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DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA

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JAMES WILLMS – VICE PRINCIPAL

Mark Your Calendar

- **Popcorn will be for sale each Tuesday and Thursday at first break starting next week.**
- **Early Release Day Friday, Sept. 16th**
- **Meet the Staff BBQ and Vendor Fair Friday, Sept. 23 4pm-8pm**
- **Come see our Intermediate drummers in the Grape and Wine Parade Saturday, Sept. 24th**
- **School Council Meeting Tuesday, Sept. 27th at 6:00pm in the Learning Commons**
- **Picture Retakes Thursday, Oct. 27**

Breakfast Club is running each morning. If you are interested in volunteering to supervise from 8:15-8:40 AM please contact Mr. Willms at the school.

Welcome to the 2016-2017 School Year At Grapeview School

I hope you had a healthy and relaxing summer with your children. It is with great excitement that we are starting another year at Grapeview Public School.

First, thank-you to all staff for their work to prepare for our students return. Special thanks to our custodians, Mrs. Jones and Mr. Cam, and to our secretaries, Mrs. Thoms and Mrs. Wiebe, who have worked so hard over the summer to prepare the school for our opening week. There has been maintenance work to our heating and cooling system. As such, we have worked together with the trades to share the space and have it safe and ready for our students return. There are still some things being completed, but we have plans in place to ensure the safety of all students and staff and visitors.

I'd like to welcome all the families who are new to Grapeview. We are very proud of our school and our commitment to your child's education. I'm sure that as you visit and become involved with your child's education you'll find that it is a great place to educate your child. Education is a partnership and we value you as a partner in educating your child. There will be opportunities to volunteer and be involved throughout the year. We would like to invite each family to send representation to our upcoming School Council meeting on Tuesday, September 27 at 6:00pm here at the school. This is a great opportunity to hear about what is going on at the school and share your input.

Finally, a reminder that our school parking lot is a busy place. Please slow down and be aware of students, families and staff as they enter and exit the property. We do have several buses so it is imperative the bus lanes remain clear at all times. We also share the driveway with daycare and so the designated daycare drop-off and pick-up area should be respected. Thank-you for your consideration.

Have a wonderful year!

Shelley Fehrman, Principal

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In order to help save our planet earth and cut down on paper use we don't hand out paper copies of our newsletter. You will be able to find our monthly newsletters and calendars on-line at our Grapeview website <http://grapeview.dsbns.org/>. If for some reason you are unable to access the internet from home your child may pick up a paper copy from the office.

A Few Words from your Vice Principal

Welcome Back! I hope you have enjoyed a safe and restful summer holiday! It is my pleasure to welcome students, parents and staff to Grapeview Public School.. I also want to extend a special welcome to our new students starting at Grapeview, it is a great place! I am looking forward to another great year here. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child’s teacher or myself at any time.

James Willms, Vice-Principal

Meet the Grapeview Staff

<i>Principal</i>	<i>S. Fehrman</i>	<i>Communication</i>	<i>S. Press</i>
<i>Vice Principal</i>	<i>J. Willms</i>		<i>R. Billington</i>
			<i>C. Egan</i>
<i>Admin Assistant</i>	<i>K. Thoms</i>		<i>L. Turney</i>
	<i>C. Wiebe (am)</i>	<i>Communication</i>	<i>K. Rupcic./McInnis Clark</i>
<i>Learning Resource</i>	<i>Z. Hamdani</i>		<i>A. Baldinelli</i>
	<i>K. Rupcic</i>		<i>M. Boudreau</i>
			<i>A. Smith</i>
<i>Kindergarten-1</i>	<i>L. Mayer</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>V. Hedemann</i>
	<i>J. Camilleri</i>	<i>Library</i>	<i>D. Armstrong</i>
<i>Kindergarten-2</i>	<i>D. Gesch</i>	<i>ESL Teacher</i>	<i>T. Petrucci</i>
	<i>A. Groszeibl</i>	<i>Educational Assistant</i>	<i>K. Bartolini</i>
<i>Kindergarten-3</i>	<i>M. Gibson</i>		<i>S. Bobinski</i>
	<i>B. Camilleri</i>		<i>R. Dollinger</i>
			<i>S. Koteles</i>
<i>Gr 1</i>	<i>L. Keyes</i>		<i>B. Rorison</i>
<i>Gr 1</i>	<i>A. Lopez/L. Goldsworthy</i>		<i>D. Thompson</i>
<i>Gr 2</i>	<i>S. Lampman</i>		<i>M. West</i>
<i>Gr 2</i>	<i>N. Wallace</i>		
<i>Gr 3</i>	<i>S. Wilson</i>	<i>ESL Teacher</i>	<i>T. Petrucci</i>
<i>Gr 3/4</i>	<i>K. Fraser</i>		
<i>Gr. 4</i>	<i>D. Walvius</i>	<i>Youth Worker</i>	<i>D. Paone</i>
<i>Gr 5</i>	<i>D. Armstrong /D. Irion</i>		
<i>Gr 6</i>	<i>A. Bingham</i>	<i>Lunch Supervisors</i>	<i>M. Gray</i>
<i>Gr 6</i>	<i>C. Muir</i>		<i>T. Boisvert</i>
<i>Gr 7/8</i>	<i>V. Marchand</i>		<i>P. Scholl</i>
<i>Gr 7/8</i>	<i>B. Pomeroy</i>		
<i>Gr 7/8</i>	<i>S. Vedder</i>	<i>Caretaker</i>	<i>S. Jones</i>
		<i>Night Caretaker</i>	<i>M. Cam</i>
<i>Instructional Coach</i>	<i>J. Wittig</i>	<i>Cleaning Staff</i>	<i>B. Aube</i>

