



December 2016



From Ms. McFarlane: It is with mixed feelings I write this message. I have decided to retire from the TDSB, as of December 31, 2016. I have had the pleasure of being the principal here at Bayview for the past eight school years. It has been a delight to watch students enter these doors as grade 6s and see them grow, both as students and as citizens of the world, over three years. Every year has brought joys along with opportunities. I have marveled at our staff's abilities to nurture students' academic potential, their artistic creativity, their athletic skills and their character growth. Parents of Bayview have been encouraging, generous of time and financially supportive. It has been a real honour to be in a leadership position at this school. I will always carry part of Bayview in my heart. You will know the name of the new principal in late December. A letter will be sent to you by our Superintendent, Linda Curtis.

Thank you for your ongoing assistance over the years. Please be sure to check Bayview's website regularly - we are now updating it regularly and all newsletters and calendars, as well as other important information, will be available there.

<http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/bayviewms/Home.aspx>

Ms. McFarlane and Mrs. Neiman

[Second Harvest Food Rescue Holiday Food Drive](#)

This holiday season, Student Council has decided to run a food drive in support of Second Harvest Food Rescue. Students wanted to participate in an initiative that would give back to their community as well as allow them to display the character traits that they have been learning and practicing at school; respect, responsibility, empathy and kindness. Student Council will be marketing the food drive through announcements, posters and council representatives will visit classrooms to inform all students how they can contribute towards the cause.

We are all excited to give back to the community and demonstrate our character education traits by supporting those in need. We thank you in advance for providing food donations for people experiencing hunger.

Thank you for your support.

The Bayview Brief

Character Trait of the Month: Kindness & Caring



Character Counts!



Character Trait of the month: Kindness & Caring

Your child can show kindness and caring by:

- demonstrating these attributes toward themselves and others, including family, friends, and pets
- being aware of others' feelings without teasing or using put-downs
- helping someone who is having a bad day

Questions to discuss with your child:

- How do we show kindness and caring toward each other in our family?
- What other things *could* we do to show kindness and caring toward our family members?
- What kinds of things can we do to show kindness and caring toward our friends?
- What does it mean to be kind and caring to animals?

Projects to do together:

- Engage your child in being kind and caring toward others by reflecting on his or her behaviour and identifying his or her acts of kindness.
- Write thank-you notes to those who have shown kindness and caring toward your child/family.
- Do something that shows kindness and caring for someone less fortunate.

Encouraging kindness and caring in your child:

- Show your child the importance of being kind and caring by displaying kindness and caring to your child and others.
- Share your feelings with your child, which provides him or her with the opportunity to be kind and caring.
- Expose your child to the power of kindness through random acts of kindness toward people, animals, and the environment.
- Read and discuss media stories that depict acts of kindness and caring.

Thank you for supporting our Character Development program.

**BUILD CHARACTER
BUILD SUCCESS**

Upcoming Events:

Holidays: Dec. 26 to Jan. 6; Feb. 20; March 13 to 17; April 14, 17; May 22

PA Days: Dec. 2; Jan. 20; Feb. 17; June 9; June 30

Pizza Lunches: Dec. 1, Jan. 13, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2



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PARENT SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Please join us for the next meeting of our Parent School Council **on January 24, 2017**
at 7 p.m. in the Library.

Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday, February 21, 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 18, 7:00pm

Tuesday, May 16, 7:00pm

ROUND OF APPLAUSE!

To

Ms. Szandtner

For Cross Country and Mr.
Biglands for Girls Basketball



Go Bengals, Go!