



# Queensdale Elementary School

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## Queensdale Newsletter June 2023

### Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that we are already at the end of the school year. The last few months have flown by so quickly. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly to your school community. I have had many opportunities to talk to families at our Queensdale events such as Open House, Fun Fair, Kindergarten Orientation, Grade 8 Commencement and the Kindergarten family picnic. It has been wonderful getting to know you and your children. I am looking forward to an amazing 2023-2024 school year

I want to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable summer. See you on Wednesday September 6th!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Stacey Johnson

### Class Placements for 2023-2024

Information about students' class placement will be shared with families the week before school begins starting on August 28, 2023 via the Parent Portal. A School Messenger notification will be shared with all families during this week informing families that the Parent Portal is open to view classroom teachers. Families may also call the school during the last week of August for information.

### Staff Changes

I would like to officially welcome the following new staff to Queensdale for the 2023-2024 School Year.

**Laney Cryderman - FDK A**

**John Farrugia - 6B**

**Shane Fisher - 34B**

**Heather Pyke - FDK A**

I'd also like to welcome back **Carlee Mogavero** to class **3/4A**.

Date	Activity
Jun 5-9	Gr 3-6 EQAO
June 12	Gr 7/8 Public Health Immunizations
June 14	Volunteer Luncheon
June 16	Gr 3-5 Track & Field
June 20	Gr 2-5 Bowling Trip
June 21	Gr 1 Trip to Dundurn Castle
June 22	Grade 8 Commencement
June 23	Grade 6/7 trip to McMaster
June 27	Report Cards go home
June 28	Last day of school for students
June 29	PA Day – No School



### Staff Goodbyes

We are sad to say goodbye to some of our Queensdale staff who are moving on to positions at new schools. We wish them all the very best!  
**Jamie Aromin, Kaila Constantini, Lili Fu, Kathy Hall, Kiki Karamath, Nicole Lubrick, Christine Muschalla, Leigh Rossi, Aleks Tudor and Mariam Youssef**



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## School Council Message:

Thank you to all students, staff, and parents for a wonderful year! The parent council was happy to be back in full force, organizing Movie Nights, a poinsettia fundraiser, a Family Wellness Fair, and a hugely successful Fun Fair to end the year with a bang. In addition to these, volunteers helped at the school with various staff-led initiatives such as the Book Fair, meet the teacher, Grade 8 Commencement, the donut fundraiser, and Pizza Days. Council was able to provide funds this year to support fun activities for the entire student population including a Magician, Scientists in the Classrooms, field trips, and special STEM equipment for kindergarten classes. Council also spent additional funds on iPads, the Grade 8 Commencement, and more DPA equipment for any classrooms that needed additional supplies. Thank you to all the parents who have supported the students through council this year! All your hard work doesn't go unnoticed - you are all valued and appreciated, and we hope to see you all next year!

Every year, a new council is formed - save the date for the election of next year's council scheduled for **Thursday September 21st**. Nomination forms will be sent home at the beginning of the new school year. We welcome all parents and caregivers in any capacity - whether you want to attend all meetings as a voting member, come here and there to just add your thoughts and be part of the discussions, or strictly just offer your help volunteering for events - we value your input and welcome you with open arms. Child-minding will be provided for all council meetings free of charge.

## School Cash Online

Queensdale school has some exciting upcoming events, trips and fundraisers planned for the 2022-2023 school year. In an effort to reduce the amount of cash and checks received by our school, we are asking our parents/guardians to sign up for School Cash Online. This is a safe, easy and convenient way to purchase items online for upcoming school events, trips for your child's class and fundraisers such as popcorn sales and pizza day. It takes less than five minutes to register. Please register for [SchoolCashOnline.com: Welcome](https://www.schoolcashonline.com) today as we will continue to post important items! Please contact the office for instructions on how to get started.

## School Messenger

School Messenger is our school's absence reporting system and has been used across our Board for quite a few years now. By now, majority of our families should be connected and using this program daily in order to communicate an absence, late arrival or early departure to the school.

[SchoolMessenger | Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board \(hwdsb.on.ca\)](https://www.schoolmessenger.com)

## School Website

Please subscribe to our website at <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/queensdale> and click the



subscribe button. You will receive updates on all Queensdale news and happenings. Please note there is a Translate button on the website which can translate items on the webpage into many different languages.