

PARIS CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER | EDITION 1 - September 2023

Important Dates To Remember

Terry Fox Run	Sept 25 (rain date Sept 26)
PA Day	Oct 3
Meet the Teacher	Oct 4
Board Holiday	Oct 9
Picture Day	Oct 11 (re-takes Nov 22)
Immunization Grade 7 and/or 8	Oct 17
Halloween	Oct 31
PA Day	Nov 17

Parent Council News

Come and join our Parent Council Committee. All parents/guardians are invited to attend our Parent Council Meetings.

*Our first meeting:
Tuesday, September 26
at 6:30 p.m.
in the
School Library
*Hope to see you there!**



Dear Paris Central Families,

Welcome back to the 2023-24 school year!

We are thrilled to begin the new school year with our new friends from Cobblestone joining us. As the school year progresses, we look forward to having assemblies, presentations, class trips, sports, and various other school events.

This year we are happy to welcome back Miss Davila who is teaching one of our Kindergarten classes with Mrs. Sarkissian. Miss Davila will stay with us until March 2023 when Mrs. Childs returns from her maternity leave. We also welcome Miss Pike and Mrs. Pettman teaching the other Kindergarten classroom. Miss Pike will be with us until Mrs. Ramoutar returns from her leave. A thank you to Miss Stone for teaching grade 5/6 until Ms. Hendel returns from her leave. We are grateful for all our returning staff who make Paris Central School a wonderful place to learn, lead and inspire. Their ongoing commitment to our students is outstanding. As always, we are extremely thankful for Mrs. Nicholas who keeps Paris Central School running smoothly.

There will be 4 editions of the school newsletter coming to you this year. We will continue to email them, and send paper copies with your child, along with other important information. They will also be posted on our school website. We will convey important messages and reminders through the school messenger system. If you are not already on our email or phone list, please let us know.

Besides the school newsletter, please be sure to review your child's classroom newsletters to find specific information about classroom trips, programs and events. We are looking forward to a busy, engaging, and educational experience through the coming months. We look forward to seeing you in person on **October 4** at our **Meet the Teacher Night** event. The event will run from **6 pm until 7 pm**.

Kindest Regards,
Ms. Latha Reuben

Goodbye

Mr. Mallon, our full-time prep teacher will be leaving Paris Central on Friday, September 29, 2023. He will be pursuing his passion teaching music. A heartfelt gratitude from the entire staff of Paris Central for his dedicated service to our school. He will be missed. We wish him well at his new school.



Allergies at Paris Central

There are students attending Paris Central who have severe allergies to tree nuts, peanuts, eggs, and seafood. Reaction to these foods can cause life-threatening allergic reactions for our students. We need the cooperation of all the parents at Paris Central in order to reduce the risks of accidental ingestion and cross-contamination of tree nuts, peanuts, seafood and eggs. **We kindly ask families not to send any food to classrooms to be shared with other students.** We appreciate your support and understanding of this potentially life-threatening allergy.



We are looking for volunteers to support us throughout the school year. We especially need volunteers to drive students to various school sports events. Parents/Guardians who wish to volunteer are reminded that they require a valid vulnerable sector police check. Police check forms are available at the office. Police checks are now valid for three years.

Keeping Our Students Safe

Three Whistle System Reminder

The guards will first sound the whistle with one long blast when they determine it is safe to enter the crosswalk, alerting motorists they are stepping out into the crosswalk. They will then sound two short whistle blasts indicating that pedestrians may cross the street.

School crossings

A school crossing is any pedestrian crossing where a:

- school crossing guard is present
- school crossing stop sign is displayed



How crosswalks differ from crossovers

A crosswalk is different from a crossover. A crosswalk is usually found at an intersection with traffic signals, pedestrian signals or stop signs.

A crosswalk can be:

- the portion of a road that connects sidewalks on opposite sides of the road into a continuous path, or
- the portion of a road that is indicated for pedestrian crossing by signs, lines or other markings at any location, including an intersection

At crosswalks, drivers are only required to stop and yield the entire roadway when a school crossing guard is present.

Penalties

The penalties for drivers who endanger pedestrians are as follows:

Offence	Fine	Demerits	Other penalties
Failing to yield at pedestrian crosswalks, school crossings and crossovers	Up to \$1000	4 demerit points	None

Our 19th Annual TERRY FOX Run

On Monday, September 25th, students of Paris Central will participate in our 19th Annual Terry Fox Run/Walk. In the past 18 years we have raised \$24,832.03. We are very proud to be participating in this event to raise money and awareness for cancer research. Once again, we are looking for your support in working together to help keep Terry's dream alive!



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School Planner / Agenda

Primary classroom teachers have ordered school planners/agendas for their students. Students will be receiving them in the near future. We are asking that \$5.00 be brought in to help cover the cost of this invaluable communication and planning tool. At the front of each school planner/agenda there is a communication pouch and our school procedures and rules for your reference. During the first week of school, our staff reviewed school rules with their students. Please take a few moments to become familiar with them.

Bus Information

Transportation Delays/Cancellations, are you getting notified?

Did you know that there are a number of ways to see if your child(ren)'s bus is running behind schedule or has been cancelled? The ways that you can be notified of an interruption include:

- 1) downloading the bus delays app from either the Google Play or Apple store; detailed instructions on setting up the app are available by visiting <http://www.stsbhn.ca/faqs> and clicking on the last FAQ labelled "Delays and Cancellation App".
- 2) register to receive email notifications. To register simply visit <https://transinfobhn.ca/Login> and create an account. After your account has been created, connect your child(ren)'s bus service to your email address by logging in and clicking the "Add Student" button. Detailed instructions on setting up your account is also available by visiting <http://www.stsbhn.ca/faqs> and clicking on the FAQ labelled "having trouble logging into the Parent/Student portal". For parents who look up bus information before the start of school, you have already completed this option!
- 3) visit <https://transinfobhn.ca/Alerts> daily to see if your bus is running behind schedule or has been cancelled.

If you are having trouble with any of these methods, please reach out to the transportation office by emailing transportation@stsbhn.ca or by calling 519-751-7532.

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