

## ***From the Principal's Desk***



June has arrived and we have been in full swing with many school events and year end celebrations to look forward to in the coming weeks.

To end the school year, all students have had the opportunity to participate in a year end trip. Our Kindergarten students will be enjoying a year end trip to the Movies, our Primary & Junior divisions had a great experience at their bowling trip and our intermediate students had a fun trip at Lazer Mania. A big thank you to our parents who offered to volunteer their time to help support the supervision of our trips. Parents providing the school with a valid vulnerable sector within 3 school years & completing the offence declaration at the office enables parents to volunteer or support the school by supervising at extracurricular events. For more information on this process, you are welcome to contact our school office for the upcoming 2022-23 School Year.

As our students were preparing to represent Mount Hope at our Junior & Intermediate track meets at the system level, the outcome to both days were a success! Our students had the opportunity to demonstrate their athleticism, skills and teamwork at various events. We had the opportunity to announce our success of placing first at our Intermediate track meet with many top finishes across the Junior & Intermediate grades. Congratulations to our student athletes for their success and achievement at our system wide track meets!

As we prepare for the end of the school year, our graduating class of Grade 8's will be celebrating the end to their elementary school years at Mount Hope at our Commencement this upcoming Monday June 20<sup>th</sup> at Ancaster Highschool. We thank our School Council & Commencement Committee for supporting the preparation of this special event for our graduating class. We wish our Grade 8 students all the best as they look forward to Post Secondary school in the fall.

As we prepare to communicate student achievement for term 2 through the Report card, students will be sent home with reports on Monday June 27<sup>th</sup>. Parents will have an opportunity to reflect on student progress and next steps by completing a feedback form with their child that is to be returned to the school prior to the last day which is Wednesday June 29<sup>th</sup>. Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> is a PA Day for our students to begin their summer holidays for the year.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our School Council for their ongoing support to enhance school life for our students at Mount Hope. School council has organized our lunch days for students, supported with funding to provide additional programming in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy & Well Being across the grades and has led and coordinated fundraisers to enhance the use of technology & the classroom environment to support student learning. Over the course of this past year, we have been able to purchase iPad bundles to support students across all grades and enhance the classroom learning environment with technology to deliver optimal programming. Projectors, their mounting and sound bars are currently being installed in classrooms to enhance the learning environment in classrooms at Mount Hope.

On behalf of the Mount Hope School team we would also like to take this opportunity to thank our departing staff members for their dedication to the Mount Hope Community, **Mrs. Leavens, Madame Eisenberg & Mr. Ferrante.**

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to our staff, students and community over the years! We wish our staff moving on all the best in their new positions in September. Also, a big thank you to our long term occasional educators; **Ms. Athisham, Ms. Thornton, Ms. Pokoradi, Mr. Waterhouse & Ms. Trajkovska** for their time and commitment to Mount Hope. We also will be saying farewell to Mr. Dambrosio our Head Caretaker who will be moving on to support the system in July.

As we come to the end of another school year, we recognize and reflect upon the success and achievement that our staff & students have accomplished together. As a collaborative team we also value the importance of building

strong relationships with home and school and we appreciate the support that we have received from our Mount families. Have a wonderful & safe summer holiday!

Sincerely, The Mount Hope School Team