

This is an important message from Nelson Mandela Park Public School. If you need help reading this letter please let the school know so we can make future accommodations.

NMPPS Weekly Message Friday, September 15, 2023

Please speak with your friends and neighbours, are they getting the emails from the school. Important information and updates are being sent this week and next. For example, all our grade 5s are eligible for Chromebooks but families need to complete an online permission form. It's crucial that we have your most up-to-date phone numbers and email addresses on record. If you know of any families who did not receive this email, please urge them to contact the school so we can update their information.

Upcoming Dates:

- Terry Fox Run - Sept 26th
- Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night - Sept. 28th - 5:30 to 6:30 PM
- Orange Shirt Day & National Day for Truth and Reconciliation - Sept 30th

NMPPS Library

Welcome back to a new school year, ready to be filled with reading and learning! The library is now up and running. Most classes will be visiting the library space each week, where we will begin by learning about library routines and book care. Students are always welcome to come in before school during 'Library Club'.

I am always looking for help shelving books in our beautiful space. Please contact me (hanna.merkley@tdsb.on.ca) if you have an hour a week (or every other week) to volunteer. Also, if you have a Grade 5-8 student who is interested in helping, please ask them to listen for announcements next week, when I will be asking for Day 3 'Library Helpers'.

Morning Library Club

A quiet time to read, research or exchange books

Day 2, 3 and 4

8:45-8:57 am

After School Swimming Lessons

We have been fortunate to continue to receive as a school community, swimming lesson spots specifically allocated to our school. [Please see the attached form with the dates and times of the program](#) . Your child received a hard copy of the attached form on Thursday September 14, and if you are interested, the completed forms must be returned to the main office of the school by 3:30 pm September 20, 2023. Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions or concerns.

Start of Year Forms

This is a friendly reminder to complete the 'Start of Year Forms' as soon as possible. These important forms include Medical Information, Consent for Walking Excursions, and Use of Online Devices, among others. Any previous issues with the forms have been resolved, and all forms have been successfully delivered to families. As mentioned before, these forms are digital and sent to the email address on file

with the school. Please check your inbox and junk mail folders if you have not completed them. The email subject will be 'TDSB Online Form Permission Click.'

School Cash Online

Nelson Mandela Park Public School utilizes School Cash Online, allowing families to conveniently pay for school fees (e.g., snack program, field trips, in-school presentations, pizza lunch). If you haven't already signed up for School Cash Online, you can do so here: [School Cash Online Signup Link](#). This platform accepts both credit and debit card payments. We encourage all families to sign up in advance using the provided link to receive email notifications when items become available for purchase.

Letter from Toronto Public Health - Reducing the Spread of Respiratory Viruses and Communicable Diseases

Please [read the attached letter](#) to help protect our school communities during respiratory illness season.

Nelson Mandela - EarlyON

Welcome to a new school year. The EarlyOn centre at Nelson Mandela is a free drop-in program for parents and caregivers of children 0-6 Years. The EarlyOn provides lots of opportunities to learn through play, and interacting with other children. It offers parents and caregivers a chance to meet other families in the community. I am also here to help connect you to the resources you need. I looking forward to meeting many new families and can't wait to see you at the EarlyOn. Join us in Room G05, Mon.-Fri. 8:45-12:15.

The poster features the 'Early ON' logo with a smiley face and the text 'Child and Family Centres'. A circular inset photo shows children playing at a table. The text describes the program as a place where parents/caregivers and children from babies to 6 years old can play and learn together in their local school. It lists benefits: no pre-registration needed, free for all families, snacks provided, and fun activities including story and music time, sand, water, art, and fun with numbers. The location is Nelson Mandela Park PS, 440 Shuter St, Queen's Park, and the hours are Monday-Friday, 8:45am-12:45pm. Contact information includes the phone number 416-394-2104 and the website <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/EarlyYears>. Logos for the Toronto District School Board and TDSB are also present.

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EarlyON Child and Family Centre

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For more information:
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