

PRINCIPAL: Z. VALERIO

#### IMPORTANT DATES:

Sept. 28– Learning about Truth and Reconciliation Workshops AM, grades 1-5

Sept. 29-Orange Shirt Day

Oct. 3-5– X-Movement workshops K-5

Oct.4– Cross Country Meet

Oct. 5– World Teacher’s Day

Oct.6– PA Day/No school

Oct.9-Thanksgiving Day/No school

Oct. 11-Curriculum Night & BBQ/Book Fair, 5:30-7:30pm

Oct. 12– Picture Day

Oct. 26– School Council Meeting

Oct. 31– Pumpkin decorating

### Schoolyard Supervision

The schoolyard is supervised for students in Grades 1-5 from 8:30-8:43 a.m., 12:15-12:30p.m. and 3:20-3:30 p.m. and during recess times. Students are not to arrive to school before these supervised times and are encouraged to go home immediately after school dismissal. Thank-you for your cooperation!

# Bladyon Public School



SEPTEMBER 2023

## Principal's Message

On behalf of the entire staff, I would like to welcome back all of our students and parents to a new school year. It's been a wonderful first few weeks of school, as students and staff are working together to create positive, safe classroom environments.

Each year, TDSB does go through a process of classroom reorganization to realign class sizes late in September/early October. Parents will be informed by letter on Thursday, September 28th if your child will be impacted by a classroom change. New classroom setups will be effective on Monday, October 1st. We work hard to make sure that all student transitions are positive and supportive!

Blaydon school staff are excited to meet parents on Wednesday, October 11th, from 5:30-7:30pm. for our Curriculum Night. Learn about your child's classroom program, join us at our BBQ for a burger and corn-on-the-cob and visit our Scholastic Book Fair. Lots of excitement is planned for this evening! **Food orders are due October 5th.** We hope to see all of our parents and students on October 11th!

The schoolyard revitalization project is almost complete at the back of the school. Weather permitting, the asphalt will be poured on October 6th. Also, please note that there is no school on Friday, October 6th and Monday, October 9th.

-Z. Valerio, Principal

### Safe Arrival Program

If your child will be absent, please call the school at 1-833-250-2290 and leave a message with your child's name, classroom and reason for absence.

This voice message system is available 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.



### Safety Reminder

In the interest of our students' safety, we ask that parents/caregivers entering the school always **begin their visit by reporting to the Office first.** If you are picking up your child at the end of the day, please wait outside the building at your child's exit door.



### Bell Times

Morning Entry 8:43 am  
 Beginning of Instruction:  
 8:45am  
 Recess: 10:05-10:20am  
 Lunch: 11:30-12:28pm  
 Afternoon Entry 12:28pm  
 Afternoon Instruction:  
 12:30pm  
 Dismissal 3:20  
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## Orange Shirt Day and Truth & Reconciliation

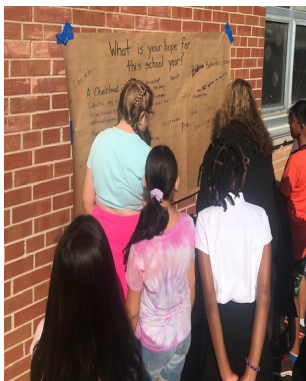
September 30 is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. Together we recognize the legacy of Canada's residential school system and continue to learn the many truths of these institutions. Orange Shirt Day, established in 2013 by Phyllis Webstad, recognizes the legacy of the Residential Schools System for First Nations, Métis, and Inuit families and communities. By wearing orange, we acknowledge the truths of Residential Schools in Canada, we honour Survivors, and we remember the thousands of children who died, many of them buried in unmarked graves.



Students are encouraged to wear an orange shirt on Friday, September 29th.

## Student Voice

At Blaydon, staff are always trying different strategies to collect student voice around ideas to improve our school community. This year, we asked our students, "What is your hope for this school year?" We received many respons-



es and hope to be able to incorporate many throughout the year.

## Terry Fox Walk

Our students participated in the yearly Terry Fox Walk on Friday, September 22nd.

It was a beautiful afternoon and our students enjoyed their time together as a community. Donations to the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer are still being accepted.



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