



Grapeview Gazette

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Mark Your Calendar

- **October 1— Orange Shirt Day Every Child Matters**
- **October 2— Intermediate Soccer**
- **October 3— Cross Country**
- **October 4— Terry Fox Walk**
- **October 5— P.A. Day— no school**
- **October 8— Thanksgiving— no school**
- **October 18— Intermediate Pumpkin Fundraiser 3:30-5**
- **October 23— Paul Davis 6 pm Parent Council Event**
- **October 24— Picture Retakes**
- **October 31— Halloween— Students can come dressed in their costumes for the day. Parade in the morning.—More information to come**

Message from the Office

Welcome to Fall at Grapeview,

We first want to reflect back on September and thank our community for a great start to the school year. We have thoroughly enjoyed meeting new families and reconnecting with our Grapeview community at our Open House last month. We hope you had the opportunity to meet your child(ren)'s teacher(s) and explore the building where we spend our day learning together. We would also like to thank all those parents that came to our first Parent Council Meeting of the school year. Our first Parent Council event will be held on October 23 at 6:00 pm . All parents are welcome to attend an evening with Paul Davis. Paul Davis educates and empowers parents on topics that include social networking and online safety for children.

Looking ahead to October we again have many ways to continue to celebrate our school and the learning that is happening. In an effort to have all families in at least one time this year we are starting Celebration Assemblies. These assemblies will be held monthly. Each teacher/classroom will recognize a few students, that month, that demonstrated greatness that was above and beyond the greatness they show daily. We will divide the assemblies into primary and junior/ intermediate to make the experience more meaningful and age appropriate. We are looking forward to celebrating with you. If your child is receiving an award during that month your child's classroom teacher will contact you and invite you to join the assembly, all parents/ family members are welcome.

As we begin to settle into the school year we would like to ensure that you know that we are committed to being your partner in education and are always focused on students success. To achieve this success we believe that our partnership is key. Parents and guardians know their children best and we must work together to understand each other, problem solve and celebrate for student achievement. Your school team is always here for you and that team begins with our teachers. Please don't hesitate to reach out to your classroom teacher to share successes, join you in celebrations or discuss concerns.

Sincerely,

Mr. Hancox and Ms. K. Veld



*Do What Is Expected
by...*

Working Hard
Being Kind
Having Fun
Gryphon Proud!

Reminders

No Dogs on School Property

Just a friendly reminder that while we love and appreciate our furry 4 legged pets it is school policy that there are no dogs allowed on school property. We please ask that you keep dogs off property for the safety of students, staff, parents and your pets.

Thank you



Morning Routine

Supervision begins at 8:40 in the morning. Students in grades 2-5 are welcome to drop their backpacks off in their morning line outside their doors, BUT they then need to play and wait for the bell beyond the yellow line at the side of the school. They **should not** be in the Kindergarten Outdoor Classroom. Please remind your child(ren) of this rule and help us to follow this for the safety and supervision of all Grapeview students.

Thank you

Grapeview is a Scent-Reduced Environment

Grapeview is a Scent-Aware Environment: many people have a sensitivity to odours, smells, and scents. Please do not wear, or send your child with, perfume, cologne, after shave, or scented body lotion into the school.

Grapeview School Website

Just a reminder to check the website regularly for update, morning announcements and coming soon our GTV broadcasts.

<https://grapeview.dsb.nj.gov/>



Dreambox

The District School Board of Niagara has purchased DreamBox Learning licenses for every student JK-Grade 8. DreamBox is an online, adaptive math program that supports students at their level of understanding, and helps all students improve their understanding of, and proficiency in mathematics.

Your child can access DreamBox Learning from any computer, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using this link

<https://play.dreambox.com/login/42cv/grapeviewps>

Since DreamBox is an online program, there is no software to download! All you need is a high-speed Internet connection.

