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December 2014

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Administrator Notes

<u>Holidays</u>

Our winter holiday is here already, with many in our community celebrating with a Festival of Lights. Diwali, Hanukkah, Christmas and Kwanzaa are all celebrations held around this time. To all of you from all of us here at Charlton, have a safe and happy holiday, and a wonderful time with family and friends. We have much to be thankful for.



Parking Lot

Our most important priority at Charlton is to ensure the safety of our students. To this end, we have been working hard to make traffic patterns predictable for students in our parking lot. We want all vehicles moving in the same direction in a single line. This will help prevent accidents. It may mean that from 8.30-8.35 am cars may have to wait a few minutes to unload students, but we do this for student safety. If you find the wait too long, you should know that at 8.20 am, there are VERY few cars arrivingcome see us early!

Parent Talk: What is Mindset?

http://mindsetonline.com/whatisit/about/

Every so often a truly ground-breaking idea comes along. This is one. Mindset explains:

- Why brains and talent don't bring success
- How they can stand in the way of it
- Why praising brains and talent doesn't foster self-esteem and accomplishment, but jeopardizes them
- How teaching a simple idea about the brain raises grades and productivity

What all great CEOs, parents, teachers, athletes know: Mindset is a simple idea discovered by world-renowned Stanford University psychologist Carol Dweck in decades of research on achievement and success—a simple idea that makes all the difference.

In a fixed mindset, people believe their basic qualities, like their intelligence or talent, are simply fixed traits. They spend their time documenting their intelligence or talent instead of developing them. They also believe that talent alone creates success—without effort. They're wrong. In a growth mindset, people believe that their most basic abilities can be

In a growth mindset, people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work—brains and talent are just the starting point. This view creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Virtually all great people have had these qualities.

Teaching a growth mindset creates motivation and productivity in the worlds of business, education, and sports. It enhances relationships.

Dates to Remember:

- December 19-Spirit Assembly
- December 22 to January 2-Winter Break
- January 16-P.A.
 Day
- January 22-Grad photos
- January 22-School Council meeting

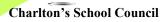
Principal: Ritch McNaughton

Office Assistant: Marg Speed Cheryl Ebidia (Wed, Thurs, Fri)

Superintendent: Clayton LaTouche

Trustee: Susan Geller

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Message From Trustee Susan Geller

Parent Volunteers Needed School Council is in need of some volunteers to help to make both our fundraising events and our community building events possible. If you are able to help in any way please email the school council at:

charlton.ps@sc.yrdsb.edu.on.ca with your contact information. We want to host our first 'Movie Night' in mid-January!

"Many hands make light work".



Cyberbullying Awareness

As we near the end of 2014, I hope everyone has had a great school year so far.

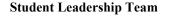
Thanks to everyone who, as part of our school team, helped out in any manner, and found opportunities to get involved with the life of the school.

Thanks to your support and the hard work and commitment of our staff, students, families and community partners, we continue to move forward in achieving what is best for the students.

Please make sure you do not forget those who may not have family and friends to enjoy the holidays with. So, spread the holiday cheer.

Best wishes to everyone for a safe and happy holiday season and a wonderful start to the new year.

DO NOT ASSUME A DRIVER CAN SEE YOU WHEN WALKING



Our dynamic Student Leadership Team has begun offering activities for our students. An 'Art Club' is starting this week with students from Kdg. to Gr. 6 participating. In January, our students are going to be 'busting some myths' around mental health issues, and giving fellow students the real facts. We look forward to what their creative minds will bring to Charlton in 2015!



Cyberbullying is the use of electronic devices and or the internet to threaten, embarrass, socially exclude and harass. Cyberbullying can occur through various forms of social media, including: texting, email, chats, websites, instant messaging, cell phones and through pictures/video clips. Cyberbullying is often aggressive behaviour that can be intentional or unintentional, direct or indirect. It may include: mocking, insults, threats, racist, homophobic comments, gossiping, spreading of rumours, excluding, humiliating and shunning. How to tell if your child is being cyberbullied?

Computer avoidance

Computer obsession

Change in behaviour at home

Change in behaviour at school/school avoidance

Kids will either want to be on the computer to see if anything else is being written for others to see or not want to be on the computer at all

May experience nightmares

source: YRP.ca

If you'd like to learn more, watch our <u>Change The Culture of Cyberbullying</u> video on the Board's YouTube channel, <u>https://www.youtube.com/YRDSBMedia</u>. Join us in saying **#yeswewill** change the culture of cyberbullying through your favourite social media tools.

As a reminder, you can also report instances of bullying using our <u>Report it!</u> tool available on our website.