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As we look back together at the 2016-2017 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 performances of the Carnegie Choir, the many voices of the Junior Choir, Beauty and the Beast, the Platinum award winning Intermediate and Senior Bands, the Barbeque and Fun Fair, Welcome to Kindergarten, Eco-Club (who achieved Platinum), Battle of the Books, Science Fair, History Fair, Math Olympics, Play Day, Jump Rope for Heart, Sports teams, Student Leadership Team, Ace Zone, Games Club, 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 have the amazing school that exists. We couldn't 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 27th. 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 Public School. 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. Ferruzzo and Ms. Kimel and our caretakers Mr. Alati, Mr. Guppy, Mr. Myers, Mr. Romanelli, and Mr. Searle, who do 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 in September 2017. We welcome the return of Mrs. D'Ambrosio, Ms. Robinson, and Ms. Sidana, Mrs. Jimenez and Mrs. Ritchie. We bid farewell and thank Mrs. Love, Miss Wahab, Mrs. Ashraf, Mrs. Tung, Miss Palmateer, Mrs. Brunswick, Miss Gunness, Mrs. Sawyer, Miss Lau, Miss Tran, Miss Pitt, Miss Salerno, Miss Gaspar, Mrs. Ferruzzo and Ms. Leone as they continue their careers at other York Region schools. We wish our Vice Principal, Mrs. Frank all the very best as she takes on the responsibilities of two schools, Forest Run and Vellore Woods and thank her for all the good care she has taken of our staff, students and parents. We thank you for all that you have done for the Carnegie community.

The fine work in Math, Modern Learning and Mental Health, 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. Their work in organizing the Barbeque and Fun Fair was outstanding and ensured a good time was had by all. In addition, we thank the School Council for the support they have given to our Grade Eight graduates, the Book Room, the music program, Athletics, Game and French Days, technology and many other ventures.

Best wishes to all 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. We look forward to celebrating the 10th Anniversary of Carnegie with everyone next year.

Mrs. S. MacRae
Principal

Mrs. J. Frank
Vice Principal

See You Tuesday, September 5th, 2017

Herbert H. Carnegie September Information

First Day Routine

- **8:00** - Students assemble outside on the playground pavement, lined up by grade, where signs are 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!

**All students in Grades SK–8 begin
Tuesday, September 5, 2017
JK students will come for 100 minutes on Tuesday,
September 5th.
All JK students will attend full time on
Wednesday, September 6th.**

Summer Office Schedule

Our school office will open on
Monday, August 28th, 2017 at 7:30 a.m.
The school office closes at 3:30 p.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 (\$12.14 per hour), requiring one hour of work per day. Requirements include a police vulnerable sector check 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.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS Before the last bell rings, the parents of the school council would like to thank you for your continued support in our fundraising initiatives and participation this year. Along side the staff, the school council helped support school spirit and community social events, such as: Pumpkin decorating contest, Yoga & Family Reading Night, Bingo Night, Cookies & Popcorn Sales, and our annual Fun Fair bash. We also contributed to healthy living and wellness which includes our hot lunch programs, healthy snack stations, and bringing you a night with Jennifer Kolari - a parenting with brains workshop!

Your fundraising dollars helped purchase and subsidize: Technology for the school (iPads, note books & listening stations), musical instruments, books for the library book room and classrooms, Scientists in the Classroom, Grade 8 Graduation and Class/Recess Resources (Boardgames, gross motor toys, outdoor recess equipment)...just to name a few. We would also like to acknowledge the following companies for providing a monetary donation, service or product at this year's fun fair: Walt Orthodontics - Scholar's Education - OMAC - MR. SUB - Rock This Way - Pedal Head - Young Rembrandt - Evolve - The Lunch Lady - Mad Science - Longo's - Astoria - Glama Gal - Top Notch Basketball Academy - Creative Club - Cantor & Bendavid Real Estate.

However, none of this is possible without our incredible school council team. Their dedication, commitment and willingness to roll up their sleeves is invaluable! Our 2016/2017 council members consist of: Ekta C., Nadia W., Bandana M., Lindsay W., Melanie P., Julia K., Julia S., Janet L., Tracey S., Dalete K., Belle Y., Anna G., Herman M., John T., Andrew Z., & our teacher representatives Mrs. D'Souza and Mrs. Suppa.

Once again, thank you Parents, Students, and Staff for helping to make a difference and making Carnegie Proud. Enjoy the summer, see you in September!
Catherine F. & Milli P.

Message from our Trustee– Linda Aversa

As we near the end of the school year, I want to thank you for all that you do to strengthen our schools and communities. This is a good time to celebrate your child's achievements over the past year. One of our goals in the [Trustees' Multi-Year Plan](#) is to "continuously increase student achievement and well-being through a culture and caring and learning." That includes a culture that emphasizes engagement and positive relationships among all the members of the school community – students, staff members, families and community members. You, as parents/guardians, are our most important partners when it comes to education. The support you have provided to your child throughout this past school year will help to strengthen our schools and make a difference to your child's learning. I encourage you to continue engaging your child in learning throughout the summer, and to help them to see the connections between what they are learning in school and the world around them. There are so many opportunities to do this over the summer, whether that's planning a budget with your child, enjoying the natural beauty in York Region, reading a book or visiting local sites. Whatever your plans are this summer, I wish you all a successful end to the school year, and a safe and enjoyable summer.

Re: Class Placement for September 2017

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

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.

Please note that there may be changes prior to the end of September 2017 (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.

Sincerely,

Mrs. S. MacRae
Principal

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