



May and June 2019

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BELL TIMES

8:45 am: Entry Bell

10:45am – 11:25am: First
Nutrition Break

1:25pm – 2:05pm: Second
Nutrition Break

3:05pm: Dismissal

Each year the Educational Quality and Accountability Office from the government of Ontario sets standardized tests for students in grades 3 and 6 in all elementary schools. Parents often ask, “What can we do to help our child prepare for the test?” While there is no way to “study” for the test, following these simple suggestions can greatly increase your child’s chance for success:

- Ensure that your child has a proper night rest
- Ensure that your child eats a nutritious breakfast
- Reassure your child that trying their very best is what is most important
- Ensure that you do not schedule appointments during the testing period
- With warmer weather finally here, please remind your son/daughter to dress in layers and to bring a hat for the outdoors and to always stay hydrated

Volunteering on Field Trips

As we pull into the final stretch, there will be numerous year-end trips planned for students here at Banbury Heights. Keeping in mind that volunteers are always needed in order to maintain the proper adult-child supervision ratio, we are asking you to help us ensure that you will be eligible to be a volunteer. As we have previously communicated, it is essential that volunteers have a Police Check that is **less than 6 months old** with vulnerable sector (good for 3 years upon issue) but also all volunteers must complete AODA training on line, and provide proof of completion to the school office. You will not be able to participate as a volunteer without both pieces in place, and that would be a shame because WE NEED YOU! For more information on completing your AODA training, please follow the link:

<http://www.granderie.ca/board/elementary/parent-portal/volunteers>

Scroll down to **Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (A.O.D.A.)** Training to complete the process. Print off the certificate upon completion and submit to the office. We thank you and your child. Thank you!

FAMILY MATH NIGHT

Thank you to everyone who came to participate in our Family Math Night on May 16. We had many families come with their children and participate in math investigation through games and challenging questions in our classrooms. We continue to value the partnerships with all parents who take an active interest in their children's progress in school. Your involvement makes all the difference in the world and we truly appreciate your participation.

ICE CREAM & PIZZA

Thank you to Mrs. Butler's Grade 2 class for the amazing Waffle Bowl Sundaes that were sold at Family Math Night. Also, a special thanks to Banbury Heights School Council for organizing pizza dinners for parents who chose to come have dinner with the Banbury community in the gym. It was a great turnout and we were very excited that you came and took part. The bar is now set high for next year.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

We will soon be having our final School Council meeting for the year. Please mark **Wednesday June 12** on your calendar, from 6-7:30pm in the school library. We invite any parent who is interested in being involved next year to come out and help us plan for the new year ahead.

Milk

Check School Cash Online for information regarding the school milk program. Milk is provided at Banbury twice a week courtesy of Hewitt's Dairy. Milk is paid for monthly.

TRACK & FIELD

Track and Field practices have started for junior and intermediate students. Intermediate practices take place during the last hour of the day on the playground and the field. Track and Field Day for Banbury is **Wednesday, May 29** and will be held at Kiwanis Field. Dress appropriately for the day. Remember to have sunscreen and water and a hat. We wish everyone the best of luck!

BANBURY HEIGHTS T-SHIRTS

Thank you to everyone who responded in School Cash-Online to order your child's free Banbury Heights T-Shirt. Turnaround time is usually around 2 weeks once the order is placed, so we expect the delivery to come around the first week of June. Every student will have a t-shirt!

FINDING INFORMATION ON OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Finding information on our school website doesn't have to be tricky. Here are the steps to keeping tabs on the events and happenings at our school, and where newsletters are archived for your convenience. Follow the link:

<http://www.granderie.ca/schools/banbury>

You will see a variety of links to try out in regards to specific information you may be looking for. To access previous and current school newsletters, click on "MORE", and then navigate to the "School Newsletters" link.



As you already know, the school year is full of due dates and deadlines, and at times, we understand that students and parents may feel added stress in their already busy lives, we will do our best to give you plenty of time to help us stay on track. Remind your child regularly that any permission or order forms that come home need to be brought to your attention. On food days, orders need to be placed by a certain time, and we can't guarantee being able to accommodate late orders. In the case where permission forms for trips are due, Grand Erie District School Board policy states that the official Permission Form must be signed and returned. Hand written notes, or verbal (over the phone) permission is not acceptable as "informed consent" because of liability. Therefore, it's absolutely important that permission forms come in on time. When a school trip occurs, and the form has not been returned, the child will not be permitted to leave the school for the trip. **As has become regular practice, all items are now paid for on School-Cash-Online.** We thank you for your cooperation.

Upcoming Dates:

May 16 – Family Math Night
May 17 – Jump Rope for Heart
May 21-23 – EQAO – Grade 6
May 24 – Grade 7 Immunization Clinic
May 27-29 – EQAO – Grade 3
May 29 – Track and Field (Gr 4-8) at Kiwanis Field
Jun 6 – Regional Track and Field at Lion's Park
June 7 - PD DAY – No School
June 11 – County Track and Field at Lion's Park
June 18 – Volunteer's Breakfast (8am-9am)
June 19-20 – Clifton/Victoria Intermediate Trip
June 21 – Last day for Breakfast Buddies
June 21 – CAGE Track & Field – Kiwanis (4:30 – 9 pm)
June 24 – Grade 8 Graduation
June 24 – Report Cards go home
Pita Days: May 29, June 12, June 26
Pizza Days: May 24, May 31, June 6, June 14, June 21

Other Important Dates:

May 20 – Victoria Day (No School)
May 23 – Lag B'Omer - (Judaism)
May 30 – Ascension Day (Christian)
May 31 – Laylat al-Qadr (Islam)
June 3 – Savitri Pooja (Hindu)
June 5 – Eid al-Fitr (Islam)
June 9 – Shavuot (Judaism); Pentacost (Christian)
June 10 – Whit Monday (Christian)
June 16 – Father's Day
June 21 – Summer Solstice
June 21 – National Indigenous People's Day
June 27 – Last Day of School for Students





2019-20 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Elementary

	1st Week					2nd Week					3rd Week					4th Week					5th Week				
	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F
September	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	30				
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October		1	2	3	4	7	8	9	10	11	14	15	16	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29	30	31	
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November					1	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	18	19	20	21	22	25	26	27	28	29
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December	2	3	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	16	17	18	19	20	23	24	25	26	27	30	31			
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February	3	4	5	6	7	10	11	12	13	14	17	18	19	20	21	24	25	26	27	28					
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June	1	2	3	4	5	8	9	10	11	12	15	16	17	18	19	22	23	24	25	26	29	30			
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The 2019-20 School Year Calendar provided a total of 187 Instructional and 7 Professional Development Days.

H School Holiday

B Board Designated Holiday

P Professional Activity Day

- Sept. 13/19 • H&S/Safe & Inclusive Schools Planning
- Oct. 8/19 • Focus on Fundamentals of Math
- Nov. 15/19 • Interviews/Reporting to Parents
- Jan. 20/20 • Student Assessment and Reporting

- Apr. 24/20 • School Self-Assessment Reflection
- June 5/20 • Student Assessment and Reporting
- June 26/20 • School Achievement Reflection & Planning

SUCCESS for Every Student