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Dear Clinton Community:

Re-organization Staffing Update:

As was mentioned last week, Clinton Street PS has been directed to re-organize the school as our enrolment numbers were thirty students over projection. We have been allocated one extra teacher to create a new Grade 2 / 3 class. Our primary classes will now have no more than 20 students in each.

We are also reconfiguring our Junior Division. The Grade 3 / 4 class that was housed in Room 304 will be changed to a Grade 4 / 5 class. As of Monday, October 2, the Junior Division will consist of two Grade 4 / 5 classes and one Grade 5 / 6 class, and each class will have a more manageable number of students.

We know that having a smaller number of students in each of our regular stream classes is a positive change, but we also know how attached the students and families have already become to their current teachers. There are students in every regular stream class moving to a different class for Monday. As was discussed at last night's school council meeting, we are doing everything we can to make the change as seamless as possible. With that in mind, we would like to share some of the staffing changes connected to our re-organization.

Once again, the Clinton Street PS students, community, and staff have benefitted from Ms. Terry Lwin's expertise, patience, and professionalism. As many in the community know, on the third day of the school year, Ms. Lwin was gracious enough to become the teacher of Room 304. Ms. Lwin ensured a continuity of programming and effortless transition to the new year for all the students in the room. We cannot thank Ms. Lwin enough and we wish her well throughout the rest of the school year.

As of Monday, October 2, we welcome Ms. Kim Mills to the Clinton Street PS staff as the teacher of the new Grade 4 / 5 class in Room 304. Ms. Mills is an experienced occasional teacher who has worked at Clinton several times and is excited to have this opportunity. Ms. Mills was working at Clinton on both Thursday and Friday this week and has already had a chance to meet many of the students.

Also on Monday, Ms. Cassandra Moreira will become the teacher of the new Grade 2 / 3 class in Room 205. Last year, Ms. Moreira was working at Islington JMS in Etobicoke, and she has experience supporting exceptional students. Ms. Moreira worked at Clinton on Friday and had some time to meet the new students for Room 205. Ms. Moreira is also a Clinton Street PS graduate, so we welcome her to the staff and back to her neighbourhood.

We have two other pieces of staffing news to share. In elementary schools across the TDSB, certain teachers hold roles referred to as Positions of Responsibility (POR). As the name implies, PORs involve themselves in the organization, leadership, co-ordination, and communication of various aspects of school life. At Clinton Street PS, we had two POR roles available, and we recently completed the hiring process. The editorial staff at the Chronicle is pleased to announce that, for the next three years, the POR's at Clinton Street PS will be Ms. Ashley Weger and Ms. Angel Wu. Although Ms. Weger and Ms. Wu have only officially held the positions for 24 hours, Ms. Weger has been an active member of the staff team who altered our school's timetable to incorporate the new classes, and Ms. Wu played a key role in our Truth and Reconciliation Day ceremonies. Congratulations to Ms. Weger and Ms. Wu.

School Communication:

As you can see on the Chronicle banner, our school's website is found at www.clintonstreetschool.ca. We consistently update the website so that it is the main source for school-wide information. The school's calendar is also accessible via the website to keep you updated on whole-school or multi-class events (Photo Day – Oct. 2). Classroom teachers will communicate with their families regarding items more specific to their classrooms. We are a busy school and strive to keep you informed of all the activity.

Clinton Street PS Curriculum Night – Wednesday, October 4 from 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

From 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 4, Clinton Street PS will be holding its Curriculum Night. Whether you are new to Clinton, or an experienced Cougar family, we invite you to come to the school that evening, see your child(ren)'s classrooms, chat with the staff, our school council, and other members of the community. We hope to see you on October 4.

Clinton Cougar Spirit Wear

The Clinton Cougar Spirit Wear on-line store is now open. For families who are new to Clinton, two years ago, we created new logos for the school and made them available on various items. Last year we created a third logo in tribute of the 100th anniversary of a 1923 Clinton Street PS Hockey Championship team. As you will see on the site, there are different items available and there is an option to personalize pieces. All pieces can be delivered to the school and will arrive with a tag attached with your child(ren)'s name(s). We are looking to put any money made from the spirit wear sales towards upgrades for our new gym.

<https://clintonstreetps.topuniforms.store/>

We hope you enjoy the first days of fall. For the baseball fans in the Clinton community, this is the best time of the year.

Sincerely,

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