



Plainville Public School



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September Character Trait: COURAGE

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Message from Ms. Marris

It is with great pleasure that I send you the first school newsletter of the 2017-2018 school year. We welcome some new staff members to our team. We also welcome our new JK students and all of our new families and know they will love being a part of our community.

September brings routine back into all of our lives, and comes with many bits and pieces of information. Thank you for taking the time to read teacher notices, and calendars. The agenda is a vital part of everyone's efforts to communicate, so we do appreciate that this tool is being used every day by students to keep on top of their responsibilities.

There are many great opportunities for students at Plainville to participate in activities beyond the classroom, so I do encourage everyone to seek out a volunteer role, or an extra-curricular activity to participate in ~ make the most of the Plainville experience!

Enjoy these first few weeks of start-up as you settle in to the school year. **We hope to see you at our WELCOME BACK BBQ /Bake Sale on FRIDAY SEPT 22 at 5:00.**

Ms. Marris



IMPORTANT MESSAGE ABOUT Plainville Public School's

☺RE-ORGANIZATION☺

As outlined in a letter sent home with June report cards, PPS will be required to undergo a staff and student re-organization to address the fact that our community population is growing. While it is never ideal to have to switch to a new class or teacher after starting the year, we are doing all that we can to ensure a successful transition for students. Teacher meetings are currently underway to make changes that reflect our commitment to social and academic success, and consider student needs and relationships here at school.

On page 2 of this newsletter you will find a chart outlining CURRENT staffing and NEW staffing organization.

➔WED. SEPT 13...

Letters go home to parents with the students who will be transitioning

➔ FRI. SEPT 15 ...NEW organization starts

As a result of the changes, we feel it more appropriate to wait until we have all settled into the changes before having our Welcome Back BBQ. Please read on for more information.

Thank you in advance for your support. Please contact me with any questions or concerns.

Christina Marris
Principal

Class Organization

Current Organization	New Organization
JK/SK – Cara Jack, Violet Bell	JSK – 12/9 Cara Jack Violet Bell
SK/1 – Sally Hansen, Collette Campbell	JSK 13/9 - Angela Shields, Collette Campbell
Gr 1/2 – Josie Merrett	Gr 1 (20) Sally Hansen
Gr 2/3 – Cheryl Franklin	Gr 2 (20) Josie Merrett
Gr 3/4 – Cindy Wilson	Gr 2/3 (8/12) Cheryl Franklin
Gr 4/5 – Carolyn Czulo	Gr ¾ (12/11) – Cindy Wilson
Gr 6 – Mary Beth Muir	Gr 4/5 (6/20) Carolyn Czulo
	Gr 6 (27) Mary Beth Muir *no changes



PLAINVILLE IS BECOMING EDSBY'FIED!

Our Board of Education has launched a new and exciting platform for communication with parent and students called **EDSBY**. It is a completely secure way to connect with your teacher, and for your teacher to connect with your child and you, the parents. Please ensure that our office has your correct email and an invitation to connect with EDSBY will be sent to you.

School Council

HELP IS NEEDED 😊

WE NEED YOU!!

The first PPS Council meeting will be Monday Sept 25 at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. The bi-monthly meetings (that's only 4 per year!!) are a great way to give your input, share ideas and help with organizing school-wide activities. The meetings are fun and brief. We would LOVE to see new faces!!

Fundraising/School Council

***we will discuss future fundraising at our meeting on Sept 25:)**

~**Boston Pizza** We are happy to be teamed up with Boston Pizza (Cobourg location only) where 10% of sales from “Plainville” orders come back directly to the school. Simply record “Plainville” at the top of your receipt and place it in the box in the restaurant lobby.

Food and Nutrition Info



Milk Program

Ordering milk and distribution of milk will take place soon. Keep your eyes open for an order form:)

Hot Lunches

Preparation of hot lunch CAN take place when we get volunteers to assist at the school. Please let us know if you can help!

Breakfast

We have had an amazing yet simple breakfast program for the past three years We cannot continue it without help. Please contact the school if you can spare an hour in the morning, or time during the week to do some shopping. Even if a student has had breakfast, they often come to the program to ‘top up’ before their day starts! |

The Sports Report

~We are getting ready to start **cross country running and junior soccer**.



~Our annual Terry Fox Run takes place on Thursday Sept 28. We will raise some funds in Terry's memory by having a coin drive that week. More info is coming!

~Some of our Grade 6 students are being trained as recess Play Pals by Mrs. Wilson - it will be great to have this leadership opportunity:)

Info from KPRDSB

Parent Conference on Mental Health

KPR invites all parents and guardians to join us at our free, annual Parent Conference, to learn more about children's and teens' mental health.

2017 KPR Parent Conference – Minds Matter @ KPR

Saturday, October 21
8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Adam Scott CVI, 175 Langton St. (at Hilliard St), Peterborough

Keynote Speaker: Sara Westbrook

Three Habits of Resilient Families

Plus Choice of Workshops, Agency Displays,
Refreshments & Child Minding for Ages 2 & Older

And it's all FREE! Look for more information and on-line registration later in September on the home page at www.kprschools.ca.

UPCOMING DATES

- Sept 22 -WELCOME BACK BBQ/Bake sale 5:00-6:30
- Sept 25 – School Council 6pm
- Sept 28 – Terry Fox/red&white Run here at school

- Sept 29– PA Day
- Oct 12 – photos

Parent Volunteers who work with students

If you are interested in helping out in your child's classroom, or with supervising on an excursion, you will need a police record check (PRC). Please drop by the school to fill out a form, and bring 2 pieces of ID with you (one needs to be a photo, and health cards cannot be used). If you've received a call from the OPP to say you can pick up your papers, please bring them to the school so that we can view them, and add you to our PRC system.

This year you can take care of this at our BBQ!

Thanks in advance for helping our students!

School Photos

Photos will be taken on October 12 with re-takes on November 15. Edge photography is the company who takes our photos.

Safety

~Student information forms went home earlier this week. Thank you for taking the time to go through them carefully and adjust information where necessary. Should emergency contact information, phone numbers, or any other pertinent information change over the school year, please advise our office immediately.

~Our safe arrival program is extremely important. Thank you for calling the **SAFE ARRIVAL number – 1- 866-740-2902**



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Library/Tech News

Earphones for the Computer Lab

Your child visits the computer lab every week. The computer programs they are introduced to are engaging and educational, focusing on developing fundamental language and math skills. Since many of the programs have an audio component your child would benefit from the use of a headset so that they can focus on their computer without being distracted by the computers on either side of them. If you are able, please send to school earphones that you are comfortable leaving at school for the year. These will be labeled with your child's name, and kept in the library so that they are available whenever your child visits the computer lab. Earphones can be purchased inexpensively at most dollar stores. Most young children appear to prefer headsets that go over their head rather than ear buds. Thank you for your assistance!

Mrs. Smith

Teacher Librarian

First Day Back to School Photos!!→



“Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, today is a gift – that’s why they call it ‘present’”

Joan Rivers

