



# Seneca Central Public School

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## Dates to Remember

**September 12<sup>th</sup>** - Meet the  
Teacher 5:30pm-7:00pm

**September 13<sup>th</sup>** -PD Day  
NO SCHOOL

**September 24<sup>th</sup>** – Picture  
Day

## Dear Seneca Central Families:

It is with great pleasure that the staff and administration welcome you to our school. This is my first year at Seneca and I can say that I am impressed and amazed at the wonderful students, staff and family support. The children at Seneca continue to be well behaved and enthusiastic about learning. What a wonderful school! The staff is extremely proud of the programs we offer our students and the opportunities that we have for parents. We encourage you to make the most of your time with us.

For students, we offer programs that include athletic school teams, intramural programs, and clubs. For parents we offer opportunities to be a part of our Seneca Parent Committee. Our first School Council meeting will take place later this month. Parents are also encouraged to volunteer in our school for any of our activities. Please note that a valid police check is required before you can volunteer but this police check is now good for three years.

Whether you are joining us for the first time or have been at Seneca for a number of years, we hope you will become an active member of our school community. Your children need your help to be successful as they face a challenging new school year. We appreciate the time you can give us.

‘Working Together for Success’

Sincerely,

Giancarlo Crotta

## A Great Group to Join

The Seneca Parent Committee better known as the SAC, is a group of parents who help run fundraising activities. They are responsible for the Snack Program, Hot Lunch Days, etc. The funds raised are used to curb the cost of trips, events and to support our outdoor classroom. New members are always welcome and remember many hands make light work. SAC provides a forum where parents and other members of the community can contribute to improving student achievement and school performance. Parental involvement is one of the most significant factors contributing to a child’s success in school. When parents are involved in their children’s education, the level of student achievement increases, students attend school more regularly, they complete more homework in a consistent manner, and demonstrate more positive attitudes towards school.

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## Student Information Forms

Student Information Forms will be sent home during this week. Please make the necessary changes and send the forms back to school. It is very important that we have accurate information in the office for your children. Be sure that we have at least one emergency contact number.

## Meet the Teacher

We invite you to meet the staff on Thursday, September 12th from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. This is a great time to meet your child's teacher and get to know their classroom/school environment.

## Nut Aware

Please no nuts or foods containing peanut oil or peanuts as we have children who have a severe nut allergy. Also due to allergies, please encourage your child not to share food with others. Please find information regarding anaphylaxis from the Health Unit.

## Help

Our snack program will be starting soon. This program will be offered to all students on a daily basis. Your help is needed in making this program a success. Please contact the school @ 905-772-5222 to help with this wonderful program.

## Keep communication with the school open and current.

This newsletter is put out every month. It shares information on school activities and highlights student work. A monthly calendar is sent home with each class. Look for it. Teachers use a variety of ways to keep you current. Call the school if you have a concern. Start with the teacher. The best time to get Mr. Crotta is early morning.

## Board Harassment Policy

The Grand Erie District School Board has a zero tolerance policy toward all forms of harassment. The Board is committed to providing a working and learning environment that is free of harassment, which supports productivity and the personal goals of dignity and self-esteem of every individual. The Board expects all students, staff and visitors to behave in a respectful, courteous and appropriate manner at all times. The Board will respond to all forms of unacceptable behaviour in a manner consistent with the Board Policy.

## New Staff

Each year brings positive change. This includes a few additions to our staff. We are delighted to welcome Mrs. Fazzari, Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. Natt, Mrs. Ozollins and Mrs. Shipstone. They each bring a solid skill set and a gentle, sensitive approach to meeting our children's needs. Welcome to the Seneca family.

## Accessing Before- and After-Care at Seneca Central Public School

GREAT NEWS!! Riverside Montessori Christian School in York is going to offer Before & After School care for Seneca families. Please contact Riverside at 289-523-0999 to register for their new Before and After School Program.

## School Agendas

Your child will have come home with a school agenda. We use this as a way of communicating between home and school. The **School Advisory Council pays the majority of the cost of these agendas but we still ask parents for a \$3 donation to cover the rest of the cost.** Thank you!



## Hot Lunches

We will be starting our hot lunches the 3rd week back into school with pizza on Tuesdays. Other days and items will be added in the months to come. Each slice is \$2.25 and a side salad is \$3.50. Drinks are \$.50. **Our school is trying to go cashless** and all school-related payments (lunches, class trips, etc.) should go through **schoolcashionline.com** Sign up today!! If you require support registering please contact the school. **Please note that if you are a parent of a JK student you will not be able to set this up until October as our system has not yet generated an official OEN number for your child.**



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