

Broadacres Junior School

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Dear Parents and Guardians:

I am writing to up-date you on a few things happening at our school.

I first want to thank you for your patience and understanding as our much-needed roof construction project takes place. The roofing company and our facilities team are doing their very best to complete the job within the next 4 to 5 weeks, both within school hours and during the weekends. We know that having the equipment around the school does create some challenges; however, without this repair, it is possible that our roof would not have lasted throughout the winter.

One particular challenge that the roof repair has presented is that it prevents me from being in our school building during construction due to allergies that could have serious consequences. During my absence from the building, I continue to communicate with staff through email and by telephone. In addition, there is an administrator on site every day to ensure that students, staff and parents are supported. Starting November 16, Ms. Margaret McKenzie will be at Broadacres for the duration of the roofing project. I also remain available to address parent concerns and answer questions. You can send me an email or leave a message with Ms. MacFarlane at the school. Either Ms. McKenzie or I will be glad to assist you.

At this time, I would like to inform you that our next School Council meeting on November 24 will be held at Bloordale Middle School located at 10 Toledo Road. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm.

During the construction period, it sometimes becomes necessary for the workers to use our parking lots. This will further limit the number of parking spaces in the lots. We all strive to ensure that the safety of the students at Broadacres remains our top priority. Many staff and parents have expressed concerns about the use of our parking lots and bus loop in the mornings and after school. Parents are reminded that when dropping off students in the morning or picking them up in the afternoon, the parking lots are off limits. Stopping for short periods is permitted on the streets around our school. The parking lots are for staff parking only. If everyone exercises caution and courtesy, we can ensure that our children arrive and leave school safely each day!

I would also like to take this opportunity to let our kindergarten parents know that Ms. Ruggiero has been confirmed as the LTO teacher in Room 11 until the return of Ms. Gruenig after the March Break in 2016. Ms. Ruggeiro is a welcome addition to the Broadacres teaching community!

So, as you can see, many wonderful things continue to happen at our school. I thank you for your support, understanding and patience during our transitions.

Sincerely,

Lesa Williams-George Principal