and lower lots are left open for those who require those spaces.



Follow Us on Twitter (@mountalbion)

One great way to stay up-to-date with what's happening at Mount Albion School is to follow us on Twitter! Through our Twitter feed you will get frequent updates on life at Mount Albion School including important reminders, special events, community happenings, and student activities.

Follow us by going to www.twitter.com/mountalbion and clicking "Follow". You can also use the Twitter App to get updates sent straight to your Smart phone/device!



This is a reminder that the school cannot dispense medications without the signed authorization of both a <u>parent/guardian</u> and <u>physician</u>. This includes such items as cough syrup, Tylenol and other over the counter medications. Please ask the school office for the proper form for your doctor to complete for this purpose. We are sorry for any inconvenience or added expense this may cause, we must however follow HWDSB medical protocols.

Epi-Pen Reminder







Please ensure your child always has their epi-pen and puffers, and that the one in the school office has not expired. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

NO SMOKING PLEASE



Just a reminder that smoking is not permitted anywhere on School or Board property at any time of the day or night. This by-law applies to staff, students, visitors and parents. It also includes the interior of your vehicle. The parking lot is considered school property according to the by-law. Please remember that we want to maintain a smoke-free environment.

ILLNESS



Please keep your child at home when they are sick. In cases of vomiting, please ensure they stay home for 24-hours once it has stopped. Thank you!

Dogs on School Property



Yes—our canine friends are cute and for the most part, we know that they are friendly. However, we must respect that some of our children are afraid of dogs, and having them close by causes stress and anxiety. We also know that dogs who are normally friendly can be startled by fast moving children and can snap at fingers and faces if startled.

We ask that you do not bring your family pets onto school property during school hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m..

Thanks for your understanding.

If you walk your dog on school grounds during the evenings or weekends, please remember to 'stoop and scoop'. We appreciate your support.



<u>ALL</u> visitors and parents must report to the office upon *entry* to the school.

Visitor Passes will be issued.



JUNE 2017 SUMMER

I	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 (3) EQAO PIZZA!	2 (4) POPCORN DAY! \$2.00 EQAO SPRING FLING DANCE	3
	4	5 (5) EQAO	6 (1)	7 (2) COUGAR COOKIE DAY Girls 3-pitch JR & SR EASTDALE	8 (3) Kindergarten Information session 8:00-8:45 a.m. BOYS 3-pitch JR & SR EASTDALE PIZZA!	9 P.D. DAY	10
	11	12 (4) jr ripley's aquarium trip	13 (5)	14 (1) COUGAR COOKIE DAY SR Track & Field Mohawk Sports Park	15 (2) PIZZA!	16 (3) POPCORN DAY! \$2.00 TALENT SHOW! Parents Welcome 1:20 p.m	17
Happi	18 FATHER'S DAY	19 (4)	20 (5) Kindergarten Butterfly Conservatory Trip JR Track & Field Mohawk Sports Park	21 (1). COUGAR COOKIE DAY Wild Waterworks Trip Grades 5-8	22 (2) Grade 8 Graduation!	23 (3) POPCORN DAY! \$2.00 Red & Black Mount Albion School Colours and Fun-in- the-Sun Day!	24
8	25	26 (4)	27 (5) Primary Year End Bowling Trip to Sherwood Lanes	28 (1). COUGAR COOKIE DAY	29 (2) LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! Report cards home!	30	Phool Nauslattar 12