



FISHERVILLE POST

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School website: <http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/fisherville>



WELCOME BACK

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome back. I hope that everyone had a wonderful summer. I certainly enjoyed having the time off to be with family and friends.

I look forward to working in partnership with you to make our school community one in which learning occurs every day. Our teachers are energized and ready to share ideas, curriculum and activities with your child.

Students have attended an assembly during which our school rules, expectations and Code of Conduct were reviewed. This will help us to get off to a positive start.

We would like to thank our custodial staff: Mr. Watt and Mr. Falikovich for working diligently over the summer to ensure the school looks sparkling clean. Also, thanks to Ms. Baldesarra, our Office Administrator, who prepared all the required paperwork in advance to enable us to have a smooth opening.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Ms. Holmes who is returning from leave. With such a terrific team, we are all set to have a great year!

Research has shown that when home and school work together in the best interests of children, they have a far greater chance of succeeding. Your involvement is always encouraged and appreciated.

Lyn Davy
Principal

Superintendent
Mr. Peter Chang

Trustee
Mr. H. Kaplan

Principal
Ms. L. Davy

Office Administrator
Ms. S. Baldesarra

Upcoming Events

Parent Council Meeting
Tuesday October 13, 2015
6:00 pm

Photo Retake Day
Monday November 9, 2015

Progress Reports go home
Tues Nov 10, 2015

Reorganization

Each year we do our best to plan for the new school year, however, there are always factors that affect how classrooms are organized.

Our grade 7 classes were quite large, consequently we were allocated an additional teacher to reduce the size of these classes.

This means that some students have a new home room teacher, while others are in a different class when they attend non-core subjects such as, science,

music, computer and art.

We welcome Ms. Goldman who will be teaching the new grade 7 class.

We know that for students and parents, changing classes may be difficult and might require an adjustment period.

We regret any inconvenience this reorganization has caused; however, we will continue to work in partnership with you to provide a dynamic program for your child.

Student Voice

Students will shortly be electing a Student Council Executive which is comprised of student representatives from every homeroom class. During an assembly the representatives chosen will be given the opportunity to speak to the student body and explain why they should be selected to become the President or Vice President of the Student Council.

Student Council leaders have the opportunity to plan and organize fun activities at Fisherville. This will ensure students are given a voice in decision

making as staff work collaboratively with them to create an inclusive environment.

We would like to thank Ms. Zachos and Ms. Holmes who will be working with our student council throughout the year to implement various student led initiatives.



Breakfast Program

All students are invited to join the breakfast club which will run from 8:30—8:50 am., effective Monday October 5, 2015.

Research shows that eating breakfast can improve memory, concentration, problem solving skills and overall physical and mental performance. For children, that means better performance in the classroom. About 30 percent of Canadian adults and children

skip breakfast on a regular basis – even though it's the most important meal of the day.

Students must return the signed permission form to participate in this program.

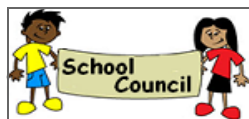
Since this program is only partially funded, we ask that parents contribute \$5.00 per month to offset the operating expenses of running the program

School Advisory Council

The School Advisory Council is an advisory body which consists of parents, school staff and community members. The purpose of the Council is to represent the school community and provide input into the decision making process of the school. All parents/guardians are invited to participate.

Our first meeting will be held

on Tuesday October 13, 2015 commencing at 6:00 pm. At this meeting the executive officers of the School Advisory Council will be elected by those attending. Please come out and let your voice be heard. You have much to contribute to Fisherville.



Raising a Good Student

As the school year begins families are geared up for another crack at the books. Children may be filled with anxiety over what the new school year will bring, while parents ponder the challenges their children will face. One thing is certain - not all kids start the school year with a bang. Some children struggle with academic skills, while others try to deal with developmental

and emotional issues. So how can you give your child a head start on doing well in school?

Research indicates that your interest and involvement in your child's learning and education is the key to his or her success in school. As a parent you are your child's number one role model and your participation in school life is essential. To keep involved in your child's school life, visit the school on a regular

School Routines and Procedures



Please ensure your child arrives at school on time.

School Begins—8:50 am
Lunch – 11:34—12:29 pm
Dismissal— 3:03 pm.

Please note that school is open for students at 8:30 am so unless students have been asked by their teacher to be here earlier, please ensure they do not arrive prior to this time. Supervision is

only provided from 8:30 and onwards.

If your child is absent please phone the school at 416 –395—3033. Leave a voice message stating your child's name, teacher, the date and reason for his/her absence.

All visitors to the school are expected to report to the office and sign-in before proceeding to go anywhere in the school.

Settlement Worker Program

Fisherville is fortunate to have the assistance of a Settlement Support Worker who willing works with parents to provide them information about school and community resources. The contact information of the support worker is as follows:

Natalia Kachan
416-268-4020



basis and make yourself known to the teachers and staff. Attend parent/teacher interviews and request a meeting yourself if you deem it necessary.

The time you spend with your child away from school is also very important. Spend this time reading together, playing games, doing projects and just being a family. These family times help

your child develop self-confidence and self-esteem, in addition to building a strong relationship with you.

By: Catherine Rondina
Parent

