



The Hawk Talk

NELLES PUBLIC SCHOOL

118 Main St. Grimsby, Ontario L3M 1N8



Newsletter

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Well, the end to another amazing school year is fast approaching. I am very proud of all the work and accomplishments of our students and staff this year. We have worked tremendously hard – the consistent effort is seen in the accolades that come in to us every day. Yes, our boys and girls receive medals and ribbons and trophies and plaques for sports and academics. But we also receive such positive comments about their sportsmanship, effort, responsibility and manners. Keep up the great work, Golden Hawks!

At this time we would like to thank all our volunteers (family members and community members), who work very hard to provide our students with many memorable and rewarding experiences. I would also like to thank our staff members who have worked so hard this year. The progress notes on our School Improvement Plan is a great indication of the consistent effort in changing and improving the way we deliver, and have students demonstrate their understanding of the curriculum.

Please be sure to check out our calendar for all the exciting events happening in June!

Sincerely,

Mrs. De Divitiis

IMPORTANT DATES TO

REMEMBER:

- ELP Orientation—June 4
- Fun Fair—June 5 5-7 pm
- Medieval Times (Grade 4) - June 10
- Junior 3 Pitch Tournament—June 11 (Raindate will be June 12)
- Grade 1 & 2 to Balls Falls—June 12
- PA Day (No School) - June 13
- District Track Meet—June 16
- PALS Brock Trip (Grade 5) - June 17
- Spring Concert 6 pm—June 18
- Pizza Day—June 19
- Overnight Trip to Cave Springs (Grade 6) —June 24
- Jordan Historical Museum (Grade 3) —June 25
- Safety Village (ELP)—June 26
- Talent Show—June 26 at 11:15 am
- **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL and Year End Assembly JUNE 27 at 9:40 am**

Contact us at:

Phone: 905-945-8022

Fax: 905-945-4277

S. De Divitiis, Principal

Check out our website at: Website: <http://www.dsbni.org/>



What's Happening ? 6 + 1 Writing Traits

A big thank you goes out to our 6 + 1 Writing Traits volunteers who came faithfully throughout the entire school year and gave an hour and a half every other week to help students focus on the writing traits. Students had the opportunity to work one-on-one with our volunteers engaging in an oral activity (designed by our teachers) relating to one of the traits that was being studied in class. Our students surely benefited and will continue to do so in future as a result of this program. Well done parents and students! A big thank you also goes out to Mrs. Courson who coordinated the 6 Traits Volunteer Program and to staff who designed the student activities. What a great way to work together to help our students achieve success!

CALLING IN ALL BOOKS

Library book exchange will be ending on **June 9, 2014**. As the end of the school year approaches we would appreciate help in having your child's library books returned ASAP. This will give us time to take our year-end inventory and track down any missing books. Please look around at home and try to find books from previous years as well.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

If you have younger children who are eligible to attend Junior or Senior Kindergarten in September 2014 and have not yet registered, please do so as soon as possible. Registration forms are available at the office.



SOS

"Save Our Subscriptions"

We will be running our annual magazine subscription campaign again in the Fall and would appreciate your continued support. Though there are other companies/publishers that may be asking for your new and renewal magazine orders, it would be very much appreciated if you waited for our campaign so the students can take your order. A large portion of the funds stays here in our community, so it is a wonderful fundraiser for our school. Thank you in advance for "saving" your magazine orders and helping make our continued campaign a great success. If you currently want to order any subscriptions, please use our school code and we will still profit from your order!

**NELLES ONLINE SCHOOL CODE:
ON924**

Crocs and Flip Flops

Although we acknowledge that many students like to wear Crocs and flip flops now that the warm weather is here.

Sun Safety

With warm sunny days ahead, the need to think sun safety is upon us! Many aids are available to make this easy. Children should remember to play in the shade, wear clothes to protect them from the sun's harmful rays and use plenty of sunscreen. For some games, songs and other fun learning activities, please visit www.sunsafecentral.com. Please get ready for Summer and have Sun Safe Days!

DSBN DRESS CODE

With the warmer weather comes another reminder about proper attire at school. Hats should be removed when students enter the building, shorts and skirts should reach the length of your fingertips, no muscle shirts for boys and the strap width on tank tops should be two fingers wide.



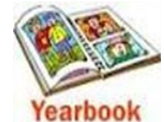
ARE YOU MOVING?

If your family will be moving prior to September, please let us know immediately. Similarly, if you know of new families with school age children moving to **our area**, please let us know as well. Organization for next year is well underway and accurate student enrolment projections are needed. Thank you for your help in this matter.



YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks should be sent home around the middle of June for all students who ordered them. Thank you to Mrs. Lozecki, Mrs. Vanderheiden and Mrs. Koot for doing such a great job!



Thank You!

...to all our student helpers ! We really appreciate all your help.

Milk Crew: Liam S., Brendan K., Landon H., Christian J., Juliana V., Jenna M., Hailey S., Sarah W.

Student Secretaries: Abbey S., Evan V., Christian J., Liam S., Ava C., Loganne L., Sarah W., Hailey S., Clare S., Alika E., and Landon H.

