



Macaulay Newsflash

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Macaulay Public School, touching minds, hearts and spirits to shape our future

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Principal's Message

It was great to see so many familiar and new faces at our “Meet the Staff” night. Lots of families came out – we actually ran out of hot dogs for the first time! Hopefully most families now are able to put a face to their child’s teacher’s name.

This year, for the first time in a long time, we have only had to make a few minor shuffles with students. Our school organization was able to accommodate the transitioning in and out of about a dozen students.

Our students have been busy since the first day and are literally off and running. The running club has been very active this year and have two more races planned; Evan Luker run here at the school and The Mud Run at Morrison Meadows. Notices have been sent home with participating students.

School Council had its first meeting and I’m pleased to announce that Patricia Wark will be continuing as Council Chair this year. Last year was the most successful year for any School Council that I have been a part of. All parents are welcome to attend council meetings – the next one is on October 6th, starting at 6:30.

As part of our environmental plan, only families that request a paper copy will be receiving a newsletter. The newsletter is posted online at the school web site: <http://mac.tdsb.on.ca/>

Have a great October!

Peter Edwards
Principal

Terry Fox Walk

Students have been bringing in toonies for the Terry Fox Foundation. We have raised over \$750 for this worthy cause. Students held their walk on Wednesday, September 24th, have had a hat day, and an extra recess and an extra gym period. Other celebrations are still to come!!!



School Council Meeting

The next School Council Meeting will be held on **Monday October 6th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.** Everyone is welcome to attend.



Snack Club

Our snack club program is up and running. Some days we have upwards of 70 students access the breakfast program. If you are able to assist in this worthwhile program, please contact Macaulay Public School.



Cell Phones

Please remind your children that cell phones are not permitted for calls, photos, music or text messaging during the school day. Any electronic devices that are brought to school are done so at the students’ own risk. We will not be responsible for any lost or stolen devices.



Board Head Lice Policy

We will be having periodic school wide head lice checks during the school year. Trained parent volunteers check all students in the school, class by class. ***If you would be interested in helping with these checks, please contact the school.***



It is the Trillium Lakelands District School Board Policy that any child found to have head lice will be excluded from school until the first shampoo treatment has been completed and the nits are removed. You will be called to remove your child from school if your child is found to have nits or active lice.

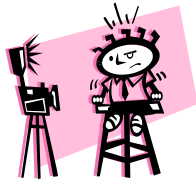
We will inform you if anyone in your child’s class gets head lice.

5 Day Cycle

Macaulay Public School is running on a 5 day cycle. A calendar listing the 5 day cycle is on the Macaulay website for your information.

Picture Day

Picture day is Thursday, Oct 9th. Retakes will be in November.



End of School Day

It is essential that changes to your child’s end of the day plans be kept to a minimum. Keep in mind that if we do not have a note telling us of a change, then your child’s regular plan will be followed (i.e. if your child rides a bus normally, they will be put on the bus if there is no note).

Pizza Day Orders

Delicious pepperoni or veggie pizza from 2for1 Pizza is being delivered on Thursdays. If you have not yet placed your order, please download a form from the website and bring it to the office.

Macaulay Book Fair

Please put Nov 18th -24th on your calendar for our upcoming Fall Book Fair. The fair will feature a wide selection of interesting items from Scholastic including activity books, novels, graphic novels, picture books and fun school accessories. There is something for everyone!

School Volunteers & Vulnerable Sector Police Checks

We welcome and appreciate all of our dedicated volunteers. For the safety of our students, our Board requires that all volunteers have an updated (2014) Vulnerable Sector Check completed. If you have had an application completed within the last year, an affidavit is available in the office. There is no fee for this service. We request that our parents complete the process now so they are ready to go for field trips and other activities. Thank you!

Grades 5-8 Running Club

A large handful of students in grades 5-8 have been using their nutrition breaks and recesses to improve their running and work on their overall fitness goals. Running Club meets every Day 1&4 from 12:50-1:15. The group is looking forward to celebrating their commitment and collective goal by representing Macaulay at the Mud Run on October 17th at Morrison Meadows. Thanks runners! Ms. Thompson and Mrs. Allison

Upcoming Events

- ◆ School Council Meeting → Oct. 6
(6:30 p.m. in the Library)
- ◆ Evan Luker Run → Oct. 7
(Gr. 1-8)
- ◆ Hep B – Gr. 7 → Oct. 7
- ◆ HPV (Gr. 8 girls) → Oct. 7
- ◆ Grades 3,4 classes → Oct. 8
Wye Marsh field trip
- ◆ Picture Day → Oct. 9
- ◆ P.D. Day → Oct. 10
- ◆ Thanksgiving → Oct. 13
- ◆ Muskoka Mud Run → Oct. 17
(Gr. 4-8)
- ◆ Halloween → Oct. 31
- ◆ Remembrance Day → Nov. 11
- ◆ Photo Retake Day → Nov. 13

