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Cam MacDonald

### Vice-Principal

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### BELL TIMES

Supervision on School Yard  
begins at 8:25 a.m.

Learning Block 1 - 8:45 a.m. –  
10:45 a.m.

Nutrition Break - 10:45 a.m. –  
11:25 a.m.

Learning Block 2 - 11:25 a.m.  
– 1:05 p.m.

Nutrition Break - 1:05 p.m. –  
1:45 p.m.

Learning Block 3 - 1:45 p.m. –  
3:05 p.m.

## Message from the Principal

Can you believe we're 80% through the school year?

April was exciting for sports with students participating in Badminton. All teams represented our school very well. They showed outstanding sportsmanship, teamwork, and effort. Most important, they had fun in the process! We are very proud of all of them for their performance and accomplishment. Thank you to Mr. Fowler, Mr. Janushewski, and Mrs. Harrington for coaching. Well-done Coyotes!

On April 15<sup>th</sup>, students, supported by Mrs. Lapage, Mrs. Bage, Mrs. Lougheed, and a group of parent volunteers, organized, and led the school in a day of engaging activities to celebrate Eid al-Fitr which marked the end of the month of Ramadan. I was so happy to see everyone in the school take part in the experience and learn more about this important time of year in our community.

I would like to take the opportunity to say thank you as we say goodbye to two members of the Cobblestone team. Mrs. Lougheed has been indispensable as she stepped in to cover Ms. DeGraaf's absence since mid-February. Mrs. Lougheed's expertise as an experienced principal (and my boss when I was a grade 8 teacher!) was very much appreciated. There is also bittersweet news to share about our office team. Mrs. Rylance will be moving on to continue her career in Grand Erie, taking on a 12-month role at Grand Erie Learning Alternatives (GELA) supporting older students and adult learners. We wish her all the best and thank her for her several years as an integral member of the Cobblestone staff.

The remainder of the school year is becoming chalk-full of both extra- and co-curricular opportunities for students. We are thrilled that many field trips are being planned and we are extremely thankful to the staff for the incredible amount of extra time they put into organizing these opportunities for students!

Until June,

Cam MacDonald

## School Council

Hello From Cobblestone School Council!

The council met on April 4th and have set a date for our Fun Fair! Mark your calendars for June 13th and stay tuned for more details in the coming month.

Did you know that Cobblestone has a great fundraising partnership with both Produce Express and Mabel's Labels?

When confirming your purchase, you can simply enter the codes or even just search for the school and voila, %5 of your orders total is gifted back to Cobblestone! It's that easy!

Produce Express Code: COBBLESTONE1123

Mabel's Labels: simply search for the school when choosing payment method.

Snackbox was delighted to receive two out of three new blenders on our Wishlist from the Brant Food for Thought Program. These are utilized for our monthly smoothie day. By far one of the most popular snack days of each month.

Until now, volunteers have been bringing in their own blenders for the last two years, and the wear and tear was adding up. We are so grateful for these blenders from BFFTP and have already put them to great use last Wednesday. Stay tuned for a small fundraiser to purchase our much needed third blender.

As always, we would love to hear from you if you would like to get involved with School Council or volunteer with Snackbox.

Also, a reminder, if you are not already, you can join the Parents of Cobblestone Elementary, Facebook page and keep up to date within our school community.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/zDuvtFHxmAgimxFA?mibextid=A7sQZp>

## Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart

Cobblestone is pleased to be holding our Heart and Stroke Foundation Jump Rope for Heart and Hoops for Heart events again during Education Week.:

- Wednesday, May 8 - Jump Rope for Heart (for ALL FDK students) during gym class.
- Thursday, May 9 - Jump Rope for Heart for Primary classes (for ALL Grades 1-4 students) during gym class.
- Friday, May 10 - Hoops for Heart (Grades 5 – 8) will be during the last block for only those JR/INT students who have registered online. Hoops for Heart will be a 3-on-3 tournament format.

All money raised will support the Heart and Stroke Foundation in their mission to promote children's health and fund vital heart and stroke research. There are no collection envelopes this year.

Hoops for Heart PARTICIPANTS (GRADE 5-8) MUST BE REGISTERED BY MAY 7 ONLINE BY A PARENT IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE ON THE EVENT DAY. Thank you for helping to make this a great event and for supporting vital heart disease and stroke research!

