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Of Whom Much is Given, Much is Expected

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Another school year has begun and it certainly appears that everyone is ready for a great year of learning!

Mr. DeMaeyer and Mr. Cuhna did an amazing job this summer (in very high temperatures) to get the school ready for our staff and students. Our floors are gleaming and every nook and cranny has been cleaned.

This year, TLDSB has returned to the formal format for agendas and provided them for each student free of charge.

Ms. Zimmermann has been busy ensuring that all the forms were ready to come home for signing last week! We really appreciate how quickly these are being returned to the school so that we can be sure that we have the most accurate information on file. Thank you for making sure that we have an email address on file for you as newsletters and important information will often be emailed to you.

And of course, the staff have been spending the summer and first week of school, planning to ensure that the students will have a great year. The rooms look amazing and the students have already produced some great work!

We are certainly ready to begin a great year of learning at APS!

Mrs. Leeder



Trillium Lakelands District School Board uses an eflyer distribution system called Peachjar. This program allows approved community flyers to be posted online and emailed directly to parents' inboxes. Each school has its own Peachjar webpage that parents can view by clicking on the Peachjar button on the school website homepage. It's easy to find, view, and share eflyers. They're a great way to pass information along to family and friends – and are shareable via social media! This system helps our schools reduce paper amounts, reduce copy costs, and relieve a significant administrative burden from our teachers, office staff, and volunteers. **If you have not signed up, you are encouraged to do so!**



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 17 - Last day to register to enter in the Arts and Crafts for Lindsay EX (see Mrs. Leeder)

Sept. 19 - Arts and Crafts Commonwell Building at fairgrounds between 3 and 9 PM.

Sept. 20 - Flower, Vegetable and Farm Produce exhibits to the Fairgrounds

Sept. 20 - Meet the Teacher

Sept. 26- Fair exhibits to be picked up.

Sept. 26 - Magazine Kick Off

Sept. 30 - Terry Fox Run

Oct. 21 - Picture Day

Staffing

We are pleased to welcome Mr. O'Neill to APS! He will be with us on Days 1, 2 and 3 until morning break teaching primary gym, drama and dance! He will then be heading to teach at Woodville School.

We are pleased to have Ms. MacDonald back at APS, but we are now using her married name of Ms. Dunford!

Volunteers Are Valued!

As always, Alexandra Public School welcomes volunteers to our school. What a great opportunity to take a special interest in your child's education! This year we require assistance with: Breakfast Club, Head Checks (once a month), Book Fair, School Council, and class trips. If you would be able to offer some of your time to helping out at APS please see Ms. Zimmermann in the office for volunteer reference check information.

If you have supplied a reference check in the past year, please remember to sign an affidavit, available in the office, to continue volunteering this year.

Breakfast Club Volunteers

We continue to support the Breakfast bins in the classrooms each day. The Breakfast program will begin shortly. Our bins will be filled with nutritious snacks such as fruit, yogurt, cheese, cereal and breads for all students to enjoy once they are in their class. We are once again in need of Breakfast club volunteers. Please contact the office if you can help out in any way. 705-324-3313

Dismissal

Students are dismissed at 3:10 each day. Ms. McConnell/Mrs. Cantin's class will dismiss through the main doors. All other students come out the south doors that open up to our playground. Staff will be on duty until 3:20 when the final bell rings. At that time, any students who are normally picked up by family will be brought to the school office and phone calls will be made to make sure the right plan is in place! Please make sure that plans for pick up are communicated in writing in the communication books each morning whenever possible to ensure everyone's safety.

Visit Us on Our Website, Facebook and Twitter

Newsletters and calendars will be emailed out and also available on our website at <http://aps.tdsb.on.ca>.

Please check out Facebook, Twitter and the website throughout the week for news and events as we will be sharing most school news through these methods!

Inform the Office

Please update all of the student information forms that were sent home previously. Throughout the school year please continue to let us know if your **address, phone number or other contact phone numbers change**. We must keep up-to-date records in order to contact you if your child is ill.

Please remember that all visitors to the school are asked to sign in at the office.

Cross Country Club

The Cross Country Club has started! All students from Grades 1 – 6 were invited to participate. Permission forms went home last week and students run in the mornings (Monday – Thursday). We are still waiting to find out the date of the meet!



Goal

Setting:

Is knowing precisely what you want to achieve, and where you have to concentrate your efforts.

Milk & Food Orders

The Milk and Food order forms will be sent home on Monday, September 12th and due on the 19th. We do not accept late orders unless your child was absent on the order due date. If you have any questions contact Ms. Zimmermann in the office.

Picture Day

Picture Day will be on Friday, October 21st ! We are pleased to have Edge Imaging as our photographers once again this year!

Lindsay Exhibition

One of the exciting things about living in Lindsay is the beginning of the Lindsay Exhibition. Each year, students are given the opportunity to enter exhibits of a wide variety. Prize lists are available at the school and students may pick up their tags from Mrs. Leeder. A list of all entries is available at <http://www.lindsayex.com/prize-lists-entry-forms/>

Litterless Lunch Tips

<u>YES PLEASE!</u>	<u>PLEASE AVOID</u>
Reusable Lunch Carrier	Avoid paper or plastic bags
Reusable containers	Avoid plastic wrap, foil, wax, or Styrofoam
Reusable drink bottle or thermos	Avoid single-use cans, bottles, or cartons
Cloth Napkin to wash and reuse	Avoid paper napkins
Silverware to wash and re-use	Avoid plastic forks/spoons
Healthy snacks!	Avoid over-packaged snacks

School Day Schedule

8:35	Yard supervision begins	11:10 – 12:00	Period 3
8:45	School entry	12:00 – 12:50	Period 4
8:50	Announcements	12:50 – 1:10	Nutrition Break
8:50 – 9:40	Period One	1:10 – 1:30	Recess
9:40 – 10:30	Period Two	1:30 – 2:20	Period 5
10:30 – 10:50	Nutrition Break	2:20 – 3:10	Period 6
10:50 – 11:10	Recess	3:10	Dismissal
		3:20 – Final Bell – Yard no longer supervised by staff	