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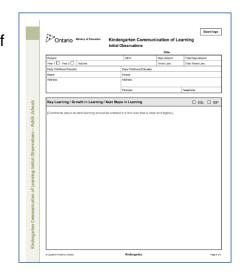
Kindergarten Communication of Learning and Progress Report Cards

Kindergarten Communication of Learning, Initial Observations, and grade 1-8 Progress Report Cards will go home Wednesday, November 15, 2017.

For grade 1-8 students, teachers will be providing a letter symbol for each of the Learning Skills and Work Habits (E – Excellent; G – Good; S – Satisfactory; N – Needs Improvement), along with some comments. On page 2, for subjects that have been taught since the beginning of the school year, students will have a check box for Progressing Very Well, Progressing Well, or Progressing With Difficulty. *Note that the Progress Report is not a direct predictor of student achievement on the Report Card, at the end of Term 1* (Term 1 Report Cards will be going home on Thursday, February 15, 2018). Please return the bottom of page 2 of the Progress Report Card to your child's teacher.

NEW! - Parents of Kindergarten children will be invited to attend interviews to discuss the Kindergarten Communication of Learning: Initial Observations. These interviews will take place November 16th and 17th and will align with the interview process currently in place for Grades 1-8. Please note: The Kindergarten Communication of Learning: Initial Observations replaces Grand Erie's former Kindergarten Conference Report.

Parent – Teacher Conferences are scheduled by homeroom teachers, with most planned for the late afternoon / evening of Thursday, November 16 and the morning of Friday, November 17 (just a reminder that November 17 is a PA Day, so there is no school for students). A form for interview times will be sent home in the very near future.



Remembrance Day

Our annual Remembrance Day service will be held in the gym Friday, November 10 (since Remembrance Day is on a Saturday this year). Parents are cordially invited to attend this service, in the Lynndale gym, at 12 noon. Following the service, wreaths laid in the gym will be moved to the front foyer of the school. Poppy stickers (for younger students) and poppies with pins are available to students at the school – donations are welcome



Lynndale Sports

Road Race

Congratulations to the Road Race Team for representing Lynndale very well at the grade 7 and 8 race on October 3, at the Norfolk County Fair. They ran their best in front a large crowd and should be proud of their achievement. Special acknowledgement to Mackenzie P. for placing 6th overall in the Elementary Girls race! Thanks to coaches Ms. Sangster-Preston and DeMaere.



Cross Country

Mrs. Sangster-Preston and Mrs. DeMaere would like to congratulate all the cross country runners that ran in the cross country meet at Memorial Park on October 12. We are so very proud of your accomplishments and the effort you put forth during the race and in all the practices during recess and after school. We want to say thank you to all 38 runners for representing Lynndale so well, with your encouragement of each other and for the other teams. Good Luck to Logan S. who will be running in the CAGE championship on October 30th.





Junior Soccer

On October 2, 2017, our Junior Soccer Team took to the Delhi field each and every game with a positive attitude and incredible energy. Coach Ms. Sibbett is very proud of the fine sportsmanship and outstanding level of teamwork that our students displayed. They played a total of 5 games and not one goal scored against our goalies Tyler H., Sullivan S. and Max T. Amazing! Each player on the team gave more than 100%! The games were outstanding, not only because of the scores but also



how the players worked as a team. Congratulations to Tyler, Sullivan, Max, Emily, Easton, Harlow, Logan, Avery, Lucas, Brendan, Sammee, Jase, Finn, Lorin, Olivia, Jenny and Monty. The Junior Team won the "A" Division – this earned them a place at the CAGE (Council of Athletics in Grand Erie) tournament, in Brantford on October 25th. They played with outstanding effort, enthusiasm and ability. Although they lost both games 3-0 and 1-0 (against the top teams from Brantford and Haldimand), the players should be proud of their accomplishments this season.

Intermediate Soccer

Congratulations to the Intermediate Soccer Team for winning the "B" Division pennant at the October 5th tournament at the Benson and Hedges fields in Delhi. Lynndale had a close game against Waterford, first thing in the morning, narrowly missing a tie. We went on to face Langton, winning 5-0, which put Lynndale into the "B" Division. Great passing, strong defence and aggressive offensive play helped the team defeat the next three teams: 6-1, 3-1, and 2-0. Coach Mrs. Rustan is very proud of you! Congratulations to: Lainey D., Taylor P., Hayden V., Jayden H., Olivia S., Teagan G., Mackenzie P., Mason H., Dashon G., Garrett B., Evan R., Tyler R., Christopher R., Dylan C., Vincent H., Dildar D., Nick R., and Tate M.

Safety Matters!

We have been having **Fire Drills** as part of safety procedures at Lynndale Heights Public School. Fire Drills help us to practice leaving the school in a quick and safe manner, whether students and staff are in classrooms, in the library or in the gym. We then ensure that no one is in the school. Teachers also report that all students are accounted for.

