



APPLEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Achieving Success Together

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Month End Wrap Up for May 2017

IMPORTANT DATES

- June 9—PD Day
- June 14th—Welcome to Kindergarten Open House
- June 22nd—gr. 6 Celebration
- June 28th—Report Cards Home
- June 29th—Students last day



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION!

We had a wonderful turn-out for our kindergarten registration on January 28th! If you didn't make it, it doesn't mean you are too late! If you or a friend/neighbor have a child turning 4 before December 31st 2016—come on in and register! We'd love to register your child up for kindergarten!

EQAO TESTING

EQAO testing continues through to June 8th. We are asking the parents of grade 3 and 6 students to please avoid scheduling any appointments or activities that will take your child(ren) out of school during this time.



MOVING and ALTERNATE SCHOOL REQUESTS

As the school year draws close to an end, we are preparing for next year's classes. By keeping informed of our enrollment numbers, we as a school are less likely to re-organize from the class structure we share with you in June. So we would request that if you are moving/have already moved or will NOT be returning to Applewood in September, please let the office and your child's teacher know. If you are leaving us, it is also useful to contact your new school to let them know that you are coming in September so that they can prepare for you!

If you are moving, or have moved/live outside of the Applewood boundaries and would like your children to continue attending Applewood next fall as 'Alternate School' students, an Alternate School Request form must be filled out and kept on file at the office. Please keep in mind that primary classes are capped, so completing these forms in a timely manner is important. ELP alternate requests will hopefully all be addressed prior to leaving for summer holidays in June! Chronic lates and/or absences will be strong considerations in

allowing students to continue to attend Applewood out of district. Please note when requesting to attend a school out of boundary, that only children living within the boundary area of any given school are eligible for transportation.

SUMMER HEAT

Summer H.E.A.T. is committed to enhancing student achievement by providing highly engaging science-based activities that build literacy and numeracy skills, opportunities for meaningful parent engagement as well as focusing on healthy lifestyle choices.

Above all, Summer HEAT will provide a fun camp style environment where students are continually encouraged and empowered to develop confidence, skills and self-efficacy that will help them achieve their full potential during the school year.

Summer HEAT is a summer learning program for DSBN students only. Summer HEAT is funded by a longitudinal study research grant. Therefore students previously in the program will be given priority.

SUMMER HEAT 2017

Monday, July 10 to Friday, July 28

8:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. daily

Registration for SUMMER HEAT opened in mid May! (check out the link on our web page)

JUNIOR BASKETBALL

The Applewood Junior Co-Ed basketball team finished their season earlier this month. Thanks to Coach P. for all his time and assistance throughout the season! All our athletes learned about teamwork and communication skills while on the court. Mrs. Garrad and Coach P. witnessed growth in every player throughout our season. Congratulations on your teamwork and respect both on and off the court! Thank you to prents who helped with transporting our team to and from games. Looking forward to a fresh season next year!



TRACK and FIELD

Congratulations to all the athletes who completed at the Group 5 Track and Field meet on Friday May 12. Special shout outs to Noah Morrison, Aaron Kennedy and Brandon Thompson who will advance to our district meet on June 7. Also, special mention to Alexia Gillespie who earned a ribbon in each of her events, including a 5th place which was just out of reach of going to the district meet. Awesome for grade 4!

IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR...

Mrs. Vince will soon be counting all of our LIBRARY BOOKS for the year-end inventory. Please, please, please, check your back-packs, beside car seats, under beds and anywhere else your children may have left the books that belong to Applewood's



library. **All Applewood Library Books need to be returned to school by Monday, June 16th!**

Thanks. Unfortunately, books that haven't been returned to the school will need to be replaced. Fine cards for lost books will be sent out to students after June 23rd.

FIGHT THE BITE

Ticks, mosquitos and rabid animals have no boundaries and can be a risk to you and your family when walking to and from school or work, waiting at the bus stop, family trips, and while playing in the yard at home or at the park.

Protect yourself and your family from West Nile Virus:

Reduce standing water where mosquitoes breed
Cover up, wear long sleeved shirts, long pants, hats socks and shoes

Repair any damaged window screens

Use insect repellants containing DEET or Icaridin (follow manufacturer's instructions)

Reduce the risk of Lyme disease:

Wear light coloured clothing to help spot ticks

Use insect repellants containing DEET or Icaridin (follow manufacturer's instructions)

Check yourself, your children and pets for ticks after being outdoors

Cut your grass and dispose of leaf litter where ticks can live

Prevent rabies:

Vaccinate your pets

Do not feed or approach any wild, stray or strange animals

Do not trap, transport, keep or pet any wild animals

Do not try and nurse sick animals back to health

Presently, all of these diseases exist in Niagara. For more information, contact Niagara Region Public Health. 905-688-8248 ext. 7767 or 1-888-505-6074

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PUBLIC HEALTH

REMOVING A TICK—(from Kidshealth.org)

Most tick bites are harmless and don't need medical treatment. But some ticks (like the deer tick, wood tick, and others) can carry harmful germs that cause diseases like Rocky Mountain spotted fever and Lyme disease. The deer tick is tiny, no larger than a pencil point. Other ticks are larger and easier to the skin, and can cause it to burrow deeper and release more saliva (which increases the chances of disease Release the tick into a jar or zip-locked bag in case you want to have it identified later on.

What to Do

Step 1: Use tweezers to grasp the tick firmly at its head or mouth, next to the skin.

Step 2: Pull firmly and steadily until the tick lets go of the skin. Do not twist the tick or rock it from side to side. If part of the tick stays in the skin, don't worry. It will eventually come out on its own.

Step 3: Release the tick into a jar or zip-locked bag in case you want to have it identified later on.

Step 4: Wash your hands and the site of the bite with soap and water.

Step 5: Swab the bite site with alcohol.

Never use petroleum jelly or a hot match to kill and remove a tick. These methods don't get the tick off the skin, and can cause it to burrow deeper and release more saliva (which increases the chances of disease transmission).

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