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Chalk – It Up – Mental Health
Day – Monday, May 7, 2018
Education Week Open House –
Wednesday, May 9, 2018
Gr.7 Immunization – May 14th
Track and Field – Gr. 4 – 8 –
Tuesday, May 15, 2018
Junior Kindergarten Open
House – Wednesday, May 16,
2018 – 4:00 – 5:00 PM
EQAO – Grades 3 & 6 - May 23
– June 1, 2018

May News

Education Week takes place throughout Grand Erie from May 7th to May 11th 2018. Our Open House is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2018 from 4:30 – 6:00 PM. Classrooms will have a variety of student work and projects on the Education Week theme of "Wellness: Mind, Body and Spirit." Please join us for a FUN evening!

EQAO... Grade 3 and 6 students will be participating in provincial assessments from May 23rd to May 30th. Students will be writing assessments over 6 consecutive days. One block of time has been assigned for each grade, each day, to complete a section of the tests. Please avoid student absences/lates and appointments during these dates and times.

School Cash Online: We increased enrollment in the Cash Online payment system from 21% last school year to 94% of our families accessing the program this school year. Thank you to our parents and guardians for working in partnership with the school to adapt to the Cash Online system. Almost all class trips, fundraising, and purchases including hot lunches and pizza days are now accessible via the Cash Online system. If you have any questions, or experience any difficulties with the system, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs. Dalby at the school office. She is an excellent resource, and will help you if you are having difficulty. Next school year we are looking at 100% adoption of the Cash Online system for all money coming into the school.

SAVE THE DATE:

Fun Fair – June 13th, 2018 – 5:00 – 7:00 PM

JOIN US

EDUCATION WEEK OPEN HOUSE: Wednesday, May 09, 2018 - 4:30 - 6:00 PM

Reminders and Information...

A Note from the Public Health Nurse at Your School...

Protect Your Brain! Wear a Helmet!

Bicycle riding season is just around the corner! Remember to keep yourself and your children safe on every ride by wearing a bicycle helmet that fits properly and by following the rules of the road.

Here are some helpful tips:

- Before buying a helmet for yourself or your child, make sure it meets the correct safety standards and has a safety sticker from one of the following organizations: CPSC, Snell or ASTM
- Make sure that the helmet fits properly!
 Visit Parachute Canada,
 parachutecanada.org/resources, for
 instructions on properly fitting a helmet
- Helmets should be replaced every five years
- If the helmet has been in a crash or is cracked or damaged in any way, it should be replaced immediately
- Remember different activities may need different helmets. If you are unsure whether or not the helmet is safe for the activity, check with the company that made the helmet!

You are your child's best role model. Role model safe behaviours by wearing a properly fitted helmet yourself. You only have one brain. Protect it by wearing a helmet!

For more information about bicycle helmets, safety tips and answers to frequently asked questions, visit Parachute Canada at www.parachutecanada.org

Message from the Principal

School Organization and Classes for 2018 - 2019:

Starting this month, the process for organizing students into classes will begin for the next academic year. As always, when considering student placements, factors such as academic strengths and needs, learning styles, gender balance, instructional groupings, and student learning profiles are considered in decision-making. Teachers and Administration will collaborate and spend many hours determining these placements. Our focus is to create balanced classes that allow "Success for Every Student!"

Within our school organization we may have a number of combined/split grade classes. Please know that all students are considered for these classes at any time in their school career. Due to enrollment, vacancies, transfers and other factors, class organization and teaching staff can change right up to the first day of school in September, and even as late as the end of September. For these reasons, teacher's assignments and student class placements will not be provided on the June report card, nor shared until school starts in September. Please be aware that requests for specific teachers will not be considered in our decision-making.

We thank you for your patience and understanding as we work through the organization process. We also thank you for trusting us to make professional judgements based in the best interests of all students.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Marry

"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better."

Maya Angelou

