



Edna Staebler Public School

Storm Watch

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*From the
Administrators' desks...*



Welcome Back!

Welcome to new kindergarten families and families that have moved into our area. We now have over 840 students!

A huge thanks goes out to the Edna Staebler staff for their work over the summer, as they have prepared for our students. Teachers have enjoyed a rest and have been busy taking courses and preparing their classrooms and programs. Our amazing custodians Mr. Umbach and Ms. Lee have worked hard to make sure the school sparkles. Our Office Staff, Miss Sinden, Mrs. Crerar and Mrs. Meyer have been busy all week welcoming families to Edna Staebler and getting ready for the start of school.

We all come to school with different backgrounds and experiences and it is exciting to be part of weaving together the story of our community using these different threads. If we can ever help you to solve a challenge or provide a listening ear, please don't hesitate to give us a call.

Jeff Parliament
Principal

Jan Hansen
Vice-Principal

Dates to Remember

Barbecue pre-ordering deadline

- Friday Sept. 6

Grade 7 camp

- Mon. Sept. 9 to Thurs. Sept. 12

Meet the teacher barbecue

- Thurs. Sept. 12, 5:30 -7:00pm

September forms due

- **Monday Sept. 16**

Photo Day

- for all but blue kindergartens
- Monday Sept. 16

Photo Day

- for blue kindergartens
- Tuesday Sept. 17

School Council

- Tuesday Sept. 17, 6:30-8:30pm

Spirit wear forms due

- Wednesday Sept. 25

Crazy Hair Day

- Friday Sept. 27

Terry Fox Run

- Friday Sept. 27

Electronic Newsletters

We will continue posting our newsletter on our web site (<http://est.wrdsb.ca>). A note will go home in your child's planner when a newsletter is posted. If you prefer to receive a hard copy, please tear off this form and send it in to your teacher.

Please send home a paper copy of the school newsletters with my child.

Student's Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

Indoor Shoes

It is important that students have a pair of indoor shoes that they can leave at school — so that we can keep the classrooms clean. Many thanks on behalf of all of the teachers and our wonderful custodial staff.



Planners

As in previous years, grade 1 to 8 students will require a planner. These are an excellent tool for students to track assignments. Students are asked to bring the planner home each night and to school each day. A school planner is available for \$8.00, or you may choose to provide your own.

No Peanuts or Nut Products Please

Please be aware that several of our students have life-threatening allergies. This is a medical condition that causes a severe reaction and can result in death within minutes. The most common allergens are peanuts and nuts. Please send foods to school that are free from peanut or nut products.

If your child has a severe allergy or medical condition, please let us know.

Safe School Arrival

Please call our Attendance Line number at (519) 570-4359 ext. 3161 when your child is absent. This number is accessible all the time. When you contact us to say that your child will not be at school, it helps us more quickly identify children who are not at school when their parents think that they are.



School Council

The first meeting of our School Council will be on Tuesday September 17 at 6:30 pm in the library. A school council gives advice and ideas on school operations. At our first meeting we will vote for our

executive for the year. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Please join us! It's a great way to meet neighbours and learn about your school.

June Freezie Fund Raiser

Several of our students organized a fund raiser for Canadian Relief for Syria in June. By selling freezies, they raised \$548.85 to help people living through this conflict.

MediAlert's No Child Without Program

The No Child Without program offers a free MediAlert membership to students who attend our school and are from age 4 to 13. If your child has a medical condition, allergy or is required to take medication regularly, then you should consider joining. MediAlert is your child's voice in an emergency,



MediAlert membership

- Gives emergency first responders access to your child's medical information on their MediAlert bracelet or necklet
- Enables first responders to quickly obtain up to date medical information through the 24 Hour Emergency Hotline.
- Communicates with the emergency contact upon activation of the Hotline
- Allows free updates of the child's medical record as needed

MediAlert identification can alert school staff, friends, coaches and others about your child's medical condition.

More information is in a brochure in the office, or go to www.nochildwithout.ca. To register your child you will need a No Child Without brochure from the office.

Traffic Safety At Edna Staebler Public School

We Are A Growing School!

We need to find ways of getting in and out that are safe and workable for you, your children and our staff.

How Can You Help?

Can your child(ren) walk or bicycle to school? Human power is environmentally friendly, healthy, and helps children become independent and responsible. Morning and after school traffic also affects the air quality for the students.

