

## **Clinton Cougar Chronicle Vol. 11**

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Dear Clinton Street PS Community:

Since the school re-organized, the students in Room 304, and Clinton Street PS in general, have greatly benefitted from the professionalism, dedication, creativity, and energy of Ms. Kimberly Mills. Over the past 6 weeks, Ms. Mills and the students have formed a strong bond and each morning you can see the enthusiasm on the students' faces as they enter the school to start the day. It is a pleasure visiting Room 304 as there is always an engaging project underway and a fun, productive classroom buzz is evident. Ms. Mills should be very proud of being able to accomplish such a strong connection with students, families, and colleagues in a short period of time.

As you are likely aware, Ms. Mills became part of the Clinton Street PS staff in a Long Term Occasional (LTO) capacity for Ms. Karajgi. An LTO serves for a permanent teacher who is currently on leave and the LTO position concludes when the permanent teacher returns. On Monday, November 20, we are excited to welcome Ms. Karajgi back to Clinton Street PS and are so pleased that she is once again ready to share her acumen and care as the teacher in Room 304.

Of course, that means that Ms. Mills' LTO will conclude on Friday. We know that everything Ms. Mills has learned as the teacher of Room 304 will serve her well as she moves forward in her young teaching career. We know that Ms. Mills would be an incredible addition to any school's teaching staff and we hope that she is able to return to Clinton Street PS soon.

Welcome back Ms. Karajgi and best of luck Ms. Mills.

## **Inclement Weather and TDSB Transportation**

We have enjoyed a beautiful fall week at Clinton Street PS, however we know that the winter weather will be with us soon enough. There are more than 12 TDSB contracted buses that escort our students to and from the school each day. If inclement weather results in the cancellation of transportation services either before or during the school day, below are the procedures that the TDSB follows:

- Transportation services cancelled at 5:45 a.m. will be cancelled for the entire day
- Cancelled transportation services include all excursions and school-to-school service
- Schools and Administrative offices or sites remain open when transportation services are cancelled, unless there is a decision to close schools, administrative offices, or sites
- The decision to implement early closure will be made by 11:00 a.m.
- The communication to close schools will be completed by 12:00 noon

- No student in JK to Grade 5 will be sent home until parents/guardians/caregivers have been notified and the principal is assured that suitable arrangements have been made for the child's supervision
- Parents/guardians/caregivers of students in Grades 6 to 12 may designate in writing that their child will be permitted to be dismissed early or remain at school until picked up
- Principals will provide supervision for all students whose parents/ guardians/caregivers have not been contacted or who have not previously indicated in writing their intentions during severe weather conditions
- During severe weather conditions, students will remain inside the school with adequate supervision until they have been picked up

The entire inclement weather policy can be found at this link: <u>https://ppf.tdsb.on.ca/uploads/files/live/101/242.pdf</u>

## Kindergarten Communication of Learning/Progress Reports/Alternative Reports

We hope that all families have taken a moment to have a discussion with their child(ren) about the report that went home on Tuesday. We know how hard the students have been working and we are all proud of their accomplishments. We expect there to be rich conversations between families and teachers at the interviews.

We hope that you and your family enjoy the fall weekend.

Sincerely,

Dan Taylor

Principal