

## KLEINBURG PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 2018-19 school year. We are looking forward to a great year. We hope that you and your children have had a wonderful and restful summer. We would also like to welcome to KPS our new students, new staff and say welcome back to our returning students, staff and parents/guardians and wish everyone a successful first term.

Our Kleinburg P.S. staff has worked hard to prepare for this school year. Our teachers have set up beautiful classrooms. Our caretaking staff has made sure that every inch of the building is clean and safe. Our office staff has worked long hours to ensure a smooth start of school. Hats off to everyone!

As a school community, we are committed to student achievement and well being through intentional and focused instruction for each student. We will work together to continue to build a safe, supportive and inclusive school climate. We know that when parents, teachers and students view one another as partners in education, a caring community is formed and student learning is supported.

As we start a new year, it will be the responsibility of all of us to contribute to the building of a positive, inclusive community. We will continue to teach students about good character as we continue to focus on monthly character traits. The character trait for September is **RESPECT**. Parents can help support our character focus by discussing ways students can be respectful both at home and at school. We will continue to work on minimizing our environmental footprint. We will be continuing our composting of food scraps through the green bin collection. We are also committed to litter-less lunches by packing snacks and lunches in reusable containers.

Please be advised that Soft Entry begins at 8:20 and that students are not to arrive before then as there is no supervision. We have also moved O'Canada to 8:35 in the morning and added a school wide in class focus/settling time after O'Canada to start the day.

As many of you may have experienced there is a great deal of road construction in the area and that we have a very busy parking lot and driveway during the arrival and dismissal times. We encourage those children who are eligible to ride the bus to please do so and those who are close, to walk to school as this will help alleviate some of the congestion. For those families choosing to use the parking lot for pickup and drop-off, please see the guidelines below! Ensuring our children are safe is a top priority.

Wishing you a very successful school year!

Sincerely,

Greg Morandi

Principal

Gayle Grossman-Bly

Vice Principal

## **KPS PARKING LOT**

We are asking all parents/ guardians to make every attempt to park close by and walk to school to pick up your child/children. We have many parents/guardians parked blocking the drive through lane. We respectfully ask that you **DO NOT BLOCK/PARK IN THE DRIVE THROUGH LANE.** If you need to park your car to enter the school or wait for your child/children please use any available spaces along the curb, any empty parking spaces or utilize curb parking along Islington Avenue in front of the school. If not available, we ask that you follow these guidelines:

- Park on the street or somewhere close and walk to our yard to meet your child/children at their respective door or designated spot (parking is now also available along Islington Avenue in front of the school)
- Continue moving through the drive through lane, not stopping and waiting and travel out of the parking lot and re enter when a spot becomes available.

Under no circumstances are drivers permitted to leave their vehicles if they are not parked along the curb. Drivers may park all along the perimeter of our parking lot taking careful note to not block the entrance or exit of the parking lot or permitted to stop their vehicle in the drive-through lane to let students exit the vehicle as this is extremely dangerous as drivers are not expecting students to run out from this lane.

Please share this information with any guardian, grandparent or relative that drops off/picks up at the school. We as a community need to help this situation. For student safety if the situation does not improve during the busy pick up time, we will be controlling all vehicle entry to the parking lot between 2:30 and 3:05 by closing the parking lot and not allowing any cars to enter/exit (if already parked). Please help us by following the drop off and pick up guidelines. Please also see the map on the proceeding page to help with any questions you may have or if needed contact the school.

