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September Newsletter

Principal's Message

Welcome to a New School Year!

On behalf of the staff, Ms. McKellar and myself, I am very happy to welcome everyone to Mundy's Bay P.S. for the 2018-2019 school year. I'm thrilled to be joining the Mundy's Bay community and look forward to the opportunity to get to know you all and to work with you.

Together, our staff is committed to fostering a warm, caring and supportive educational environment for your children. We believe in the value of a community school, where the school serves our students and families.

A very warm welcome to the new families who will be attending Mundy's Bay. You have joined a warm and vibrant community! A tremendous amount of work goes into starting a new school year. We would like to thank the staff for their continued hard work and dedication to our students. Our school office secretaries, Mrs. Ciurpita and Mrs. Cail, have put in countless hours in preparation for our September opening. Our caretaking staff, Mr. Traverse and his team, have worked hard at cleaning the school, and moving furniture. Our teachers have worked countless hours gathering materials, setting up classrooms and preparing the curriculum delivery for our September start. We are ready for learning!

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us at the school. Early communication between home and school is an important step in making sure that your child gets off to a positive start to our educational year.

Sincerely,

Sonia Kadela
Principal

Cindy McKellar
Vice Principal

Pizza and Milk

We will be offering pizza and milk again this year. Startup will be in October. More information to follow.

Gifted Screening Process

Some children who display an unusually advanced degree of general intellectual ability may require additional program support in order to reach their educational potential.

In consultation with parents, the school staff determines who these students are through the gifted screening process.

Parents of a student who will be in or above Grade 3 in the 2018-2019 school year, who wish the school to consider their child for screening, are asked to contact Peggy Taylor-Winter at 705-526-2091 ext. 26238 before September 26, 2018

Picture Day

Picture Day will be October 11th! More information to follow.

School Council

Please join us on **Wednesday, September 26th at 500 p.m.** for our first council meeting and our elections for this upcoming year. Parents/guardians of a student at Mundy's Bay Public School can vote in a school council election by becoming a parent member of the school council. Parents can nominate themselves to become a parent member on council by the nomination form, which can be picked up at the office and returned to the Principal by September 24th, 2018.

We welcome **all parents** and hope you will come out to see what's happening at Mundy's Bay.

Orange Shirt Day

On Monday October 1st, the Simcoe County District School Board will be recognizing Orange Shirt Day. This is a day to educate and promote awareness and understanding of the Residential School system and the impact it had on Canada's Indigenous communities.

On this day, students and staff at Mundy's Bay will be encouraged to wear orange in the spirit of reconciliation and hope for generations of children to come.

Cross Country Team

We are looking forward to another cross country running season. Students in grade 4-8 should be listening to announcements regarding tryouts and meetings regarding the cross country team. The Cross Country team will start up the second week of school.

Terry Fox

Our school walk will be held on Friday September 28th. We ask for a \$1.00 or \$2.00 donation for the Terry Fox Organization.

The Library Corner

Happy September one and all! My name is Mme. Buttineau and I am thrilled to be Mundy's Bay Public School's Teacher-Librarian. As the Teacher-Librarian I have many responsibilities. I will be managing the space by organizing our resources and technology, in addition to being highly involved in collaborating with classroom teachers. I am looking forward to the exciting year ahead as our Library is being transformed into a Learning Commons. Not only will we be exploring fiction and non-fiction books here, but our Learning Commons will provide a space for students to inquire, collaborate and discover! Throughout the month of September students will have their first visit to our newly redesigned space for a tour, introduction, and their first book exchange! If you have any questions or would like to contact me, my email is kbuttineau@scdsb.on.ca.

Some Book Exchange Reminders:

- Grades K-3: Are able to sign out 1 book each week.
- Grade 4-8: Are able to sign out 2 books each week.
- ◆ Handle all books with care and respect.
- ◆ Be responsible and return or renew books weekly.
- ◆ Report damaged or broken books to Mme. Buttineau.
- ◆ Have **FUN** reading!

New Simcoe County District School Board website launched this summer

Visit www.scdsb.on.ca to check out our brand new look! Our new website launched in July, providing users with an accessible experience that is mobile-friendly – it works well whether you're on a desktop computer, mobile phone or tablet. The new website also has improved search functionality and a special *SCDSBshines* section to highlight and celebrate the amazing accomplishments of our staff and students.

New Community Apps feature allows parents to register online and apply to volunteer

The new SCDSB Community Apps website provides access to volunteer and community applications for our schools – you can register your child(ren) for school or apply to be a volunteer at your school. More functionality will be added in the future. You can create a "Community Account" to access these applications. Visit communityapps.scdsb.on.ca to learn more.

Student Medical Form

A completed Student Medical Form (FORM A1420 - 1) is required each school year, or when a medical need is identified, or when the student transfers to another school, in order to authorize the administration of prescribed medication to students who require it during school hours, or when the medication and/or dosage requirements change.

Specific to asthma, every student is now permitted to carry their asthma medication if the student has their parent's/guardian's permission.

Parent(s)/guardian(s) and adult students are responsible for ensuring that a current, completed Student Medical Form is on file at the school. Parent(s)/guardian(s) and adult students are also to complete a Plan of Care for students with prevalent medical conditions such as anaphylaxis, asthma, type 1 diabetes, or epilepsy/seizure disorder.

Some students may experience severe life-threatening allergic reactions to bee, hornet, wasp or other flying insect stings or to certain foods or food ingredients such as peanuts. For students with life-threatening allergies, it is recommended that two doses of an epinephrine auto-injector are available on site at school.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school with any questions you may have.

