Email to Community Friday, February 9, 2018

Welcome to Semester 2!

We are more than one week into second semester and students are moving forward in their courses. We are happy to welcome a few new staff to the school. George Janeteus joins us from Leaside HS, teaching in the English and History departments. Joseph Jagielnik joins us from Lester B. Pearson CI and will be teaching Careers and Coop this semester. Jason Lamont returns to Forest Hill CI and will be teaching in the English department.

Semester 1 Report Cards

Final report cards from semester 1 are being sent home with students this afternoon. Students who are away today should see their Home Form teacher on Monday to get their report card.

Address Changes and Updates to contact information

If you have moved or if any of your contact information has changed, please contact the Main Office as soon as possible to update the school records. It is very important that we have accurate and up to date contact information for our students. Your help with this is appreciated.

Student Lockers

Over the past week, we have been reminding students to use the locker that was assigned to them at the start of the school year. Students may bring locks from home, or they purchase a Dudley lock from the Main Office for \$7. Students are not permitted to bring outdoor wear into their classes — coats and jackets should be left in student lockers. If your child does not recall their locker assignment, they can come to the office.

Course Selections for 2018-2019

While we have just started the semester, we are already looking ahead to next year. All returning grades have attended an information assembly about the course selection process. Students have received copies of the courses that the school is offering. There are several brand new courses available to students. Students can learn more about all course offerings through the MyBlueprint website. All students have an account, and they can share access with family members. The link to MyBlueprint is available on the Guidance website: http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/foresthill/Departments/Guidance-Cooperative-Education

Students can map out their course selections and see what post-secondary opportunities are available to them through the website. There are links to various college and university programs. Please review the choices that your child is making at this time. The choices will drive how our timetable is built for the upcoming school year. Accurate choices will help to ensure that the courses your child wants to take are available and accessible to them. A link to our Course Charts is available on the website homepage: http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/foresthill/

Course selections are submitted electronically through MyBlueprint, and a printed, signed copy of the submission form must be returned to Guidance by February 29, 2018.

Attendance

If your child is going to be absent or late for school, parent/guardians must notify the Main Office either by email (<u>ForestHill.Cl@tdsb.on.ca</u>) or by phone (416) 393-1860. You can leave a Voice Mail at any hour. Please clearly state your child's first and last name, grade, when they will be absent/late and the reason.

Semi Formal

We are very excited to be holding our first Semi Formal dance on Thursday, February 15 at 2nd Floor Events. If your child is attending, please be sure to have a ride home arranged no later than 11:00 p.m. It promises to be a great evening! Thank you to the members of the Student Council and the Staff Advisors (Ms. Grace, Ms. Pupovac and Mr. Moore) for the hard work and leadership in organizing this event.

A reminder that Tuesday is a PLC Late Start, Friday, February 16 is a PA day and Monday, February 19 is Family Day. Enjoy a 4 day long weekend!

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