

From the Principal's Desk



June has arrived in full swing with the remaining weeks left to close the 2022-2023 school year!

It has been an exciting last month with all students having the opportunity to participate in a year end trip to celebrate the end to this school year. A big thank you to our parents who offered to volunteer their time to help support the supervision of our trips. Parents/Caregivers 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 2023-24 School Year.

As our students were preparing to represent Mount Hope at our Junior & Senior 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. 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 Ceremony this upcoming Wed. June 21st 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 Tues. June 27th. 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 on the last day which is Wednesday June 28th. Thursday June 29th 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. Thanks to our fundraising success, we have also been able to purchase our new sound system that has already supported several school wide events to end this year and will be great to support us come the fall in September. This could not have been possible without the support of our parent community who contributed to our fundraising success! If you are a Parent/Caregiver that has an interest in joining Mount Hope's School Council information will be sent home to all families in September outlining the process and attending our first meeting. Stay tuned for the fall for further information as we encourage and welcome parent engagement 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: **Ms. Kay, Ms. Burns, Ms. Webster, Ms. Gater, Ms. Clarke & Ms. Mills.**

Thank you for your dedication and commitment to our staff, students and community. We wish our staff moving on all the best in their future endeavours. Also, a big thank you to our long term occasional educators; **Ms. Pokoradi, Ms. Thornton, Ms. Christensen & Madame French** for their time and commitment to Mount Hope. We also will be saying farewell to **Ms. Van Luven, Ms. Preniqi & Ms. Stevens**, our occasional Education Assistants for their dedication to Mount Hope.

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