On Thursday, October 19, representatives from the Sharp Bus Company gave a **School Bus Evacuation** presentation to all Lynndale students. There were assemblies in the gym, followed by a practice to evacuate an actual bus. Thanks to the older students who helped the smaller students off the bus. This will help if ever there is a school bus emergency situation to / from school or during a field trip.

Also, in the very near future, staff and students will be practising **lock down procedures** in case of an emergency. Prior to the practice, teachers will discuss the lock down procedure with students in ways that every age group can understand. They will calmly instruct students how they are to respond when the lock down code is announced over the school's P.A. system. We will do everything we can to inform students that there are very rare occasions when this type of drill is necessary and that their safety is our number one concern. We will use this drill to assess our response and to continue to review our procedures. These drills are intended for schools to practice lock down procedures in response to a threat to the school (e.g. extreme weather conditions, unsafe person inside or outside of the school, situation in the community, etc.). We strongly encourage you to have follow-up discussions with your children about the lock down procedure and help to reassure them that these are rare occurrences and that the staff is trained to address these situations and keep them safe at school.

Student Council

Student Council speeches and elections were held on October 16. After thoughtful voting by grade 4 to 8 students, this is the Student Council executive for 2017 - 2018:

Christopher R. (President), Jordan R. (Vice-President), Teagan G. (Secretary) and Olivia S. (Treasurer). The following students were elected by their class mates to act as classroom representative on Student Council: Auld (grade 3/4): Mylee W. and Jack W.; Clark (grade 4/5): Payton D. and Nicholas R.; Gates (grade 5): Harlow and Will P.; Obeid (grade 5/6): Aiden K. and Sarina H.; Guthrie (grade 6): Tyler H. and Kaylee H.; Dalimonte (grade 7): Evan P. and Jayden H.; Kazakevicius (grade 7/8): Grace D. and Jessie H.; Oakes (grade 8): Morgan C. and Taryn M.; and Storoschuk: Dominic G. and Shandin B. The Student Council are very busy organizing Spirit Days and other student activities (e.g. Halloween Dance).

Lynndale Heights Parent Council

The second meeting of the Lynndale Heights Parent Council was held on Thursday, October 19, 2017. Fifteen parents attended, along with two staff members. The agenda included discussion items such as ARC review and upcoming events (for example, this year's Poinsettia Fundraiser runs November 1 to 19, using School Cash Online).

The third meeting for the Lynndale Heights Parent Council is scheduled for Thursday, November 23, 2017 (7:00 – 8:30 pm). The agenda includes a number of discussion items that will help to make LHPS a great school. All interested parents are welcome to attend any or all Parent Council meetings. Meetings occur once a month, usually on the third Thursday. Meeting minutes are posted on the school website.

I want to thank everyone who participated and helped make the "Fresh from the Farm" Fall Fundraiser a success, especially in its first year. Congratulations to our winners of the Fall Fundraiser: Kindergarten - Ben A. - 15 bags (2 adult and 2 kids movie passes); Primary (Grade 1 - 3) - Mason C. - 14 bags (2 kids movie passes and 2-\$5 Subway gift cards); Junior (Grade 4 - 6) - Owen D. - 27 bags (2 adult and 1 kids movie passes); Honourable Mention - Ronin H. - 18 bags (1 adult and 1 kids movie pass and \$5 Harvey's gift card); Intermedicate (Grade 7 or 8) - Lainey D. - 13 bags (\$30 SportCheck gift cards). Thanks again, *Vicki Trowbridge & Parent Council*.

School Cash Online

Hot Lunch Days ...

Every Wednesday is **CHICKEN LUNCH DAY** provided by Domino's Pizza. The meal includes 3 – 4 pieces of their boneless chicken, 3 carrot sticks and 3 celery sticks as well as pizza sauce for dipping. Cost for each serving is \$ 3.00. Ordering is available only through School Cash On-line.

Every Thursday is **PIZZA DAYS**. Pizza is provided by Domino's Pizza. You may select Cheese or Pepperoni slices at a cost of \$ 1.50 per slice. Ordering for this item is available only through School Cash Online.

Milk Program....

We will begin delivery of Chocolate or White Milk on Monday, October 3. Ordering for the month of October has already been completed. Orders are only on School Cash On-line and paid for the whole month at once. Ordering for November will be available soon.

*** Deadline for ordering chicken, pizza or milk is usually the last Friday before the end of the month. Watch for email when orders start and for reminder email during last week of orders.

Field Trips...

Any Field Trip that is not free to the students will be posted on School Cash Online. We encourage all parents/guardians to pay their student's trip on-line. Permission slips will still need to be returned to their teacher.

Healthy Snack Program....

The Healthy Snack Program started the first week of October. The snack is delivered to students on Tuesdays and Thursdays mornings. In order to assist with the cost of the program, a voluntary donation item has been added to School Cash Online. Consider a monthly family donation.

*** If you have any issues with School Cash Online, please call Mrs. Arnold, our secretary.

<u>Just a reminder that Lynndale Heights is a Nut-Aware school. Please refrain from sending nuts or nut products to school.</u>

Peanut-Free "Peanut Butter"

There's a peanut-free soy nut butter product on the market that says it's a peanut butter substitute and safe for schools. Grand Erie District School Board requests that parents and staff **refrain** from bringing this product into our peanut-free schools.

