



SEPTEMBER 2015

Spruce Glen Public School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to a new school year! Hopefully everyone had a relaxing summer and was able to spend some time with family and friends. We are really happy to have a new fence up in the back yard which will help with students understanding where the boundary of the school yard is. We have some new staff members to welcome to Spruce Glen: Mrs. Auckland is teaching grade 4, Mrs. Stronach is teaching grade 5 and Mrs. MacDonald is working as an Educational Assistant in the coaching class. They will be great additions to our team.

Don't forget to stay up-to-date with all of the breaking news around Spruce Glen by following us on our Facebook page and on Twitter.

Our Parent Council at Spruce Glen is very active and strong. Our first meeting will take place on September 21 at 6:30 in the library – all are welcome. This is not a huge commitment so if you are able to give some time to help out around the school, please come out.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to drop us a line.

Sincerely,
Mr. Todd Truax
Principal



School Connects System

If your contact information has changed, please update the school office. Peachjar is a web-based product that allows the school to send out information electronically in an attempt to be more environmentally friendly. Once you sign up, you will receive these notifications.

2015-2016 STAFF LIST:

JK/SK	Mrs. Higgs/ Ms. King
JK/SK	Mrs. Pinckard/Ms. Culp
1	Ms. Smithies
SK/1	Mrs. Gibson
2/3	Mr. Tripp
2	Mrs. Wright
3	Mrs. Peca
3/4	Mrs. Robson
4	Mrs. Auckland
5	Mrs. Stronach
6	Mr. Wilson
7/8	Mrs. Holtby
7/8	Mr. Kruger
Primary PE/Prep	Mrs. Jordan
Coaching Class	Mrs. Robb, Mrs. MacDonald, Mrs. Armstrong
Core French	Mrs. Haskin
Vice Principal	Mrs. Lupton
Instructional Leader	Mrs. Lyons
Resource	Mrs. Carlin
Secretarial	Mrs. Roffey / Mrs. Howe
Educational Assistants	Mrs. Harrison-Pierce, Mrs. Kruger, Mrs. Plant, Mrs. Bemmann, Mrs. Gordon, Mr. Wilkin
Caretakers	Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Groom
Principal	Mr. Truax

The Parents' Group oversees the running of two important programs within the school: The Safe Arrival program, in which we place calls to parents and caregivers of absent children, and the Breakfast Club, which is back at Spruce Glen **5 days a week!**

Every school day (excluding snow days) before the 8:50 am bell rings, your child can pick up breakfast at the primary pod. They can choose toast, bagel, fruit, yogurt, cheese, apple juice, orange juice and/or milk. There are also **lactose-free** yogurt and **gluten-free** products. Your child just has to *ask* for these options.

If you can help out at the Breakfast Club or if you would like to donate, please contact Penny Wilder at 705-783-0136 or pennybirds@gmail.com.

Parent Council Meeting – Monday, September 14th at 6:30pm in the school Library. Hope to see you there.

NUT ALLERGIES

Students with a severe life threatening peanut allergy attend this school. Please help us reduce the risk by refraining from sending food containing nuts or nut products to school. Thank-you for your help and understanding in creating a safe environment.

EGG ALLERGY

We have a student in our school with a severe allergy to eggs. Please stress the importance to your children about not sharing food and washing their hands after eating. These are good habits to follow, but in particular for our students with allergies. Thank-you for your cooperation.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sept 21st - Parent Council at 6:30
- Sept 24th - Picture Day
- Sept 29th - Cross Country Run at Arrowhead

STUDENT AGENDAS

TLDSB has decided to not purchase agendas for the school board this year. Primary grades do have communication booklets that were provided at no cost. We encourage you to use methods of communication that work for you whether it be pencil/paper, email or phone calls.



Personal Cell Phones and Electronic Equipment

In our age of electronics, school staff cannot be responsible for lost or stolen items, nor can learning time be devoted to their recovery. However, we know that many children do have access to these devices and they need to be taught by staff and parents/guardians to use them respectfully and responsibly. All communication home during the school day needs to be made with the permission of the teacher through the school phone system. Electronic equipment is not allowed to be used during recess or instructional time unless a particular arrangement has been made with a teacher. It is very important that photos, videos and voice recordings of other students and staff not be taken or distributed as we have students whose pictures are not allowed to be taken for a variety of reasons. If there is a particular reason for photos, etc. for school use the teachers would be aware of who those students might be. Thank-you for your support with this as we continue to work through how to manage our increasingly technological world.



Picture Day is
THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 24th



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labour Day	8 First Day of School	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Parent Council Meeting @ 6:30 in the library	22	23	24 Picture Day 	25	26
27	28	29 Arrowhead X-Country Run	30			

