

PARIS CENTRAL

PUBLIC SCHOOL



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Dear Paris Central Families,

The past couple of months have been busy months for us at Paris Central. Here are some of the highlights: In January, staff were busy with assessments and completing Term 1 report cards. Many classrooms visited the local library. Student council sold candy grams, chips, and popcorn to raise funds for school trips. Junior and Intermediate students travelled to PDHS and Burford for volleyball and basketball tournaments in January and February. Students enjoyed a Valentine's Day dance in February. Students and staff wore pink on Feb 22 to promote Anti Bullying Day. The crochet club enjoyed crocheting during the months of January and February. We are incredibly grateful to our wonderful staff at Paris Central who volunteer their time to run clubs, coach and organize all extracurricular activities.

All students at Paris Central will enjoy the Scientists in School program in March and April. Many thanks to our Parent Council committee for subsidizing part of the cost for this program. We are also grateful for their hard work and dedication for running the healthy snack program. Students get to enjoy delicious, healthy snacks on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Our classroom teachers continue to work diligently with students and pay attention to their academic, physical, and emotional growth. Our School Improvement Plan continues to focus on Mathematics. Students are learning to problem solve using appropriate tools and representations. We encourage students to show their thinking - we want to see their abilities to devise a plan and show their step-by-step process when solving math problems. We encourage them to be curious, engage in number talks, elaborate on their ideas and strategies, and make sense of their errors so they can become critical thinkers. Our School Improvement Plan is a live document, which continues to shift as the needs of our students shift. It is posted on the school website under School Achievements for you.

There are many exciting academic projects that our students continue to be engaged in. Throughout February, students celebrated Black History Month, learning about Canadian Heroes who contributed greatly to our society. Our primary students enhanced their creativity and math skills, learning how to count to one hundred in various ways leading up to their hundredth day celebration in the classrooms. It is always incredible to see students applying various skills and strategies as they learn and grow.

We appreciate your ongoing involvement in making our school an amazing place to be.

Kindest Regards,
Ms. Reuben



Dates to Remember

March 5	School Speeches
March 7	Bus Safety Presentation
March 11-15	MARCH BREAK
March 18	School Reopens
March 22	Grades 2 & 3/4 to Apps Mills
March 25	Grades 4 & 6 to Apps Mills
March 26	6:30 pm Parent Council Meeting
March 29 & April 1	School Holiday–Good Friday and Easter Monday
April 8	PA Day – Curriculum/Assessments, Student Wellbeing, School Safety and Violence Prevention
April 9-11	Drumming Clinics
May 13-17	Grade 3 EQAO
May 21-24	Grade 6 EQAO
May 20	School Holiday – Victoria Day
May 28	Parent Council Meeting
June 3	PA Day – Curriculum and Assessment
June 4 & 5	Grade 7 & 8 year-end trip to Camp Olympia
June 21	Report Cards
June 24	Grade 8 Graduation (details to follow)
June 27	Last Day of school for students
June 28	PA Day – Student Achievement: Reflection and Planning

Kindergarten Registration is Open

If your child will be turning 4 in 2024, Grand Erie is ready to welcome them to Kindergarten in September!



For everything you need to complete the registration process, contact the school or visit: granderie.ca/kindergarten

Police Services in Schools

The Police Services in Schools program PROSE™ (Police Resource Outreach Supporting Education) will be in our schools. The programs will include:

- deliver curriculum-aligned classroom presentations in partnership with teachers
- deliver relevant presentations to staff, parents/caregivers on a variety of topics of interest to these groups
- be present and participate in school events such as track meets, assemblies, school performances, refereeing intramurals, presenting awards at monthly assemblies, open houses, involvement in games clubs, music, and drama clubs
- conduct informal drop-ins during break times to interact with students in a community-building capacity
- participate in/help lead community support drives such as a canned food drives, winter clothing drives, back-to-school supplies drives
- run bike rodeos
- become involved in mentoring programs where appropriate

Our assigned PROSE™ officer for our school this year will be PC Rawan Al-Louzi.

For further information on the review process and its specific outcomes, the full report, Review of Police Programs and Presence in Schools, June 2023 is available on the Grand Erie website at

https://www.granderie.ca/application/files/2416/9022/4746/PoliceInSchoolsReview_Report_June_2023.pdf

If you have questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher or principal.

Hot Lunches at Paris Central

Students will be able to enjoy pizza every Friday at second recess. You can order slices for your child/children through cash online.

Subway Day March 26



La Bottega in April – Date to be determined



Beating to the Drums at Paris Central

All students at Paris Central school will be enjoying drumming clinics in the month of April. Proceeds from our Hot Lunch Days is funding this event.

Mr. Kingsmore, an experienced teacher, will conduct drumming clinics for our students from April 9 to April 11. Students will be exposed to RHYTHM (short and long), BEAT (pulse), DYNAMICS (loud-quiet, crescendo), TEMPO (slow, medium, fast), KEEPING TIME (no speeding or slowing), FREESTYLING (deciding which instruments to use in ways to complement the different parts of a song), ANTICIPATION (predict changes and adjust) LOOSE FINGER-TIP DRUMSTICK GRIP (necessary to control dynamics without overpowering the vocal tracks in the music.) MUSIC RUDIMENTS VARY BY GRADE LEVEL.

We are looking forward to the event.



Paris Central Eco Club is working hard to maintain an eco-friendly school. Remember to bring litter-less lunches everyday. Thank you for helping us reduce waste at our school.



End of the Day Pick-ups

At the end of the day, when students cannot be dismissed from the school yard because of frigid temperatures, ice, or rain, we will be dismissing them through the large doors by the stairs on Broadway Street. We have many primary and junior students boarding the school bus, and we need to make sure that every student is safe and accounted for. We are asking parents who walk their children home from school to kindly steer clear from this area during this hectic time to avoid congestion and confusion. Please leave the area immediately after you pick up your child/children to create a clear path so students can walk safely to their bus. We truly appreciate your cooperation and patience in this matter.



Please ensure that your child is on time everyday and is attending school regularly. Students miss important routines, instructions and/or lessons when they are late or absent. Punctual, regular attendance at school is an important foundation for good learning and responsibility. Research indicates that attendance patterns and attitudes towards school develop at an early age and when students are frequently late or absent from school, these patterns often continue throughout the student's school career.



Parent Council News

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

*Our next meeting date:
Tuesday, March 26, 2024
at 6:30 p.m.*

Hope to see you then!



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