

The Parnall Post



Mr. R. McLean, Principal

From the Office...

Dear Parents,

Although spring is here, there is still lots of learning happening at school. Please keep in contact with your child's teacher through the student agenda or electronic means. We want all students to continue the great work they are doing!

REMINDER:

No classes on:

P.A. DAY

Friday, May 17th

VICTORIA DAY

Monday, May 20th

The PAC is actively planning for the return of the Parnall Fun Fair on Thursday, June 13th. Information and order forms were sent home in April. Don't miss out! Place your orders for your T-shirts and BBQ. If you've lost your form, contact the school to get another one!



Primary & Junior E.Q.A.O. Tests

The Ministry of Education and Training has informed schools and school boards that the EQAO tests will be held again in May and early June.

Parnall will be conducting their gr. 3 & 6 tests from May 22nd to May 30th.

Teachers have been meeting to set plans for the testing process. Through these meetings, teachers are best prepared to enable our students to achieve their potential on these tests.

We invite parents of the grade 3 and grade 6 students to contact the school for more information regarding their particular child.

Once completed, test booklets are sent away to be marked. Results are made available in the fall.

Some of the class and recess schedules will be altered slightly to allow the grade 3's and 6's proper class time to complete the tests.

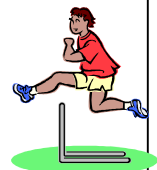
Remember that children perform better on tests when they are well rested and well nourished. Also, please avoid making appointments for the students during these times!

Parents may also visit www.eqao.com



Track and Field

Our track and field season is here!!! The school Track & Field meet (for grades 3-8) will be held on two separate days this year.



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Track (Running) events will be held on the morning of May 14th at Governor Simcoe Secondary School.

Field events will be held on Wednesday, May 15th during blocks 2 & 3 (11:30am-3:00pm) at Parnall School.

Students will be expected to participate in various events on those days. Please dress them appropriately for the day and possibly help them prepare for the meet! Unless the conditions are horrific, we go ahead rain or shine.

Dress Code

With the warmer weather on the way, it may be tempting for students to wear clothes that are not suitable for the school environment.

Please review the Code of Conduct in your child's organizer. Some clothes that we wear after school, on the weekend and during the summer may not be appropriate at school.

It is also important for our older students to be sure they have a change of clothes for Physical Education.

Any questions you may have can be directed to the office.

Class Requests for 2019-20

There is a tremendous amount of time invested in creating class lists for September. Many factors are considered by school staff in deciding where we feel your son/daughter would best learn. Mr. McLean makes the final decision in which class each student is placed.

If you have any specific requests about your son/daughter's placement for 2019-20, please provide that information directly to Mr. McLean via **written note or e-mail only** at Robb.McLean@dsbn.org **no later than May 16th.**

THERE ARE NO GUARANTEES GIVEN TO PARENT REQUESTS, but they will be considered.

Potential Class Organization for 2019-20

With students moving in and out of the Parnall area over the next few months, there is still a possibility for changes to our organization. However, at this time, our homeroom class organization for next year will be:

- K1: Mr. Pickett / Miss Pietrobon
- K2: Mrs. Cornelius / Mrs. O'Neill
- Gr. 1: Mrs. Chiarelli
- Gr. 1/2: Mrs. Chuchman
- Gr. 2/3: Mrs. Gayder
- Gr. 3: Mrs. Beresh
- Gr. 3/4: Ms. Watson
- Gr. 4/5: Mrs. Cosby
- Gr. 5: Miss Erwood
- Gr. 6: Mr. Keyes
- Gr. 6/7: Mrs. Coveney
- Gr. 7: Mr. Waldie
- Gr. 8: Mr. Sotola

New Chromebooks!

Thanks to your great support in selling chocolate bars in March/April. We achieved our goal of \$6500 to purchase 10 new Chromebooks and a cart. These orders have been made and the new technology will be in the school before this school year ends!

Kindergarten Registration Still Open!

Children who will be four years of age or older by December 31, 2019 are eligible to enroll in Kindergarten starting September 2019.

Even though February was the month designated for Kindergarten registrations, we will continue to accept registrations in the office. Please feel free to drop in any Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. We look forward to meeting you!!



Parnall Night at the Grantham House

The Grantham House restaurant is teaming up with Parnall School to help raise funds. On **Tuesday, May 14th from 5:00-9:00pm**, a percentage of all food sales will come back to the school.

