



JUNE 2014

# Herbert H. Carnegie Public School

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As we look back together at the 2013-2014 school year, it is a time to celebrate and highlight some great events and achievements by our staff, students, and community. Some highlights include: the musical Mamma Mia, School wide Olympics celebration, Welcome to Kindergarten, Eco-club, Sports teams, Student Leadership Team, Games Club, International Club, Math Night, and all the hard work of our staff, students, parents and community members every day! Without the collective energy of everyone involved at Herbert H. Carnegie Public School, we could not do it without you! If you are leaving us or are moving, we wish you all the best.

We celebrated our outstanding grade 8's at Graduation on June 23rd. CONGRATULATIONS to our Grade Eight graduates! We would like to thank the Grade Eight graduating class for all of their work and leadership throughout their time here at Herbert H. Carnegie. We wish them all the best in their future endeavours! We know they will make us proud!

Our gratitude goes to our caring and capable school office team: our Elementary Office Administrative Assistant, Ms. Antinucci, our Office Administrative Assistants Mrs. Muffitt and Ms Kimel and our caretakers Mr. Alati, Mr. Myers, Mr. Romanelli and Mr. Searle who do so much to create a safe and happy environment in which to work and to learn. We would also like to thank the school assistant team who come every lunch hour to supervise our students. You are all such valued individuals.

There will be some staff changes come September. We welcome the return of Mrs. Comparelli and Mrs. Stein. We bid farewell and thank Ms. Jagielnik Mrs. Purto, Mrs. Rorke, Ms. Song, and Ms. Teja as they continue their careers at other York Region schools. We would also like to thank Ms McInnis who in her role as Vice Principal supported many families and students and provided leadership for our staff.

The fine work in Literacy, Numeracy and Character Education as well as all the extras that the staff provide is possible because of the talented teachers and staff at our school who care deeply about their students. Thank you.

Thank you to our School Council for their ongoing support and hard work to provide your children with many different opportunities that range from hot lunches to movie nights: specifically Mrs. Kalmin and Mrs. Pajpani, the School Council Chairs and Mrs. Dhamija as the Treasurer and Mrs. Bhoi as Secretary.

Best wishes for a safe and relaxing summer from the school staff. It has been our privilege to be part of such a great school and we thank you for all your support and for sending us your wonderful children.

Mrs. S. MacRae  
Principal

Ms. P. McInnis  
Vice Principal

**See You Tuesday, September 2nd, 2014!**

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE:**



## Herbert H. Carnegie September Information

### First Day Routine

- **8:00** Students assemble outside on the playground pavement, lined up by grade, signs posted. Teachers will meet students outside with class lists. Students will then line up with their teachers.
- **8:15**-Bell rings and students enter the building.
- Parents say good-bye outside!
- **9:55-10:15** Recess
- **11:55-12:55** - Lunch
- **12:55**- Afternoon Program begins
- **2:35**- Dismissal. Students must be picked up promptly!

### Start Dates

**All students in Grades SK—8 begin  
Tuesday, September 2, 2014**

**JK students will come for 100 minutes  
on Tuesday, September 3rd.  
All JK students will attend full time on  
Wednesday, September 4th.**

### Summer Office Schedule

**Our school office will open on  
Monday, August 25, 2014 at 7:30 a.m.**

### School Assistants

School assistants provide supervision inside while the students are eating their lunch in the classrooms, and outside on the playground while the children are at play. This is a paid position (\$11.97 per hour), requiring one hour of work per day. Requirements include a volunteer screening by the York Region Police and a statement of good health from your family doctor. If you are interested in this position, or know someone who would be interested, please contact the school office the last week of August.

## Construction Update

We are eagerly anticipating our Second Floor fill in which will give us 6 more classrooms. The Board and the contractors have indicated that they are hoping that the exterior work will be completed before school opening in September with the interior finish work being completed over the months of September, October and November. One of the day-care rooms will be converted into a Kindergarten room and this will happen during the summer. The construction will begin as soon as the students leave for the summer. As part of the building permit requirements we will be increasing the size of the parking lot. The staff has a very positive attitude going forward and understand that in the end we will have a school that can accommodate our growth. We will be supplying you with regular communications throughout construction. As many of you have lived through the construction of new homes you know we are hoping for good weather and minimal delays. Thank you for your continued support.

We continue to overflow to Silver Pines and now are on overflow for JK and SK students who registered after May 26th. This means any student who registers will be overflowed to Silver Pines. Fortunately we have been able to recall several students as students move out. It would be extremely helpful to the school and those families on the wait list if you would let us know if you are moving for the next school year.

Dear Parents/Guardians:

*Re: Class Placement for September 2014*

You will note that your child's placement has not been included on the report card.

The staff are working diligently to organize our classes to provide the best program for each child, and to comply with the maximum class size allowed.

While we understand that you may wish to know your child's class placement before the start of school, our enrolment may change significantly between now and the first day of school. Therefore, you will be informed of your child's class placement on their first day of attendance in September.

As part of our organization, we will have several straight grade classes and some combined grade classrooms. Combined classes group children from two consecutive grades, e.g., Grades 3 and 4 into one classroom. We do this for many reasons that include organizing classes to meet school needs and combining grades to balance class size. For more information about combined classrooms visit [www.edu.gov.on.ca](http://www.edu.gov.on.ca).

Please note that there may be changes prior to the end of September 2014 (class sizes will be reported to the Ministry of Education). We will keep you informed of any changes to your child's class placement should the need arise.

If you have any questions regarding the Primary Class Size Reduction strategy, please visit the Ministry of Education's website at: [www.edu.gov.on.ca](http://www.edu.gov.on.ca) and search for "Primary Class Size."

Sincerely,  
Mrs. S. MacRae  
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