To raise money or to register, go to <https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/45899>

## Message from Transportation

Moving over the summer? Let transportation know so that your new address is ready to receive services for September! If you are moving over the summer, please let transportation know what your new address is so that they can plan services for you for the new school year. Transportation staff are working over the summer months and are happy to process any changes at that time. The form is available at:

[https://transinfobhn.ca/Workflow/Forms/CA\\_ON\\_STSBHN/TransportationRequest.aspx?FormVersionId=5fe370df-de79-4771-bcb0-9bb7e60b9bc4](https://transinfobhn.ca/Workflow/Forms/CA_ON_STSBHN/TransportationRequest.aspx?FormVersionId=5fe370df-de79-4771-bcb0-9bb7e60b9bc4)

Looking to accessing transportation details for September? Access to the transportation portal, available at: <https://transinfobhn.ca/Login>, will be opened to the public on August 14th, 2024. If services on the portal are not accurate or if you have questions, please contact transportation directly to discuss. Transportation can be reached by emailing [transportation@stsbhn.ca](mailto:transportation@stsbhn.ca) or by calling 519-751-7532. Updates received and processed before August 28th at noon will be in effect for the first day of school.

Don't forget to check out the Chipmunk app this school year. The app is free and allows families to track the path of their bus and to be given notification when the bus is getting close to your assigned bus stop. More information on the app is available by visiting: <https://stsbhn.ca/faqs>

Cobblestone's Family Engagement Committee would like to invite you to...



The Amazing Race: Cobblestone Edition is a family-friendly engagement evening designed to build community, deepen understanding around math thinking tasks across all divisions, provide space to support the Scholastic Book Fair, and travel the world in one night.

Families will be provided with a **passport** upon entry and will collect stamps in each classroom country. Completed passports will be entered into a GRAND PRIZE (sponsored by Cobblestone's School Council) featuring local businesses and providing family fun!



We're looking forward to welcoming Cobblestone Families to the school on Thursday, May 9th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm. The Scholastic Book Fair will be open and accepts cash or card. The Amazing Race evening is free for Families to enjoy. Thank you to the staff for their involvement, the CSC for their support, and the Coyote Crew for their leadership!



## Inspiring Your Child to Love and Learn Math

You can do informal math together!

During rainy days, family evenings, and vacation time, find opportunities to play math games and engage in informal math together. When you choose a game that is mathematical in nature, you show your child that math can be fun:

### Toys

Toy stores have lots of choices such as Tangrams, Blockus, Equate, Mathopoly, Dino Math Tracks, Mancala, Dominoes, and Connect Four.

### Television

Watch educational television programs, such as The Prime Radicals on TVOntario or Cyperchase on PBS. These programs also have a complementary websites with many activities to do together, including game apps, math crafts, and songs.

### Puzzles

Complete Sudoku puzzles together. You can use pictorial puzzles for young children and then graduate slowly to larger number grids with older children.

### Talk Math

Talk out loud about your problem solving strategies.

learning more enjoyable! Select high quality online games, such as Mathfrog, Calculation Nation, or the NCTM Illuminations Games, to provided your children with opportunities to practice and extend what they learn in math class.

## Upcoming Dates:

May 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> – Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart  
May 9<sup>th</sup> – Cobblestone Amazing Race-Family Math Event  
May 9<sup>th</sup> – Book Fair Night  
May 14<sup>th</sup> – Track and Field @ PDHS (gr4-8)  
May 15<sup>th</sup> – Track and Field Rain Date  
May 20<sup>th</sup> – Victoria Day Holiday (no school)  
May 21<sup>st</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> – Gr 3 EQAO  
May 24<sup>th</sup> – Gr 7 & 8 Immunizations  
May 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> – Gr7&8 Camp ki-wa-y Trip  
May 27<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> – Gr 6 EQAO  
May 30<sup>th</sup> – Welcome to Kindergarten Event  
June 3<sup>rd</sup> – PA Day (no school for students)

## Parent/Caregiver/ Community Member Concern Chart



### We're Here to Help

Find out who to contact at Grand Erie using this helpful resource.



### Your Trustee can guide you through this process.

Find your Superintendent and Trustee Representative at [granderie.ca/board/about/trustees](http://granderie.ca/board/about/trustees)

## Eclipse Glasses

Thank you, Cobblestone Coyotes!!! We collected about 150 pairs of solar eclipse glasses to send to other countries that will be viewing the eclipse in October! Huge thanks to members of the leadership team who collected the glasses from classes. Also, a big thank you to students in Mrs. Wright's class who packaged the glasses in groups of 5 to make it easier to mail. Coyotes, you helped others and our environment! Great job!