Come Join School Council!!

First Meeting is Tuesday, **September 27th at 6:00pm** in the Learning Commons!

All Parents and Community Members are welcome!!

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION AND SAFETY

- ◆ **ARRIVAL AFTER 8:40** will ensure that students are supervised on the school yard. Arrival prior to 8:40 means that students may be alone on the playground. Students cannot be supervised in the school as this is teacher preparation time.

Balanced School Day Times

ENTRY BELL	8:55 A.M.
PERIOD 1	9:00 A.M. TO 9:50 A.M.
PERIOD 2	9:50 A.M. TO 10:40 A.M.
NUTRITION/FITNESS BREAK	10:40 A.M. TO 11:20 A.M.
PERIOD 3	11:20 A.M. TO 12:10 P.M.
PERIOD 4	12:10 P.M. TO 1:00 P.M.
NUTRITION/FITNESS BREAK	1:00 P.M. TO 1:40 P.M.
PERIOD 5	1:40 P.M. TO 2:30 P.M.
PERIOD 6	2:30 P.M. TO 3:20 P.M.
DISMISSAL	3:20 P.M.

- * Walking across the *parking lot* is not safe and will not be permitted.
- * We would like to remind students and parents of our school dress code. Students are required to dress appropriately for an elementary school environment. All clothing should follow the guidelines listed: neat, tidy and clean; footwear that is appropriate to the level of activity such as sandals or running shoes for regular school wear; shorts which are neatly hemmed (no short-shorts or cut offs); tops/t-shirts with suggestive messages or offensive pictures/icons are not acceptable; tops with straps that are at least 3 fingers in width (no spaghetti straps, tube tops or mesh tops); All shirts, pants, and tops must not expose the midriff. Thank you for adhering to these guidelines. If students are wearing clothing that is not suitable for the school environment, they will be asked to change it.
- * **Visitors** are welcomed at Grapeview. Please sign in at the office and wear a visitors tag.
- * **Late students** MUST report to the office to receive a late slip to present to their classroom teacher. If this tardiness becomes a habit privileges may be withheld.
- * **Student Absences** must be reported to the office by parents or guardians. A note or call to the office prior to the absence is preferred. Our answering machine is on 24 hours a day for your convenience.
- * **Volunteers** are welcome at Grapeview to assist staff in the class or with a variety of programs. Volunteer forms are at the office and must be completed before starting volunteer work at the school..

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION AND SAFETY (cont'd)

***Lunch time** (1:00 p.m.) requires that students remain on school property for their safety unless they have filled out the lunch form and have permission to go home. Please review this with your child. A form will be sent home early in September and arrangements must be made with the teacher prior to any departure from school property during the regular school day.

** **Severe Allergic Reaction** and anaphylactic shock resulting in death can result from either breathing or inhaling the allergen or touching the surface that has nut/peanut oil. Please refrain from sending any products with nuts/peanuts or peanut oil to the school. If students go home for lunch, please wash hands prior to returning to help protect these sensitive children and adults.

*Skateboards, scooters, rollerblades must be held, not ridden, while on school property. They will be kept in student's lockers.

*Signed Conduct Code and Verification forms need to be returned to classroom teachers **as soon as possible**.

*Also please return **Information Technology Digital Citizenship Agreement, Lunch form, DSBN Curricular (Physical Education) Athletic Form, Newsletter Email Signup and Milk Order Form**

* All Grapeview students in Grades 1-8 are required to have a Grapeview Agenda. The cost is \$5.00. The school is subsidizing the cost of the agenda. Agendas will be used daily in the classrooms and are an important tool for our students.

* **A Code of Behaviour** can be found in the student organizer. Please review this with your Child as a proactive measure and to establish a framework of understanding between home and school.



“Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember.



Involve me and I learn.”



Did you know.....

Once again Grapeview will have a float in the Grape and Wine Parade. The Grade 7/8 Bucket Drummers will be drumming up their music on Saturday, Sept. 24th! Be sure to come on out and cheer on your **Grapeview Gryphons!!!**

Thanks to the support received from Robin's Towing!

