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www.granderie.ca/schools/lakewood

Lakewood Upcoming Events:

- Jan 12 – Colour House Day
- Jan 15 – Hot Lunch/Milk Due Online
- Jan 16 – SCS Parent Info Night from 6-7:30pm
- Jan 18 – HEP B & HPV Clinic
- Jan 19 – PJ Day
- Jan 22 – PA Day
- Jan 26 – Toque Day
- Jan 31 – JK/SK Music Presentation

JANUARY 2018

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to each of you! This is an excellent time of year for all students to set a new goal to enhance their academic success. This New Year brings with it a few staff changes. We welcome Mlle Dubinsky, filling in for Mme Samborski who is off on a maternity leave for the rest of the year. We also wish Ms Jamieson all the best as she moves to support students at Delhi Public School.

With winter weather here, I have reminded students that snow stays on the ground. Throwing and kicking of snow is too dangerous at school. Students should dress for the weather. Indoor recesses will take place at times of extreme cold.

For parents of older children, please be reminded that when your children arrive at school, they are not to then go off of school property again and go over to the skateboard park. Please reinforce this expectation with your children at home.

Lastly, important information about registration for Kindergarten is found on the next page. It's hard to believe it, but we start next year's staffing based on Kindergarten registration numbers. Spread the word to family and friends that it's that time of year to register children turning 4 by the end of December 2018.

Wishing all a fantastic 2018!
David Van Laecke



Lakewood Parent Group:

LPC would like to thank you all for your support in all of our efforts this year so far. And specifically the snack program donations which are making a huge difference to our student nutrition. We will be taking a break in January but as always, please let us know if you have anything you would like to see added to the Feb Agenda. Our next meeting is February 5, 2018. Coming in February we are pleased to announce a FREE family event in partnership with Art With Heart through our PRO grant! Watch for the RSVP details to come home mid-January. We would like to wish you all a very Happy Holiday season!

Character Focus for January is self-control.

Kindergarten Registration Begins January 8, 2018

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Grand Erie's Kindergarten programs help students get off to the best possible start. Children are challenged and encouraged to do their very best and build relationships with caring teachers who are with them every step of the way.

Children eligible for Junior Kindergarten must be four (4) years old by December 31, 2018 in order to register.

Contact Lakewood at 519-583-0830 to arrange a visit or to learn more about what's needed to register.

To receive a copy of Grand Erie's *Welcome to Kindergarten Guide*, please contact Mr. David Van Laecke.



Inclement Weather

Lakewood Elementary School is in ZONE 1.

Transportation delays and/or Weather-related school closures are communicated in a variety of ways by 6:30 a.m.: Radio (FM 98.9, 92.1 & 101.3) and Websites (www.granderie.ca and www.stsbhn.ca).

Hot Lunch & School Trips

All hot lunch and school trips are to be completed online. If you need assistance registering to schoolcashionline.com or any help in navigating the online purchasing method, don't hesitate to contact School Cash Online - Parent Help Desk at 1-866-961-1803 or parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com.

French Immersion Kindergarten Registration Begins January 8, 2018

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Families new to Grand Erie's French Immersion program and those who currently have a child in the program **must register by no later than February 9, 2018 at 4 p.m.**

Overview of the French Immersion Registration Process

- A cap for Junior and Senior Kindergarten as well as Grade 1 is in effect for French Immersion at all sites
- There are limited spaces available for students entering the program
- Students who currently have siblings in the program are guaranteed a spot. Registration, however, is still required
- No out-of-area requests will be permitted
- A randomized selection process will be used for new families to grant access into Grand Erie's French Immersion program

Families will receive confirmation of placement in the French Immersion program or information on the wait list process no later than February 26, 2018.

For more information, please speak with me or visit www.granderie.ca.

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Batteries & Old Markers for Recycling

We have a pail in the office for accepting used batteries, and a box for used markers. Send them to the office. Let's protect our environment and recycle!