



Pleasantville Public School

Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I would like to congratulate our students and staff for such a great beginning to the school year. Classes are underway and students are hard at work. Over the past few weeks we have been monitoring our classes and our enrollment. All YRDSB schools have ensured that class sizes were in compliance with Ministry expectations. We have been fortunate to be able to reach compliance without a school wide reorganization.

Just a reminder that all school purchases such as Lunch Fundraisers, Agendas and School Trips are done online at School Cash Online. All items will have a time limit applied to them in order for us to obtain accurate numbers. Please remember that you must order in the specified amount of time. If you are experiencing difficulty with using School Cash Online please feel free to contact the main office and staff will support you through the process.

Please refer to the school calendar for the many activities happening in the month of October.

Yours in education,

Shari Elms, Principal

TECHNOLOGY @ PLEASANTVILLE

Our students are provided with many opportunities to use technology throughout their day. Individual teachers will determine whether students should bring devices from home (BYOD) for instructional use only. Students should not be using these devices at recess time, in the hallways or before and after school without the supervision and permission of staff members. If you need to get an urgent message to your child, please do not call or text their phones. **Contact the office and we will get the message to them**.



October 2017

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Important Dates:

Oct. 2 School Council Meeting 6:30 Oct. 9 Thanksgiving—No School Oct. 18 Picture Day Oct. 20 PA Day Wanted: A Lunch Assistant to supervise students over the lunch hour, 12:35 - 1:35, five days per week. This a paid position and a wonderful way to contribute and be involved in your child's school.

Please call the office if you are interested (905) 884-7431



From the Music Department

The Pleasantville Band is up and running! We had a great turn out at our first couple of rehearsals and are already preparing for our first performance at the Remembrance Day Assembly. The Band is available to students in Grades 6, 7 and 8 with rehearsals taking place during lunch recess on Wednesdays. We will take part in the Holiday and Spring Concert as well as performing at Music Alive. If your child is interested in joining the Band, please have them speak to Mrs. Mangat. Band is an excellent opportunity for students to strengthen their musical skills in a fun and supportive environment.

There will be a Choir running this year for students in Grades 1-5. We will rehearse every Tuesday at lunch recess in the Music room with possible extra rehearsals as needed closer to the performance date. The Choir will perform at a variety of assemblies and concerts during the school year. If your child is interested in joining, they should attend the first meeting on Tuesday, October, 3 where they will receive a note to go home with more information. If you have any questions, please contact either Mrs. Mangat or Ms. Trudelle.





Library/Learning Zone News

I am very excited to be back in the role of Teacher-Librarian after returning from my maternity leave. Here is some information about what is happening in the Pleasantville "Learning Zone".

The Learning Zone is up and running! Throughout the month of September, students in Grades 1-8 came to the Learning Zone for their annual orientation. Many students participated in an interactive game called "Kahoot", where students had the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge about procedures in the Learning Zone. There was a lot of excitement as students signed out their books and shared the book series titles that they wanted to see in our collection!

Kindergarten students have also started visiting the Learning Zone and are learning how to choose and treat books. Book sign out will begin during the first week of October.

As usual, students in Grades 1-8 are permitted to have two books signed-out at any given time. However, if a book becomes lost or overdue, the student's account will be blocked and he/she may not sign out any additional books until the book is either returned or a replacement fee is paid.

Finally, the Learning Zone needs your help! I am looking for parent volunteers who are interested in working in the library. Some of the tasks would include organizing and shelving books, processing new books, checking books in/out, creating displays/bulletin boards, assisting with the Book Fair, and helping students find and choose appropriate books. Please contact me at extension 118 for more information if you are able to help out!

I look forward to working with your children and helping to promote the love of reading!

Mrs. J. Neumann



Teacher-Librarian

Appropriate Clothing for the Weather

This is a reminder that **all students are required to go outside** twice a day. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed to go outdoors. Extra sweaters, hats, scarves, gloves, etc. are needed.

Please also ensure that your child has appropriate footwear: an outdoor pair of shoes or boots as well as an indoor pair of shoes for classroom and physical education use.

Children go outside for all recesses.

Children who are ill should remain home until completely recovered as indoor supervision is not provided during recess.



