



Cartwright Central PS

School Newsletter – Back to School Issue



September 2019

Welcome Back!

We are having a wonderful start up. The staff and students are settling into regular routines after the first few days back.

In June, we said a fond farewell to several staff members and now we welcome new and returning staff to our school. We welcome back Teri Dennis as secretary, Kathy Smith as SSP teacher and Sherrie Terrell as intervener. At the same time, we say goodbye to custodian Christine Zevenhoven. We extend a warm welcome to Stacey Bice DECE, Stephanie Pritchard and Holly Gagnon as interpreters, Holly Williams as EA and Kristie Glen, custodian. We are looking forward to working with all of you over the next few months. It is going to be another great year!



Please visit the DDSB Parent Portal for all Registration and Registration information updates

- Sign up for Safe Arrival
- Student transportation arrangements
- Important verifications, permissions, and waivers

Tech support, computer & wifi access available at the school

Now hiring : Supply Lunchroom Supervisors



- ✓ 10:50 - 11:50 am Monday – Friday
- ✓ 2-5 times per week
- ✓ This is a paid position
- ✓ Contact CCPS office (905) 986-4227

CCPS Students Matter!

CCPS Events

Thurs. Sept. 19th

Cartwright Open House & Annual BBQ hosted by SCC

5:00 – 6:30 cash BBQ

6:00 – 7:00 Meet the Teacher

A special Thank You goes to the Blackstock Lions Club for handling the BBQ dinner

Photo Day - Tues. Sept. 17th

Volunteers need – contact office

SCC Elections - Tues. Sept. 17th & Meeting @ 6:30pm

BBQ & Open - Thurs. Sept. 19th House

St. Donat info mtg - Thurs. Sept. 19th @ 7:00pm

Terry Fox Run – Thurs Sept 26th @ 12:00

Orange Shirt Day - Mon. Sept. 30^h

The staff, students and community of Cartwright Central P.S. will support each other in promoting positive interactions and an inclusive school environment. At Cartwright PS, we agree to promote positive interactions by ensuring...

- We act **kindly** and **take a stand** to eliminate **harassment, teasing, and bullying**
- We keep **hurtful comments, hands, & feet** to ourselves
- We **speak, listen** and **act respectfully** and with **good purpose**
- We **include everyone** and **respect each other's differences** and their **right to learn**

SCC Hot Lunches

start date to be determined – depending on volunteer availability

The SCC is looking for volunteers to run this valuable program

If you are interested, contact the CCPS Office (905) 986-4227

A word about class organizations and class size

In the fall, the school and the board monitor numbers and we adjust class lists based on class size guidelines. We work together to make sure we comply with DDSB and Ministry guidelines. From mid-September to October, the board may decide to add or subtract a class from our school compliment necessitating a reorganization of the classes. In these cases, the CCPS staff works collaboratively to re-group/move students, in a manner that meet the needs of the whole school, so that we again comply with DDSB and Ministry guidelines. Parent requests on file from June are considered. We are finalizing our registrations and are waiting on news on our status. We thank you for your patience and understanding. Please know our staff is committed to ensuring any all transitions are as smooth as possible and everyone has a good year.

All rates are one-time annual premiums. The insurance agreement is between **you** and **Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada**. For complete details, please refer to the *insuremykids Protection Plan* information/application form or visit their website at www.insuremykids.com.

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Families should however recognize that there is always a potential risk of injury with field trips, sports and other student activities both on and off school grounds. Accidents can happen, despite precautions to prevent them. Accidental injuries may involve medical, dental or other expenses not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans.

Please be aware that the Durham District School Board does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries. For your convenience, we do make available a Student Accident Insurance program through Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada. This program offers a variety of plans and benefits at affordable prices.

Please direct any questions to Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada toll free at 1-800-463-5437.

SAFETY POLICIES AND PRACTICES - working together to ensure CCPS is a safer place!



Again this year...