Don't miss out on this chance to have a great dinner and help the school. **Please make reservations ahead of time** by calling 289-362-1651.

**The Grantham House
14 Secord Dr., St. Catharines
289-362-1651**

thegranthamhouse.ca

Sun Safety

The Canadian Dermatology Association's National Sun Awareness Week happens on the second week of June. Spring is when the outdoor baseball and soccer leagues often begin. It is also a great time to remind your budding Olympians to play sun safe. Teach your athletes to be sun safe by:

• Dressing for the sun

Wear a hat with a wide brim or a flap that covers the back of neck. Wear loose clothing to protect as much of your skin as possible. Don't forget your UVA and UVB sunglasses!

• Using sunscreen

Use a broad-spectrum (UVA and UVB) sunscreen with a SPF of 30 or higher.



• Looking for shade or creating shade

• Limiting the time spent in the sun

If possible, try to schedule activities when the sun is not at its strongest (i.e. arrange your practices in the early morning or late afternoon).

Absences / Lates

To help out our secretary, Mrs. King, parents are reminded to either use the Safe Arrival app or call the school prior to 8:40am if your son/daughter will be absent or has an appointment first thing in the morning.



Calendar Reminder

Check the calendar and/or website for a list of most activities.



I-Matter Winners

We are holding our I-Matter assembly on Thursday, May 2nd at 11:30am. Winners this month are:

I Matter As a Learner:

- 1C: Alivia V, Amaira C
- 1/2C: Shea C
- 2G: Brenna F, Kaylin W
- 3B: Fiona R
- 4C: Colton D, Presley M
- 5C: Kennedy S, Aaden S
- 5/6E: Inshaa A
- 6K: Sheraeya L
- 8S: Owen P, Tyler G

I Matter As an Individual:

- 1/2C: Jennifer U
- 2G: Hannah P
- 3B: Lanai G
- 5C: Tiffany A, Kaleb B
- 5/6E: Abbey M, Madisen S
- 6K: Sydney D
- 7W: Madison T, Ryan C, Carter W, Dominic S

I Matter As a Community Member:

- 1C: Diego A-G
- 1/2C: Cooper G
- 2G: Scarlett W
- 3B: Gabe B
- 3/4W: Ava V, Devon P
- 4C: Bella S
- 5C: Sarah S, Jack C
- 5/6E: Erika B, Mason S
- 6K: Bryn K



Sports & Clubs

Our sports teams and clubs continue to be running.



Junior Basketball season has concluded. Both Miss Erwood with the girls and Mr. McLean with the boys were pleased with their team's development over the course of the season. Way to go Pirates!

Badminton for grades 7 & 8 has started. Mr. Waldie and Mr. Sotola are proud of the students' accomplishments at the tournament on April 25th at Governor Simcoe. Players get another chance to compete on May 3rd at Brock University.

Our Knitting Club run by Mr. Pickett meets regularly during breaks.

Our Robotics team is run by Mr. Palmer.

The Forest of Reading Clubs, run by Mrs. Tallman went to the celebration event on April 26th in Niagara Falls.

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Milk Orders

We are pleased to facilitate students drinking a healthy beverage daily. We will have MILK ORDERS



available on SchoolCashOnline (click the link on parnell.dsbn.org) If you wish your child to have milk, please complete the form online. Orders are for a milk card, good for 20 milks for \$15. Students bring their milk card to the milk station each day they wish to get milk.

Special Lunch Days

Pizza will continue to be offered most Fridays. Cost is \$1 per slice and it remains a healthy option with whole wheat crust and pepperoni, or plain cheese.

Orders for Subway and pasta will be available later this month.

Be sure to honour the due date. No late orders are accepted!

Special lunch days for this month are:

- May 3: PIZZA (due May 1)
- May 10: PIZZA (due May 8)
- May 16: SUBWAY (due May 13)
- May 24: PIZZA (due: May 22)
- May 29: PASTA (due May 21)
- May 31: PIZZA (due May 29)





Strengthen your listening skills to help motivate and inspire.

Learn ways to help influence positive behaviours.



**Calling All Parents:
Join us for an important complimentary workshop to help motivate and support your teens to be successful!**

**Laura Secord Parent Council
Welcomes Expert Coach & Facilitator, Caren Burr
Wednesday, May 22, 2019
6:30-8:00 p.m.
Upper Cafeteria at Laura Secord
Brief reception to follow**

Gain new perspectives that support healthy and productive actions

RSVP by May 10th to LSS@dsbn.org or 905-934-8501