



PRINCE OF WALES NEWSLETTER

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School Council

Please consider joining school council for next year. Our first meeting will be September 17th at 9:15 am in the Nutrition Room. All are welcome. This is a great way to become involved in school life, advise administration on school related matters, and receive updates on school planning. See you there!

Home and School Association

Prince of Wales Home & School Association will be holding it's first general meeting this Monday September 10th at 9:15 am. All are welcome! It's a great opportunity to gather information, connect with your school community and help support and shape the 2018-2019 school year for your children. Membership forms will also be available. If you would like to receive more information, email powh-sa@gmail.com"

Early On Center

Please come visit our EarlyON centre to learn while you play with your children. Our centre is open Monday – Thursday 8:30am – 3:00pm & Friday 8:30 – 12:00pm. We offer activities for children 0 – 6 years of age. Our classroom welcomes you to meet other families in your community and engage in meaningful activities with your children. We are looking forward to meeting with you.

EarlyON Staff
Ania & Michaela

Gatestone Newsletter

September 2018

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello Community,

I am so pleased to be coming back as principal of this wonderful school. I have had the opportunity to speak with many students who were here three years ago when I was here as VP. It was great to see them growing up!!

Ms Trimble and I are very thankful to the whole custodial team for doing an outstanding job cleaning the school over the summer. The school looks great. Another thank you to whole staff for all the work they did last week before school started getting classrooms ready for your children. We are excited to be able to show off classrooms and for you to **MEET THE STAFF** on Oct 11 2018, 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm.

We know that parking is a huge issue around the school. We would ask that people do not park in the bus zone on Melrose. Buses have had to wait and block Melrose to traffic. Thank you for your help in this.

One of my primary responsibilities is to the overall safety of the over 700 students and 80 staff who come to school and work here everyday. This is in addition to the numerous visitors we have throughout the day, including all the parents, guardians and caregivers who come here everyday. We have policies, procedures and routines that help manage student safety. As a parent of 8 year old twins myself, I feel secure knowing that my children's school follow those policies as visitors to the building are one of the routines we all must follow. Visitors/parents/caregivers/guardians must come to the office to check in if they wish to access the building. This includes both entry times at 8:30 and exit times at 2:50. This is not about not being inviting, we welcome visitors, but visitors must follow the proper procedure to enter the building. As I said, safety is one of my primary responsibilities, I need to know who is coming in and out and the purpose of the visit.

Home-Communication is very important. I know that staff all communicate in one way or another with their student's families. As a school, we use three main communication tools. The website, our twitter feed, and the school sign on the front lawn. These tools provide the most current information. A monthly newsletter will go out as well. The website and twitter feed are mobile device friendly.

There was communication last year regarding paying for student agendas. We will be providing those FREE to students. You do not need to pay.

Finally, the Nutrition and Breakfast programs will be starting shortly, please stay tuned for updates.

M.Castellani

September 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		4 First Day of School	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Photo Day	14	15
16	17 Parent Council Meeting 9:15 a.m.	18	19	20	21 PD Day No School	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Orange Shirt Day Wear Orange to School	29
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Key Dates in October

Oct 8 Thanksgiving

Oct 11 Meet the Staff