

Queen Mary Cardinal



October 2018

Birthdays and other celebrations: We know that birthdays are special and that many children like to celebrate with their class but unfortunately we can not have cupcakes and other treats brought in due to our nutrition policy and allergy concerns. We continue to have a banana, nut, and latex ban at school due to anaphylactic reactions to these products. Thank you for your cooperation.

Pizza days begin Tuesday October 9th. We will be working with Little Ceasars to provide cheese pizza that falls within our nutrition guidelines. Slices will be \$1.50 each and served at first nutrition break. Student helpers will be assisting our kindergarten and primary students.

Nut and Banana Allergies

No dogs or other pets on school property: To support the safety and well-being of all, there are no dogs allowed on school grounds between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Valuables/Lost and Found Expensive and valuable items such as electronic devices, jewellery, and large sums of money, skateboards/rollerblades and scooters are brought to school at your own risk. Valuables (i.e. jewellery and glasses) are generally turned in to school office if they are found. Clothing items are placed in the lost and found box.

Bikes and Scooters, Boards and Blades need to be stored properly in designated areas (i.e. racks or lockers). If you choose to bring your bike, scooter, blades or board, you are responsible for the care and well-being of it. They are not allowed to be used on school property or in our building. It is strongly recommended that a proper helmet be worn for your child's safety.

<u>Parents/Caregivers, below is an update regarding the</u> Ontario Health and Physical Education Curriculum:

- 1. Teachers are required to teach and report on curriculum provided by the Ministry of Education;
- 2. Teaching and learning in all subject areas needs to inclusive, accepting, and free from discrimination;
- 3. Please feel free to review the curriculum at: http://www.edu.gove.on.ca/eng/curriculum/elementary/healcurr18.pdf;
- 4. Communication regarding when and what Growth and Development learning is occurring in the classroom will be shared with parents, as per past practice;
- HWDSB's Addressing Concerns Process remains in place with the classroom teacher as the first point of contact for a classroom concern. It is available here: https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/ Addressing-Concerns-HWDSB.pdf.
- 6. HWDSB remains committed to Ministry and board plans and policies on equity and inclusion, as we strive to help *all* student and staff feel safe, supported and accepted.

| UPCOMING DATES | |
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| Oct. 5 | World Teacher Day |
| Oct. 8 | Thanksgiving Holiday - NO SCHOOL |
| Oct. 10 | Cross Country meet at Christie Conservation |
| Oct. 12 | Food Day - Sub Day |
| Oct. 12 | Terry Fox Run - period 5 and 6 |
| Oct. 12 | Civvies Day - bring \$2.00 & leave your QM shirt at home |
| Oct. 26 | Food Day - TBD |
| Oct. 26 | Spirit Day - Crazy Hair Day |
| Oct. 29 | PAC Meeting |
| Oct. 31 | Halloween |



World Teachers Day

World Teachers Day is held every year on October 5th. Teachers are recognized internationally to celebrate their work and contributions to society. We are thankful for our teachers at Queen Mary school!

SCHOOL TELEPHONES: Parents are invited to telephone the school to leave messages for staff or to ask questions of our office staff. Emergency Messages only will be permitted to be passed on to students. Arrangements for students to visit friends, plans for lunch, afterschool babysitting etc. must be made with parents in advance of the school day.