Is there a friend or neighbour whose child could be a walking "buddy"? Are you able to accompany your child and perhaps their friends or classmates and show them the safest route?

To Park Legally

Use the kiss and drop zones in front or at the side of the school (please pull up as far as possible to allow others behind you to also drop off or pick up). Please do so quickly out of respect for other families doing the same thing. Please note that you cannot leave your vehicle in front of the school; if you do, you risk the City giving you a ticket.

If you wish to leave your vehicle, we recommend parking on one of the side streets. Please note the posted signs regarding parking legality around the school. There are several "no parking" and some "no stopping" zones.

Once the school day is underway, you are welcome to use the parking lot.

Adult Crossing Guard at Erbsville Road

For those students who have to cross over Erbsville Road (which is a very busy road), please note there will be an adult crossing guard on duty before school (7:50 – 8:20 a.m.) and after school (2:40 to 3:10 p.m.) to assist students in crossing safely. He will be located at the intersection of Erbsville Road and Chablis Drive. Please be sure to be respectful of the adult crossing guard and to use him; we do not want to see anyone get injured because they decided to cross Erbsville Road



somewhere else.

Supervision on the Playground

Teachers begin supervising the school yard at 8:05 in the morning. For the safety of our students, please ensure that they do not arrive at school prior to this time.

The School Parking Lot

There is absolutely no parking for parents in the parking lot immediately before and after school (we don't have a large enough parking lot for this, and, it becomes a huge safety issue for students if they are crossing the parking lot as vehicles are moving in it).

Parents picking up or dropping off at the child care are encouraged to use their parking lot.



At all times please respect the Crossing Guards – their job is to assist the safe crossing of children who do walk to school.

Please return your forms to the office by Monday September 16.

Edna Staebler Staff 2013-2014

Principal Jeff Parliament
Vice Principal Jan Hansen
Office Staff Nancy Sinden
Jo-Ann Crerar
Wendy Meyer

JK/SK

Earl Gunn room 5
Krista Bergsma room 6
Christie Gifford room 7
Nancy Boettger room 8
Jenny Soehner room 13

Grade 1

Elisa Nelson pm (FI) room 18
Paula Capa am (FI) room 14
Melissa Halvorsen (FI) room 10
Alma Kentel (FI) room 12
Barb Oswald room 15
Brandy Cornish/Megan Firth room 17

Grade 1/2

Gwyn Ramezan room 9

Grade 2

Tara Puskas (FI) room 35
Julie MacDonald room 33
Elisa Nelson am (FI) room 18
Crystal Woodworth (FI) room 14

Grade 2/3

Karen Chappell room 32

Grade 3

Katie Procnier room 29
Karen Stirling room 30
Becky Schnurr (FI) room 36

Grade 3/4

Kathy Chalmers (FI) room 34

Grade 4

Alison Bullock (FI) cottage 4
Craig Haller room 25
Kristan Arthur room 27
Erika Romanowski cottage 5

Grade 4/5

Annie Bishop Payne cottage 3

Grade 5

Emilie Pickell (FI) room 38
Peter Quinney cottage 7
Josh Maier cottage 6

Grade 6

Ed Griffith cottage 2
Jane Lidbetter cottage 1

Grade 7/8

Jody Soehner room 22
Sheila Smith-Jones room 23
John Schoenherr room 24
Brandon Farr room 28

Core French

Grades 1-2 Crystal Woodworth
Grades 2-5 Marie Loan
Grades 5-8 Lisa Collee

Music

Summer Carter room 20

Media Literacy and Guidance

Rebecca Fleisig

Phys. Ed. and Science

Jason Prekup

Music and kindergarten

Mary Elen Skelly

Special Education

Susan Black
Sandy McIvor
McKenzie Werger
Rob Burt, EA Kristyn Clairmont, EA
Derek Hergott, EA Katharine Heubner, EA
Rhonda Smith, EA

Developmentally Challenged Class

Helene Luft
Margaret Landsborough, EA
Allison Hynd, EA

Child and Youth Worker (CYW)

Asifa Rahim

English Language Learners

Helga Zielke

Library Clerks

Rosemary Krimmer
Jenny Hurlburt (Thursdays)

Kindergarten Lunchroom Supervisors

Bonnie Gingerich Ping Huang
Zohra Kokab

Custodians

Dale Umbach, David Placido, Lynda Lee,
Angela Duenas