

October 2016

Georgian Bay Community School

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Principal's Message: It is hard to believe that we are into our second month of classes here at GBCS. We are pleased with the transition and are amazed at how well the students' have adjusted to their new learning environment. We a larger than anticipated enrolment, we are pleased to announce that we have additional staffing and most classes are no longer split grades. We would like to welcome Scott Sheppard who has come to teach Grade 5. Welcome aboard Scott!

Volunteers are very much welcome and appreciated here at GBCS. The Municipality of Meaford will be offering free training to anyone who would be willing to assist with road safety both before and after school, but also during nutrition breaks.

Drop Off/ Pick Up

Are you driving your student? All students that are driven or walking to school should make their way to the playground right away. They should keep their backpacks with them. A good spot would be to put it along the fence line close to the exit of the field for easy retrieval when the morning bell rings. We ask that parents do not enter the school with their student in the morning. It is important that we foster independence and responsibility and we need to teach and model that for students. There are no adults on supervision duty in the school before 8:55am, except for students who are bused. These students will enter the school, drop their bag at their locker and continue outside to the playground. We appreciate all of your help in establishing these routines.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 5

Community Council Mtg @ 6:30

October 10

Thanksgiving Day



October 14

Picture Day

October 28

PD Day



SAFE ARRIVAL CALL

519-538-1680 Ext.100

NO NUTS AND NUT PRODUCTS OR EGGS AT GBCS

We have several students at GBCS who have serious, even life threatening allergies to nut, nut products and eggs. For this reason we do not allow any products containing nuts or egg products. Please ensure that you read all food labels carefully and do not send products that contain nuts or eggs to school.

School Hours

Yard Supervision begins- 8:35

Instructional Day begins-8:55

Nutrition Break 11:05-11:45

Nutrition Break 1:05- 1"45

Forms!!!

Our students participate in a variety of field trips, sports events and activities throughout the school year. Parents and guardians should note that when parent consent is required for student participation in an activity, the only form of consent we can accept is written consent (parent/guardian signature on school consent form). We cannot accept verbal consent.



Our QSP fundraiser has officially kicked off!! A QSP information package will be sent home with your child(ren) this week. Inside the package you will find all the information you'll need to place your orders. Qsp.ca has been updated to make your purchases fast and easy.

Not only does this campaign help raise much needed funds but it also promotes literacy. What a great message to all our families.

Get your orders in by October 21st!!!

Thank you for your support!

Break out the hair gel! School picture days are scheduled for October 14, 2016!!!



PIZZA/MILK and SPECIAL FOOD DAYS!

Daily milk and weekly Wednesday pizza sales will begin September 12th. Milk (chocolate & white) can be purchased daily for \$.75. Milk will be delivered to students' classrooms at 1st nutrition break. Pizza can be ordered each Wednesday morning for \$1.50 a slice, exact change is appreciated. More information will follow via your child's homeroom teacher.

School Community Council

First meeting will be October 5th at 6:30 in the staff room.

Don't Forget to Register for School Cash Online

This service offers parents the convenience of paying online for school activities. You can register for your online payment account at <https://bwdsb.schoolcashionline.com>