



WORSLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE OFFICE

The beautiful weather is now upon us and we are all enjoying the outdoors and the longer days with warm temperatures. Thank you to all the volunteers and staff for organizing our BBQ's, our dance-a-thon, Music Mania, spring concert and for supporting our students on a daily basis. Our community gardens are starting to sprout and our indoor garden is blooming with tasty treats. Our grade 8 trip was a huge success and the Worsley junior and intermediate bands are sounding great with all the practice and dedication. Our rugby team and junior volleyball teams worked hard and had a great season this year and we are starting our baseball and track season. We thank all our amazing staff for all their support and hard work in planning these amazing events and coaching our sports teams. We are so proud of all of Worsley students and staff and all that they do to represent Worsley at these events in our community. Grade 8 and kindergarten grad are in the planning.... Paris is the destination! Stay tuned for more details. We are well into planning for the fall and I would like to share some changes with you. It is at this time of the year that administration transfers begin at the board level and I wanted to share with you that for the fall I will be transferring down to the Bradford area. Although I am sad to leave the wonderful community of Worsley, and have enjoyed my 3 years here, I know that this is all part of the leadership journey. I will be taking many memories with me and am leaving this community as a stronger and more diversified leader. Thank you for all your support and for welcoming me into your community. I will miss all the dedicated staff, students, volunteers, council and community members. At this time, I would like to welcome Mr. Darrel Bax to Worsley as the new Principal for the fall. I know that our school and community will continue on a great path this fall with Mr. Bax and

Mrs. Ottewell and the Worsley Team! Worsley is making waves. Way to go Brigades! Enjoy the last month of school.

GRADE 8 / KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION



Grade 8 Graduation will be in our gym on Monday June 25 at 6:30 P.M.

Senior Kindergarten will have their graduation in our gym Tuesday June 26 at 1:45

2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

The Ministry of Education has approved the elementary and secondary school year calendars for the Simcoe County District School Board's 2018-19 school year.

2018-19 Highlights:

- First day of school: Tuesday, September 4, 2018
- First day of school for Junior Kindergarten students: Thursday, September 6, 2018
- Winter Break: December 24, 2018 to January 4, 2019
- March Break: March 11 to 15, 2019
- Last day for elementary students: Thursday, June 27, 2019
- Last day for secondary students: Wednesday, June 26, 2019

You can view the 2018-19 calendars on the SCDSB website (www.scdsb.on.ca) by clicking on 'Schools' and then 'School Year Calendars.'

PIZZA



Pizza will continue to be sold until June 22, the last Friday of the year. Thank you for supporting our fundraising

SAFE KIDS WEEK

This year's theme focuses on concussions at home, at play and on the road:

- Help reduce the likelihood of head injury, like concussions, during sports, recreation and unstructured play by encouraging your child to use correctly fitting protective equipment and to follow safety rules.
- Teach children about wearing the right helmet for the activity. For example: bike helmets can be used for cycling, in-line skating and scootering, but skateboarding helmets should be used for skateboarding as they cover the back of the head better.
- Recognize the signs and symptoms of a concussion, which can happen even without a direct hit to the head and without losing consciousness. If your child does have signs of concussion, remove them from the activity and seek medical care.
- Be sure to inform your school principal if your child sustains a concussion, either on or off school property.

Learn more at www.parachutecanada.org.

Information provided by the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit

EYE SEE EYE LEARNING PROGRAM

The Eye See...Eye Learn program provides comprehensive eye exams by local optometrists to Junior Kindergarten (JK) students. The eye exams are covered under the Ontario Health Insurance Plan (OHIP) when parents show their child's health card. There is no out-of-pocket cost for the eye exam and if the child requires a pair of glasses, they will receive them free of charge courtesy of a participating optometrist. For more information, visit www.Eyeseeyelearn.ca. The program is available for current JK students until June 30, 2018.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

Register now for child care at our school next school year. Your child's space in the program for September 2018 will be considered a priority if completed registration forms have been submitted to the child care operator by **June 30, 2018**. Please contact the Wasaga YMCA to register your child(ren).

SUMMER CHILD CARE OPTIONS

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) supports your child care needs by offering full-day child care programs in select schools across Simcoe County. Twenty schools offer child care programs for children from Junior Kindergarten age to 12 years old. Registration in advance is required. Please contact the child care operator directly to register. More information can be found on our website at www.scdsb.on.ca – click on 'Schools' then 'Before & After School Care.'

