

Herbert H. Carnegie Public School

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As we look back together at the 2017-2018 school year and 10 years of Herbert H. Carnegie Public School, it is a time to celebrate and highlight some great events and achievements by our staff, students and community. In the ten years since the opening of the school we have grown from a school of 325 to 845 students and the staff and students have built a reputation of caring and academic, musical and athletic excellence! Some highlights include: the musical performances of the Carneglee Choir, the many voices of the Primary and Junior Choirs, Talent Show, Intermediate and Senior Bands, Yoga and Technology Night, the Barbeque and Fun Fair, Welcome to Kindergarten, Eco-Club (who achieved Platinum status again), Battle of the Books, Science Fair, History Fair, Play Day, Jump Rope for Heart, Sports Teams, Student Leadership Team, Ace Zone and Games Club. Thank you to our staff, students, parents and community members! The collective energy of everyone involved at Herbert H. Carnegie Public School has helped define us as a school and has led us to 10 years of excellence. It is with thanks to everyone in our community for supporting our students and staff. 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 26th. 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. Noori 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 2018. We welcome the return of Mrs. Elia. We bid farewell and thank Miss Lambropoulos, Miss Ricciardi, Mrs. Alizadeh, Miss Salerno, Miss Gaspar, Ms. Mukherjee and Mrs. Rudnicki as they continue their careers at other York Region schools. We thank you for all that you have done for the Carnegie community.

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 skating 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, French Days, Scientists in the Classroom, Arts Performances, 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 seeing you next year.

Mrs. S. MacRae Principal Mrs. S. Dunham Vice Principal

Herbert H. Carnegie September Information

First Day Routines

- 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 4, 2018
JK students will come for 100 minutes on Tuesday,
September 4th.
All JK students will attend full time on
Wednesday, September 5th.

Summer Office Schedule

Our school office will open on Monday, August 27th, 2018 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 (\$14.00 per hour), requiring one hour of work per day. Requirements include a police vulnerable sector check by the York Region Police. 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

As this school year comes to an end, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the students, parents, teachers & staff who supported our School Council initiatives & helped make this school year such a great success!

We started the school year off with 2 fundraisers - our Hot Lunch Programs and Fresh from the Farm vegetables & fruit fundraising. We then followed up with our annual Pumpkin decorating event (which amazes us each year), Family Yoga & Technology Night (the technology portion brought to us by Vaughan Public Library), Family Skate Night, Parent Speaker Night with Ann Douglas, and finally our annual BBQ & Fun Fair. What a year! We could not have run these events without the countless hours put in by our School Council & community volunteers!

As a result of your fundraising dollars, Herbert H. Carnegie subsidized Raz Kids reading tool (for K-2), purchased new iPads and Chrome Books, new school sport uniforms, new musical instruments including ukuleles, brought scientist in the classroom programs to grades 1-7, subsidized grade 8 graduation, purchased new books for the library and classrooms, and purchased outdoor equipment.

We would also like to recognize the generous donations and services from the following companies: Walt Orthodontics, Vaughan Orthodontics, Rock This Way, The Lunch Lady, OMAC, Sky Zone, Astoria, Mr. Sub, Art 1 Academy, Top Notch Basketball, Kumon and Scholars Education. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Finally, thank you to this year's council members for their continued commitment, leadership and 'behind the scenes' preparation and organization. This year's council members consisted of: Anna G., Bandana M., Belle Y., Crystal Mo., Dalete K., Ekta C., Herman M., Janet L., Jill T., Joanne G., John T., Julia K., Julia S., Kaleem U., Maria-Elena C., Melanie P., Nadia W., Rhonda B., Tracey S., Tracy Z.

We have already begun discussing plans & events for the 2018-2019 school year, and we look forward to seeing you all in September for another exciting year. New members are always welcomed!

Wishing you all a safe, relaxing and fantastic summer!

Catherine F. & Milli P.

Re: Class Placement for September 2018

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.

Please note that there may be changes prior to the end of September 2018 (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 Mrs. S. Dunham Vice-Principal

