

Staffing Changes

Once again this year we are saying 'goodbye' to a staff member. Ms. Eggett, our Charge Custodian, will be moving to Hickson Central as of Monday, April 25. We will miss her at Plattsville, even though she was with us for only a short time! Ms. Hutchinson will be temporarily supporting PDPS during the day next week, until we have a new Charge hired. We also wish Ms. Dunlop, our Child and Youth Care student, all the best as she returns to her studies at Fanshawe following her placement here at PDPS.

School Council Meeting

Please see the attached agenda, including the TEAMS link, for our next School Council meeting on Monday, April 25 7:00 – 8:30 pm. All community members are welcome to attend.

School Photos

Individual school photos and Grade 8 graduation photo retakes will be taken on Thursday, April 28. Students who are learning virtually may come into the school between 8:30 – 9:00 am to have their photos taken as well. All purchases can be made online. Information will be provided when the proofs are sent home from Edgelmaging. At this time, we are unable to book class photos.

Grade 7 & 8 Immunizations

Grade 7 and 8 students who require their first or second immunization doses, and who returned parental consent forms in the fall, will receive them on Monday, April 25.

Scholastic Book Fair

Please check out our new Library Learning Commons (LLC) website for PDPS for information on our upcoming Scholastic Book Fair May 2 – 6. There will be both in-person and virtual opportunities to participate.

<https://sites.google.com/gotvdsb.ca/p-d-p-s-lcc>

PDPS Spirit Days

Friday, May 6 - Sport Day

Friday, May 20 - Decades Day (80s)

Friday, June 10 - Fancy Day (can have fancy hair/wear a fancy outfit)

Friday, June 17 - Duet Day (match with a friend or something that goes together)

Friday, June 24 - Spirit Day (wear Panther clothing or Panther colours)

School Council Fundraiser – Colour Paradise Greenhouses

Thank you for your generous participation in our latest School Council Fundraiser with Colour Paradise Greenhouses. Information regarding the distribution of the gift cards will be sent out soon.

Rapid Antigen Test Kits and Student Masks

If you are in need of additional RAT tests or student masks, please let Ms. Elcombe know directly (t.elcombe@tvdsb.ca). Please also see the graphic below suggesting when temporary masking may be warranted at the school.

Lost & Found

Please see the attached photos of our Lost and Found items for this week, as well as the 'Last Chance' items that will be donated to local charities if not claimed by April 14. If you recognize anything that may belong in your home, please let Ms. Elcombe know directly (t.elcombe@tvdsb.ca) and we will make sure that your child gets them back on Monday. Current photos will be shared on Monday when Ms. Elcombe returns.

Police Record Checks for School Volunteers

With 'end of the year' trips being planned and possible opportunities for volunteers in our schools before the end of this school year, this is just a reminder that if you wish to volunteer, you must have a copy of a Police Record Check (Vulnerable Screening) on file at the school and have completed an Offence Declaration for 2021-2022. Volunteers no longer need to show proof of double vaccination. If you do not currently have a Police Check on file at PDPS, you can obtain one from the Tillsonburg or Ingersoll OPP detachments with an appointment. You will need to take with you a letter from Ms. Elcombe (contact the school and this can be sent home – one per volunteer) as well as 2 pieces of identification (e.g., Drivers' License, Birth Certificate, Valid Passport, etc.). The wait time is approximately 2 weeks to have these completed. If you have a Police Check on file but have not completed an Offence Declaration for this year, please contact the school and we will send a copy home for you to complete.

Plattsville Community Opportunities

Please see the attached flyer for the “Moms Wellness Workshop” on June 12, 2022.

There will be a Town Meeting at 7:00 pm on Monday, May 2 upstairs at the Plattsville arena to discuss helping Ukrainian refugees. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

TVDSB Family Engagement Event

Please see the information at www.tvdsb.ca/TVPIC for the virtual Family Engagement event featuring Dr. Korczak from Sick Kids Hospital and the TVDSB Mental Health and Well-Being Team. The link for the live event can also be found on this webpage.

Upcoming Important Dates

April 25	Grade 7 & 8 Immunizations School Council Meeting 7:00 – 8:30
April 28	Individual School Photo Day (& Grade 8 graduation retakes)
May 2 – 6	Scholastic Book Fair (see LLC website for information)
May 2	Town Meeting 7:00
May 4	Virtual Family Engagement Event 6:30 – 8:00 pm
May 5	Kindergarten Orientation 2:15 – 4:00 pm (invitations sent to new and current K families)
May 8	Mother’s Day
May 16 – June 2	Grade 3 & 6 EQAO (specific dates and additional information to come in next week’s update)
May 23	Victoria Day
June 2	Provincial Election
June 3	PA Day
June 19	Father’s Day
June 27	Reports & IEPs home
June 28	Grade 8 Graduation at PDPS
June 29	Last day of school
June 30	PA Day

Have a great weekend, Panther Families!