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Keep your kids healthy, active and engaged this summer. Summer is the time for kids to get outside and grow. But for some kids, exposure to activities that stimulate the body and mind ends with the school year. Studies show 90 per cent of children ages five to 11 years old in Canada do not meet their minimal physical activity requirements. We know that having an active lifestyle in the early years is essential to healthy child development and has a positive impact on mental health. Here are a few tips on how to keep your child's mind and body active this summer:

- Learn a new skill! Over the summer months, there is a wide variety of programs to keep children and youth active. Whether outdoors or in a facility like the YMCA, swimming is a summer time favourite. Consider signing your child up for swimming lessons, giving them the confidence they need to be safe in and around the water.
- Unplug and enjoy the outdoors! Did you know that the average Canadian child spends almost eight hours a day in front of a screen? Research tells us that when children are connected to their environment, they are healthier and happier. Look for opportunities for your child to get connected with nature.

With some creativity and advanced planning, parents can keep their children's minds and bodies active this summer! To learn more about the YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka, visit www.ymcaofsimcoemuskoka.ca.
Information provided by the YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka

INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE PROGRAMS

The SCDSB offers children in Grades 1 to 8 an opportunity to learn and/or maintain a language other than French or English. Whether you enrol your children in this program to learn a new language, understand a new culture or to extend their knowledge of their first or second language, every student can benefit from this program. The Barrie Learning Centre (Bayfield Mall) offers Arabic, Farsi, Korean, Mandarin, Russian, Spanish, Ukrainian and Urdu. The Bradford Learning Centre (157 Holland St. E, Suite 200) offers Arabic, Dari, Farsi, Mandarin, Russian, Spanish, Tamil, Ukrainian, Urdu and Vietnamese. The classes take place Saturday mornings, 9 to 11:30 a.m. starting Sept. 15 (classes are dependent on student enrollment). There is no charge for this program. Most classes fill quickly on a first come, first served basis. Register your child by visiting www.thelearningcentres.com and clicking on 'Elementary Student.'

GIFTED SCREENING PROCESS

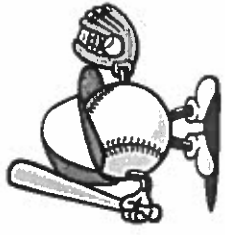
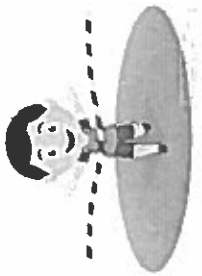
Students who display an advanced degree of general intellectual ability require additional program support in order to reach their educational potential. This support may be through enhancing the curriculum, differentiated instruction and through providing program modifications. This type of programming is important to engage, motivate and challenge students who are identified as gifted in either the regular classroom or in gifted classroom placements. Students may be nominated by either a teacher or parent/guardian. A letter examining the gifted screening process in greater detail will be sent to parents/guardians of students in Grade 3 in September. Parents/Guardians will still have the opportunity for nominating their child in September and October. If you require further information about the gifted screening process, please contact the school in September.

**Save the Date
Band Concert
&
Openhouse**

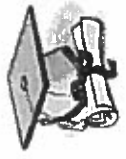

**Wednesday June 6, 2018
6:30pm**

Come and join the Worsley Junior and Intermediate Bands in their spring concert as they celebrate a great year of learning.

After the concert you will be able to try some of the instruments and learn more about our band programs at Worsley!



JUNE 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3	4 Day 4 6:30 School Council Library	5 Day 5 SUB DAY School Track & Field	6 Day 1 School Track & Field rain date	7 Day 2 Earth Rangers Assembly 2:00-3:00 Grades 1-6	8 Day 3 PIZZA DAY	9
10	11 Day 4	12 Day 5 SUB DAY Area Track & Field	13 Day 1 FUN FAJRI! 5:00 - 8:00 PM Clothing Drive	14 Day 2 Area Track & Field rain date	15 Day 3 PIZZA DAY	16
17	18 Day 4	19 Day 5 SUB DAY Scientists in the Classroom Grade 6-8 Wild Canada Outdoor Education Grade 1	20 Day 1	21 Day 2 Intermediate co-ed 3 Pitch Tournament New Lowell Sports Park	22 Day 3 PIZZA DAY Intermediate co-ed 3 Pitch Tournament New Lowell Sports Park - Rain Date	23
24	25 Day 4 Grade 8 Graduation 6:30pm 	26 Day 5 SUB DAY Senior Kindergarten Graduation 1:45pm 	27 Day 1	28 Day 2 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! End of Year assembly	29 PA DAY (No School)	30

Have a safe and happy summer!! Classes resume Tuesday September 4, 2018