We have a safe crossing location on Old Scugog Road and Alexander Street, Blackstock with a Crossing Guard! The area will be staffed by the region from 7:15am - 8:15am & 2:20pm - 3:20pm. Thank you to the community members who advocated for and use this valuable resource and to the township of Scugog for providing this valuable service.

Note: The Township is often looking for spare guards to fill in for absences. Please submit a Crossing Guard Application to the Human Resources Department, Township of Scugog, 181 Perry Street, P.O. Box 780, Port Perry, ON L9L 1A7, at the Municipal Office or via email rhulowski@scugog.ca. Applications are available at www.scugog.ca

Safe and orderly parking...

Important points to remember - Buses have the right of way entering and exiting the school zone. Please do not move your vehicle in the parking lot when busses are in the loading zone. It is important that Alexander Street remain accessible, especially during bus drop off and pick up times. No parking is permitted on the school sidewalk at any time. Please note the "No Parking" signs posted on the south side of Alexander Street. The Municipality reinforces parking in this area. If parking spots are not available, you can look for parking along one of the side streets. We appreciate your cooperation and assistance maintaining safe exit and entry procedures for our students.

Always, start your visits at the office ...

In accordance with the Durham District School Board Safety Policy, all school doors will be locked from the outside during instructional class times. At CCPS that is 8:00 am. All access to the school after this time should be through the main doors at the front. All visitors will be buzzed into the school through the main entrance and must sign in and begin their visit at the office. Parent volunteers, lunchroom supervisors, and visitors are asked to wear ID tags that are available at the office.

When students have to leave during the school day...

Students are able to leave during the school day, after the parent has come to the office to sign them out. Please use the new safe arrival app to report absences and to notify us if you plan to pick your child up from school before regular dismissal time. The office will receive this information. A note in the agenda is also helpful for the teacher. The DDSB Safety Policy requires parents and guardians come into the office to sign their child out. Thank you for your help in keeping students safe.

Allergy Awareness

We are an allergy aware school. Many children have allergies. A few, however, have life-threatening allergies. Some children, for example, are severely allergic to peanut products, including peanut butter. Even a tiny bit can be fatal within minutes. Nuts, eggs, soy, fish, shellfish, wheat, milk, sunflower/sesame seeds and sulphites, are known to cause severe reactions. Their families take on the responsibility this type of allergy requires but we can all help.

In our school, **we have students who have life-threatening allergies to peanuts, tree nuts, sunflower seeds, and their related oils / products.** Please do not send items with these ingredients to school.

Our school board has a policy in place to help protect children with life-threatening allergies. If you are the parent of a child with a life-threatening allergy, we need your cooperation in providing the school with current medical information & documentation and assistance in developing a plan to protect your child's health. When that plan is in place, we ask for the cooperation of all parents and students in the school to help protect the allergic child from danger.

With your help, we will do our best to prevent mishaps and to make sure that all of our students are safe, healthy, and able to concentrate on learning. If you would like further information about our policies and practices, please call the school.



Dates of Significance

September

- **International Literacy Day – Sept 8**
- **International Day of Peace – Sept 21**
- **Franco-Ontarian Day – Sept 25**
- **Ally Week - September 23-27**

Ally Week is about encouraging students to be allies with the LGBT members of their community in standing against [bullying](#), [harassment](#) and name-calling.

The goal of Ally Week is to diminish stereotypes and exclusion while highlighting that peer support for LGBT+ students. Allies are identified as supporters but not necessarily members of a marginalized group. During Ally Week people are encouraged to sign an ally pledge "taking a stand for a safe and harassment-free school for all students", and that they will not use anti-LGBT+ language and slurs, they will intervene if possible to stop bullying and harassment and support safer schools efforts.

September 30 – Orange Shirt Day

We mark Orange Shirt Day as a way to recognize the experience of former students of Indian Residential Schools and ensure that every child matters. Orange Shirt Day stems from a story told by former residential school student, Phyllis Webstad, who had her new orange shirt, bought by her grandmother, taken from her as a six-year old girl. In the spirit of healing and reconciliation, we acknowledge it speaks to the many harms experienced by children in the residential schools.

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