Halloween Costumes

Halloween is an exciting and fun-filled time of the year for many of our students (and their parents!). It brings out the creative and often dramatic spirit in children of all ages. Students and their parents are reminded that, as a peaceful community, we do not encourage costumes with violent or shocking themes. The School Board's Safe Schools Policy does **NOT** permit weapons or replica weapons to be brought to school—even as part of a Halloween costume.

We encourage students to come to school dressed in their costume with their regular clothes underneath their costume. Our primary classes will partake in a Halloween Parade of their Costumes throughout the school and around the school yard. Parents are reminded that at Pleasantville we do not provide or share food treats. If you wish to send a special Halloween treat or snack for your son or daughter, you may do so however the treat is only for your own child. We appreciate your understanding and support.



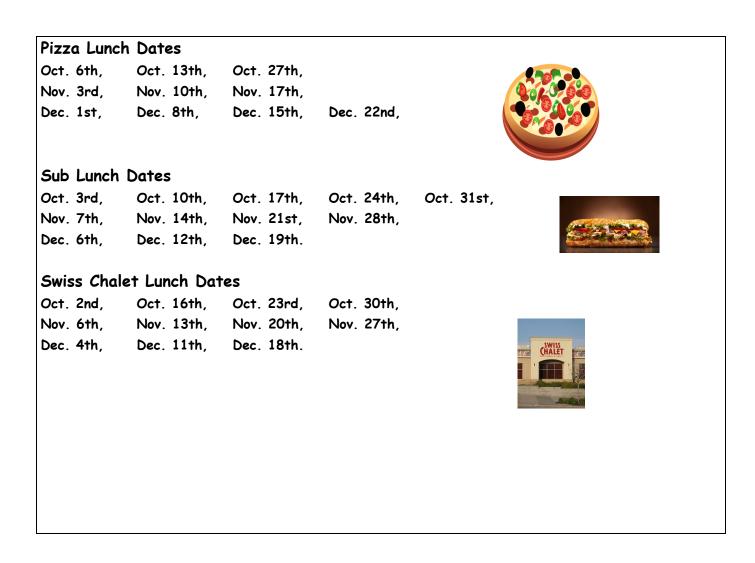
At Pleasantville we are committed to developing students who:

- Believe in a Growth Mindset and know that through hard work and perseverance they can achieve their goals
- Demonstrate a love of learning, and are interested in, and excited about, the world around them
- Collaborate with others, and are able to communicate effectively both orally and in writing and engage in purposeful talk. 'Purposeful talk is coming to an intellectual exchange willing to see and hear something new in the exchange, and actually creating a newer, stronger understanding because of the exchange. (Comprehension Through Conversation. Maria Nichols)
- Think and act like 'mathematicians', enjoy problem solving, believe they are good mathematicians and demonstrate fluency and flexibility with number
- Critically analyze a variety of text forms in order to gain an understanding of the world, and evaluate for potential bias
- Demonstrate kindness, optimism, perseverance, compassion for others, gratitude, selfcontrol and grit.

The Growth Mindset:

"People believe... their talents and abilities can be developed through passion, education, and persistence. For them...it's about a commitment to learningtaking informed risks and learning from the results, surrounding yourself with people who will challenge you to grow, looking frankly at your deficiencies and seeking to remedy them." --Carol Dweck





School Property

It is important for all students and parents to understand:

 \cdot The school administration has the right to search school property, such as lockers and desks, without notice or permission.

 \cdot Police may be invited onto school premises to conduct a search. These searches may be conducted without notice or permission of any member of the school community other than the school principal.







A Message from our Grade 8 Graduation Committee

The first graduation meeting has just happened and fundraising efforts and volunteer jobs are being planned.

Grade 8 Students and Parents -Save the Date!

This year's grad will take place at Le Parc on Tuesday, June 26th, 2018.

Grade 8 Fundraisers

Some of the fundraisers we have started include Swiss Chalet Lunch Days and Sub Lunch Days.

Next Meeting

All Grade 8 parents are welcome to attend the next meeting and get involved in planning and volunteering! The next meeting is Monday, November 13th at 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the school's library.





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