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www.granderie.ca/schools/lynndaleheights

September 2017

Principal – William Valoppi
Vice-Principal – Nancy Norton

Secretaries – Sheryl Arnold,
Aimee Rixmann

Message from the Principal

I am looking forward to another great school year! Lynndale Heights Public School has an excellent reputation as a great school and it is a very desirable school for students to attend! This is a result of continued parental and community support, along with a caring staff. Research has shown that families and parental involvement has a major influence on their children's achievement at school. Also, the teaching staff is dedicated to providing many different learning opportunities for students to demonstrate their learning and improve their achievement. I am also very excited by the variety of sports activities and clubs that are being offered to students.

Lynndale Heights students, parents, staff, volunteers and the community work hard together resulting in a caring, respectful and productive learning environment for all of us.

In a effort to keep the community up to date, visit our school website at <http://www.granderie.ca/schools/lynndaleheights> . You will notice that the school website has a new look. All Grand Erie school websites have been refreshed over the summer.

You can also like us on **Facebook** and follow us on **Twitter** (@LynndaleHeights, #LynndaleHeights).



If you have any concerns, questions, or comments, please contact me.

William Valoppi

Nut Aware School



Just a reminder that Lynndale Heights is a nut aware school. We appreciate the co-operation of all families to keep nut products out of the school. **Please be sure that your child(ren) does not bring nuts nor nut products (e.g. peanut butter) to school**, like

nuts in any form | peanut butter | peanut oil | baked items containing nut products | foods cooked in peanut oils, such as home style potato chips

Visit the Haldimand–Norfolk Health Unit website, for some ideas for peanut / nut-free lunches and snacks: <https://hnhu.org/health-topic/peanutnut-safe-lunches/>

Lynndale Heights Staff

Kindergarten A	JKA, SKA	Ann Reid, Kristine Courier
Kindergarten B	JKB, SKB	Katie Robinson (Tanya Cail), Amy Gee
Kindergarten C	JKC, SKC	Alex Pryce (Brittany Laidlaw), Kim Strohmman
Grade 1	1C	Kyle Osmon (Sarah Gaertner)
Grade 1/2	1A/2A	Tara DeMaere
Grade 1/2	1B/2B	LeeAnn Rustan
Grade 2/3	2C/3C	Rebecca Wiebe
Grade 3/4	3A/4A	Brian Auld
Grade 3	3B	Jennifer Sibbett
Grade 4/5	4B/5B	Diane Clark
Grade 5	5C	Deana Gates
Grade 5/6	5A/6A	Alaa Obeid
Grade 6/7	6B/7B	Todd Guthrie
Grade 7	7A	Brad Dalimonte
Grade 8	8A	Trudy Oakes Emilie Holmes (Grade 8 Prep/LRT Support)
Self-Contained	E	Mike Storoschuk
Learning Resource		Tracey Koskela
Educational Assistants		Joyce Breedyk, Karen Crosier, Paige Logan, Sherry Myers, Diane Rombough, Kathryn Stewart
French		Christine Kazakevicius
Prep		Erin Sangster-Preston
Teacher - Librarian		Lilly Senko
Custodial Staff		Dave McLellan
Secretaries		Sheryl Arnold, Aimee Rixmann
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Meet the Teacher

Our **Meet the Teacher** evening is on **Thursday, September 14, 2017, from 5:30 to 7:00 pm**. Please come out to meet or reacquaint yourself with your child's teacher. Please do not send your child to this event unattended. We look forward to seeing you and meeting with you!

Attendance

The Ontario Education Act requires students to **attend school regularly and punctually**. Prolonged absence or sporadic attendance will result in a gap in learning.

Parents are required to phone the school if a student will be absent or late. Please phone 429-2997 each day of your child's absence, by 9:00 a.m. Messages may be left on the school answering machine, after school hours.

Students are responsible for acquiring and completing work missed during their absence.

Parents planning to take students out of school for family holidays should make prior arrangements with the school. A Request for Absence form is available in the school office for absences longer than a week.

All students who arrive late or who leave early for appointments must sign in and out at the school office. Parents picking up their children must report at the office.

School success depends on excellent attendance

For your child to get the most out of school, he needs to be there—and on time! Research shows that missing 10 percent or more of school days hurts success. To prevent absenteeism:

- **Stick to a schedule.**
Maintain routines.
- **Schedule carefully.**
Make appointments during non-school hours.
- **Seek help when needed.** If your family struggles with transportation, child-care or other issues, talk with school staff.



Source: H.N. Chang and M. Romero, "Present, Engaged, and Accounted For," National Center for Children in Poverty, www.nccp.org/publications/pub_837.html.