To access DreamBox on iPad, go to <http://www.dreambox.com/ipad>, or search for "DreamBox Math" in the App Store. When prompted in the app, use this School Code:

42cv/grapeviewps

To review your child's academic progress with a DreamBox Parent Account. Please follow these steps to create your free Parent Account:

1. Go to **<https://play.dreambox.com/login/42cv/grapeviewps>**
2. Have your child login to their profile just as they would at school.
3. Click Setup Parent Access at the bottom of the page.
4. Follow instructions to create a new login and password.
5. Read Terms of Use and Privacy Policy.
6. Click "Submit".

Log into your home account after set up:

1. Go to <http://play.dreambox.com>
2. Enter your email address and password.
3. To see student progress, click the "Parent Dashboard" button.

In order for DreamBox to open up the appropriate series of lessons to enable students to master the content, it is critical that parents allow students to work through the math *independently*. DreamBox will alter the content in the lessons in order to scaffold learning for students who initially find the content challenging. You will be amazed by what you can learn about your child and math by sitting behind your child and watching her or him play DreamBox but please resist the temptation of telling him or her the answer.

If you have any questions, please contact DreamBox Client Care by calling them at 877-451-7845 (weekdays 7am to 5pm, Pacific Time), or email support@dreambox.com. Or contact the school for support.



Grade 8 Students and Parents: Save the Date!

Starting high school is a huge step in a student's life.

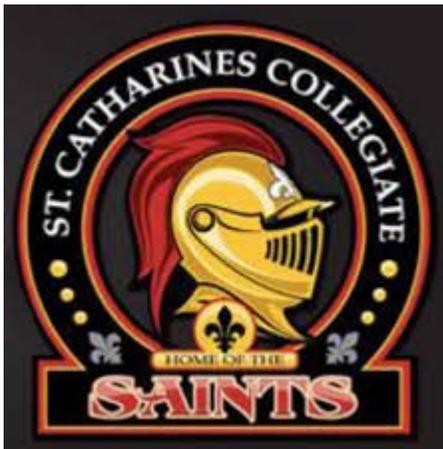
While it's definitely an exciting time, it also brings with it many questions, such as "What's life in high school really like? What programs and options are available to help me achieve my goals?"

A great way to have your questions answered is to attend an open house. Grade 8 students and their families are invited to attend High School Open Houses from November 26-29.

Details about open houses will be shared with parents/guardians mid-October.

High School Open House Dates and Times:

AN Myer	November 29	6:30 pm
Beamsville	November 28	6:00 pm
EL Crossley	November 27	6:30 pm
Eastdale	November 29	6:00 pm
Eden	November 29	6:30 pm
Greater Fort Erie	November 27	6:00 pm
Governor Simcoe	November 26	6:00 pm
Grimsby	November 27	6:00 pm
Laura Secord	November 28	6:00 pm
Port Colborne	November 27	6:00 pm
Sir Winston Churchill	November 26	6:00 pm
St Cath Collegiate	November 27	6:00 pm
Stamford	November 27	6:00 pm
Thorold	November 27	6:30 pm
Westlane	November 28	6:30 pm
Welland Centennial	November 29	6:30 pm



School Council

Grapeview School Council presents an evening presentation for parents with social media expert Paul Davis **SOCIAL NETWORKING SAFETY**

The overall safety of your child online – And the impact on their future on your family and household. Topics Discussed: Snapchat, Instagram, Facebook, Smart phone and digital trails, Cyberbullying, Texting, Sexting, Online Gaming, Online Security, Accountability and Responsibility in a digital world

October 23, 2018– 6:00 p.m.



Calling All Parents & Caregivers

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

DSBN Parent Involvement Conference

Join us for an evening of learning & FREE Workshops!

The DSBN Parent Involvement Committee invites you to join us for an evening of learning, sharing and networking with a focus on Ideas for all DSBN parents, caregivers and School Councils.



**WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 7, 2018**

4:00 - 8:15 PM at Eden High School

Complimentary Dinner & Childcare
Available by Pre-Registration

Early Bird Draw!

Register before October 3, 2018
and you could WIN \$500 of
support for your School and
School Council!



REGISTER ONLINE AT: WWW.DSBN.ORG/PIC

**Next School Council Meeting will be held
Tuesday, November 27 at 6:00 p.m. child care will be provided.**