If it's peanut-free, then what's the big deal? This product looks, smells, and tastes like peanut butter. The concern is that some children might mistakenly think it is okay to bring peanut butter sandwiches in their lunches when they see their classmates eating the soy product. We simply cannot run the risk of any student or staff member being exposed to peanuts, as this may cause an allergic reaction. The safety and health of our students and staff must come first.

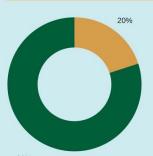
For more information on the Board's Anaphylaxis (allergic reactions) Procedure SO115, please visit www.granderie.ca. Thank you for your cooperation.

Children's Vision

Did you know?

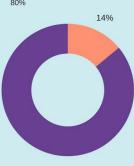


Vision screening and sight test programs are not the same as comprehensive eye exams



80%

of learning is visual



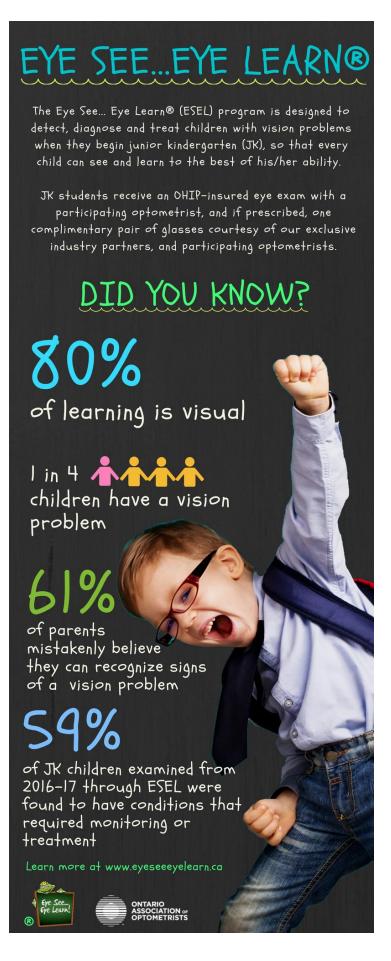
86%

14%

of children under the age of 6 have an eye exam before starting school

OHIP covers eye exams until a child is 20 years old







Math Moments

Elementary Program

The Role of Parents/Guardians in Supporting Math Learning

Children do better at school when their parents are involved. Your child's teacher will do his/her best to keep you well informed throughout the school year, and will always be glad to hear from you. Ask your child's teacher about your child's strengths, areas in which to improve, and how you can best offer support at home.



Myths and Facts:

Myth: The math my child is learning in school is "new."

Facts:

Your child is learning the same math facts and formulas you did—such as $2 \times 2 = 4$, and the circumference of a circle is $2\pi r$. But the way math is taught has evolved in recent decades.

Today's math learning emphasizes the development of understanding of concepts and skills, so that your child is able to apply these confidently in new situations. It also focuses on developing critical thinking, problem solving, and communication skills.

Your child is learning some topics and skills that you may not have learned in elementary school. These include data management and probability, and how to use calculators and computers to help model and solve math problems.

What your child is learning in math class, and how your child is learning, are equipping your child for success in today's knowledge-based economy and our global world.

Myth: Now that we have calculators, students don't need to know how to add, subtract, multiply, and divide, nor do they need to memorize the "math facts" (such as $7 \times 6 = 42$).

Fact: Knowing how to add, subtract, multiply, and divide are essential math skills and a major emphasis in the Ontario math curriculum. Automatic recall of math facts is needed in higher-level math. Games where children need to keep track of a score or that require automatic recall of math facts are a fun way to practise. Look for opportunities where your child can develop fluency. It takes time. This is a key area where you can help your child at home, by encouraging lots of practise in a variety of ways.

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November 2017 at Lynndale Heights

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
			1 – DAY 4	2 – DAY 5	3- DAY 1	4
			Chicken lunch.	Pizza.		
5	6 – DAY 2	7 – DAY 3	8 – DAY 4 Chicken lunch.	9 – DAY 5 Pizza.	10 - DAY 1 Remembrance Day assembly at 12 noon, gym	11
12	13 – DAY 2 Pick up "Fresh From Farm" 12 noon – 4 pm	14 – DAY 3	15 - DAY 4 Chicken lunch.	16 - DAY 5 Pizza. Parent-Teacher interviews 3:30 - 8:00 pm	17 PA DAY Parent-Teacher interviews 8:30 am – 12	18 → (no school for students)
Poinsettia fundraiser ends.	20 – DAY 1	21 – DAY 2	22 - DAY 3 Chicken lunch.	23 – DAY 4 Pizza. Parent Council mtg 7:00 pm.	24 – DAY 5 Poinsettia pick up (8:00 am to 4:00 pm).	25
26	27 – DAY	28 – DAY 2	29 – DAY 3	30 – DAY 4		
			Chicken lunch.	Pizza.		
					In case of school closure, due to inclement weather, etc., we are in Zone 1.	

Notes

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