Bell times at Lynndale

8:40 am	<i>Entry to the school</i>
8:40 - 9:20 am	Period 1
9:20 - 10:00 am	Period 2
10:00 - 10:40 am	Period 3
10:40 - 11:20 am	<i>Nutrition Break #1: 10:40 - 11:00 students outside for recess; 11:00 - 11:20 students inside for snack.</i>
11:20 - 12:20 pm	Period 4
12:20 - 1:00 pm	Period 5
1:00 - 1:40 pm	<i>Nutrition Break #2: 1:00 - 1:20 students outside for recess; 1:20 - 1:40 students inside for lunch.</i>
1:40 - 2:20 pm	Period 6
2:20 - 3:00 pm	Period 7
3:00 pm	<i>Dismissal</i>

Supervision of students begins at 8:30 a.m.

Parents are responsible for their children at all other times.

School Cash Online

Hot Lunches ...

Our hot lunches were very popular last year. Starting in October, Chicken lunch will continue every Wednesday (October 4, 11, 18, 15; 3-4 pieces of chicken, dipping sauce, carrots and celery for \$3.00) and Pizza is every Thursday (October 5, 12, 19, 16; for \$1.50 per slice). **Online ordering for the month of October will begin on Monday, September 11 and end on Wednesday, September 27.**

Milk Program....

Chocolate or White Milk is delivered every day at lunch. It is paid one month in advance at the cost of 75 cents for 250 ml carton. **Online ordering for the month of October will begin on Monday, September 11 and end on Wednesday, September 27.**

School Cash Online

New Online Payment Program Available at Schools Now!

Grand Erie made paying for school items that much easier.

- This program is quick, easy and safe
- You can manage payments for each child in one program
- Your banking and personal information is protected

Register by following the easy steps below:

- Visit www.schoolcashonline.com
- Select "Get Started Now" and follow the steps to register
- After you receive the confirmation email, please select the "click here" option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account.

School staff showcase items for purchase in a School Cash Catalog and post it to the Parent Site. From there, parents receive email notification, check the Parent Site and click through to pay. Funds are moved electronically from the parent's bank account to the school's bank account.

For more information and support contact the Parent Help Desk at 1-866-961-1803 or parenthelp@schoolcashonline.com

Parent Council

The first Parent Council meeting for 2017-2018 is scheduled for Sept. 21 (7:00 pm start). All interested parents are welcome to attend any or all Parent Council meetings. You do not need to be a member of the Parent Council to attend. **Hope to see you there - the Parent Council is looking for new ideas!**

Elections will be held for the following positions: CHAIR, VICE-CHAIR, SECRETARY, and TREASURER.



"When you go once a week as a volunteer and that child's eyes light up when you appear at the door and they know it's their time, their special time to go with their Volunteer Coach....it's pretty magical.

*- Joe Persia,
Volunteer Coach*



Become a Volunteer Coach in the *Letters, Sounds and Words* program

The *Letters, Sounds and Words*™ program is a fun and engaging way to get involved in helping young children learn to read. Volunteer's work one-on-one with a child during the school day, playing carefully designed games and activities that boost literacy skills. The games are organized in 4 strands: Letters, Sounds, Words, and Building Words, and children are enrolled in 2-3 strands at a time.

You Can Make a Difference in the Life of a Child

- Work one-on-one with a child in Senior Kindergarten, Grade 1 or 2.
- Play fun games and activities to develop a child's literacy skills.
- **Attend ANY** two, 2-hour training sessions. (one Part 1 and one Part 2 training)

Training will take place at Lynndale Heights Public School:

Part 1 – Tues., Oct. 10th, 2017

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Register: www.strongstart.ca

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Part 2 – Tues., Oct. 17th, 2017

10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Register: www.strongstart.ca

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Note: New volunteers need to attend both a Part 1 and Part 2 training session in order to be certified. You may register at the door.

Volunteers may also register for **any** of the available training sessions. See www.stongstart.ca to view all the available options.

For more information on this volunteer opportunity, please visit www.strongstart.ca, or contact Ruth Mills, Program Co-ordinator by e-mail at rmills@strongstart.ca, or by phone at 519-743-9578 x106.



September 2017

at Lynndale Heights P.S.

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
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3	4 LABOUR DAY	5 – DAY 1 First day of school.	6 – DAY 2	7 – DAY 3	8 – DAY 4	9
10	11 – DAY 5 Lunch and milk ordering open on School Cash Online.	12 – DAY 1	13 – DAY 2 "Farm to School" fundraiser starts.	14 – DAY 3 Meet the Teacher (5:30 – 7:00 pm)	15 PA DAY (no school for students).	16
17	18 – DAY 4	19 – DAY 5	20 – DAY 1	21 – DAY 2 Parent Council mtg (7:00 pm).	22 – DAY 3	23
24	25 – DAY 4	26 – DAY 5	27 – DAY 1 Deadline for hot lunch and milk ordering on School Cash Online.	28 – DAY 2	29 – DAY 3 Terry Fox run.	30

Notes

"Farm to School" fundraiser ends October 4, 2017.

Snack program starts on October 5, 2017.

School photos on October 17 and 18 (details to follow).