## **REGENCY GRIFFINS**

October, 2014

## From the Office

It is hard to believe that a month of school has already past. In just the first few weeks since our start, our staff and students have already participated in many events. Our School Council has been elected and had its first meeting. You probably have seen many of our students enthusiastically walking or running through our neighbourhood both for Cross Country and for our Regency Run. Once again Regency is committed to fostering a strong commitment to healthy living. Band practices have begun, our play is underway, homework club, study hall and breakfast club are open. We have been busy! Thank you to everyone who has

come forward to volunteer: from helping in the classrooms, to our lunch programs and cleaning up our garden. It has been much appreciated. As always we appreciate the strong partnership we have been encouraging with our community and look forward to another successful year at Regency. Together we can make a difference in your child's education. We encourage you to get involved. One way to do this is talking with your children every night to find out how their day went. If you are like me, you may have asked your children, "How was your day?", only to get the answer, good, fine or my favourite from my son, "I don't rememThe most certain way to succeed is always to function in the succession of the succe

ber." Now I try, "What did you do in math? (substitute different subjects), Who did you play with at recess?, What was the funniest thing that happened?, Who sits beside you?, Who is the smartest kid in your class?, Why?, What story did your teacher read you?, What was it about?, Did you have a special job today?, Did you get into trouble today?" Although with this last one, my son learned very quickly that, "I don't remember" is a good line to use. Happy chatting with your children.

## **Important Dates**

#### QSP Assembly

Our 'Kick off Assembly' for QSP fundraiser will start at 1:30 p.m. on October 3. Please ask your child for information.

#### Picture Day

October 9th is picture day. Your child/ren will be given a reminder so that they can come prepared.

#### Gym Clothes

Please note that if your child/ ren is/are buying Regency gym clothes, that all orders should be in by Monday, October 13th.

#### PRINCIPAL: C. MARTINO-PORRETTA

#### WEBSITE:

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TRUSTEE: PETER ADAMS-LUCHOWSKI (416) 906-0937 SUPERINTENDENT: G. BROCKLEBANK-VINCENT

Under the new Anti-Spam legislation we may only send you emails having to do with fundraising, if you signed up for them. If you wish to receive email from us regarding fundraisers, pizza forms, pita pit forms, hot dog forms or anything that may be sold at school, please sign up by going to our school website

#### http:regencyacres.ps.yrdsb.ca/.

Scroll down to the bottom of the page and enter your email address.



## **Hot Lunch Wednesdays**



This year's Hot Lunch program starts on October 16th. Order forms have been sent home, received and recorded. We look forward to making our first hot lunch delivery. This first session will run until

Wednesday, February 18, 2015.

We appreciate everyone who has chosen to participate in this important school fundraiser and we are still happy to accept new orders.

Please keep in mind that the weekly availability of menu items on a cash and carry basis will be on a very *limited* basis and items will *not* have a guaranteed supply. For more information please visit our school website.



### **Book Fair and Photo Booth**

Open: Monday, Sept. 29 until Friday, Oct. 3 Hours:

Mon. - Wed. - 8:30 until 4:00 Thurs. - 8:30 - 7:30 p.m. Fri.- 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. Regency's Photo Booth will be set up in the library again this year at our BBQ.

Group or individual pictures may be taken (props are available.

Tickets are \$2 per picture and may be purchased at the photo booth. Pictures will be printed immediately.

5:00 to 7:15.

## **Toronto Raptors with Regency at the ACC**



Regency Acres/Raptors
Event at ACC—
Saturday, November
15 School Council is
excited to bring back
another exclusive
Raptors experience to
Regency Acres this
year! Your children
won't want to miss out
on the opportunity to
play on the Raptors'
NBA court at the Air
Canada Centre.

The price of the ticket includes admission to the court time event, as well as the ever exciting basketball game when the Raptors take on the

Utah Jazz later that night.

We welcome parents, grandparents, extended family and friends to come to this fun-filled event. (Spectators for the student playing time must hold an admission ticket for the Raptors v. Utah Jazz game later that day at 7:30 p.m.).

Please note: As last time, a minimum of 125 tickets must be reserved by October 15 in order for the ACC to grant us the court time before the game.

Be sure to stop by the Raptors Table at the School BBQ for more information.



## **Safety In and Around Regency**

# Scooters and Skateboards:

We ask that students lock up Scooters and Skateboards on the bike racks. We are going to try having bins for storage available in the back of of classrooms so they do not become a tripping hazard. We are asking that they not be stored in lockers as we have already had an injury with scooters being swung around and it may fall out of a locker.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Kiss and Ride:

A reminder: please pull up to the end of the Kiss and Ride, do not stop in the middle to let off students. We do not want anyone to get into an accident and want to keep traffic moving smoothly through the drop off.

### Concussions:

Our school board protocol around concussionsis: if your child has sustained a concussion whether at school, at home or somewhere else, please ask us for a concussion form. This form helps give us direction around what your child can or cannot do and when they may resume activities.



## **Lunch Time**

As a reminder to parents, please be aware that allowing your child to spend the lunch hour off school property may put your child at risk. Once off school property, your child's destination and activities may be unknown and unsupervised. The

school is NOT responsible for students who leave school property during the lunch break. If students stay at school for lunch, they must remain on school property for the remainder of the noon break. When deciding to give your child per-

mission to leave for lunch, please think carefully about your decision and speak to your child about the responsibilities of being off school property and what to do if they encounter dangerous or uncomfortable situations.

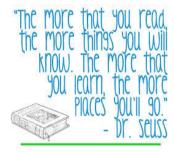


## **Vehicle Safety**

A reminder to all parents, who drop off in the morning and pick up at the end of the day. Please drive slowly when in our parking lot. In the first month of school, we have wit-

nessed some cars driving extremely fast in the parking lot. Remember there are many children and adults who may be in this area that may be hit. Please exercise caution when

driving. We ask that you do not park in the fire route. As always, we encourage you to use the kiss and ride to drop off your children in the morning.



## Regency Griffins



Hot Dog Oct. 23rd	Pita Pit Oct. 14	Kids' Kitchen Oct. 10
Nov. 20th	Nov. 11	Nov. 7
Dec. 18th	Dec. 9 Jan. 13	Dec. 5
Jan. 22nd	Feb. 10	Jan. 9
Feb. 19th	Mar. 10	Feb. 6
April 23rd	Apr. 14	April 10
May 28th	May 12	May 1
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#### To all the new Families at Regency!

We would like to invite you to a Welcome Tea, hosted by the parents of Regency Acres.

Tuesday, October 21st from 8:15am-9:15am

Please join us for this time to get to know each other and ask any questions you may have about ... well anything at Regency Acres!

Please RSVP to the office by Oct 17th.

We look forward to seeing you there!





## **School Council**

We had our first school council meeting on Tuesday September 23 and had a great turn out! So much so, we expanded the number of voting members to accommodate the interest.

A new school council was elected:

Chair: Joan Lash, Fundraising Chair: Pat Morton, Secretary: Jo Greig, Treasurer: Elena Siriopoulous, Administration Rep: Cathy Martino-Porretta, Teacher Rep: Becky Knowles, Community Rep: Gayle Palmer, Members at Large: Gwen Al-Kas, Leah Clark, Kristy Damtsis, Kim Davis, Kathy Duncan, Karen Eriksen, Sandy Kennedy, Sheena Murphy, Dina Paraskevopoulos, Laura Parkin, Lynn Pearson, Susan Roy, & Chris Vanderploeg.

Thank you to Sandy Kennedy for applying for and receiving a \$1000 Pro-grant for the school! The theme is Anti Bullying, and a parent workshop will take place at the school November 11, 7-8pm. Details have been sent out, but please RSVP if you haven't done so already. A spirit challenge assembly for the students will also take

place in November.

We discussed the financials. and how we will allocate fundraising dollars this year. Our big fall fundraiser QSP, is kicking off. We thank everyone for supporting this great fundraiser! Hot lunch, Pita Pit & Hot Dog lunches are organized and we have added Kids Kitchen to the list of options (watch for details & calendar). We discussed new fundraising opportunities, and were happy to hear that the Raptors night was back! We also approved a Welcome Tea for new families.