Tech Crew: Clare S., Landon H., Ava C., and Dylan J. and Evan V.

Lunch Monitors: Alika E., Sarah W., Abbey S., Taylor T., Mackenzie C., Payton T., Payton R., Kai A., Sam N., Rhys O., Lilly R., Kirsten S., Ava C., Loganne L., Maya K. and Stephen K.

Recycling Team: Owen P., Aaron B., Christian J. and Angus P.

Library Helpers: Jenna M., Maya K., Lilianna B., Kyleigh W., Kirsten S. and Sarah P.

Kindergarten Helpers: Payton T., and Payton R., Abbee-Maree L., Joshua V., Ryan B., and Krystyn L.

Birthday Book Club

It's hard to believe that May is upon us and we are already wearing shorts and thinking of lazy summer days ahead of us. We are celebrating May and July Birthdays with the addition of 39 new" Birthday Books" for our Library. This brings our new total to 1894 Birthday Books for The Nelles Library. Way to Go Nelles! On behalf of Mr. & Mrs. Nethery, Mrs. De Divitiis & Mrs. Craig, thank you to all the Nelles families, students and staff for your continued support.

May Birthday Wishes

Henry K. SK	Lego Ninjago: Rise of the Snakes
Payton R. Gr.4	The Cupcake Club: Peace Love and Cupcakes
Penelope K. Gr. 2	George Brown, Class Clown: World's Worst Wedgie
Breanne A. Gr.3	Barbie: A Horse Rider
Wyatt P. SK	It's The Easter Beagle, Charlie Brown & Lego Ninjago: Golden Weapons
Audrey R. SK	Frozen: A Day in the Sun & Barbie: The Princess & Magical Mermaid
Harrison R. Gr. 2	School For Bandits & Inside Animals
Trinity C. Gr.1	The Really Rotten Princess
Leo P. SK	Star Wars: Join The Rebels & Mr. Peabody & Sherman
Avery W-T. Gr.3	I Love Puppies
Andrew G. JK	Star Wars: Can You Spot The Jedi?
Joshua V. Gr.3	DK Adventures: Star Wars: Sith Wars
Mrs. Ferreira	Little Critters: A Green, Green Garden
Megan S. Gr.1	Lego Friends: Perfect Pets
Josiah R. Gr.5	Big Nate: In The Zone & Big Nate: Great Minds Think Alike

July Birthday Wishes

Rhys O. Gr. 4	National Geographic Kids: Quiz Whiz 2 & Origami Yoda Book: Princess Label Maker to the Rescue
Cian R. Gr.3	National Geographic Kids: Almanac 2015
Matteo T. Gr.2	Treasure Hunters & Eyewitness Books: Science
Ava E. SK	Disney Fairies: The Pirate Fairy Chapter Book
Lauryn T. Gr.1	Barbie Life In The Dreamhouse: Happy Birthday Chelsea
Colin G. Gr.4	The Odd Squad: Bully Bait & Fangbone: Third Grade Barbarian
Owen P. Gr.5	Big Nate: In The Zone
Sarah P. JK	Little Critters: A Bedtime Story
Sidney L-K. Gr.4	Hummingbirds: A Beginner's Guide
Ayva C. Gr.1	Barbie: A Fairy Secret & Pinkalicious: Puptastic
Ethan G. JK	Discovery Kids: 1000 Q & A's
Julia D. Gr.1	My Little Pony: Ponies Love Pets
Emmett P. JK	Star Wars: Epic Battles
Evan V. Gr. 6	The Complete Space Guide & Minecraft: Redstone Handbook



Student Class Placements

A primary goal at Nelles is to develop classes that reflect the diversity of our school community by allowing the variety of interests and talents of our learners to emerge and grow. Like your family, the class unit provides a balance of opportunities for a range of learners to succeed through appropriate challenges. In the right environment, students develop a sense of belonging and the feeling that in a variety of ways they make a noticeable contribution. The family, the school and the community provide opportunities for children to socialize. Each new year brings opportunities to meet new friends and expand our circle of acquaintances.

These are the criteria we use to guide our placements . . .

Interests, Talents & Learning Needs

All children are unique and different. The teacher's task of providing meaningful learning programs is enhanced when classes are created to accommodate instructional groupings.

Balanced According to Gender

We attempt to balance the number of boys and girls to ensure many friendship opportunities.

Learning Style

How does the learner go about the process of learning? What kind of environment best allows that style to be utilized effectively?

Social Blending

What is the best cluster of individuals to effectively and efficiently learn? This should not be viewed as a grouping of friends. At particular stages, some close friends learn best in separate classes.

***IMPORTANT: The classroom organization listed below is **tentative**. If we have students in specific grades move into our Nelles catchment area of the summer, it could result in the need to split grades.

TENTATIVE Class Organization for September 2014/2015

Kindergarten	Mrs. Ferreira
Kindergarten	Mrs. Hall
Grade 1	Mrs. Courson
Grade 1/2	Mrs. Holloway
Grade 2	Mrs. Raymond
Grade 3	Ms. Romany
Grade 4	Mr. McEwen
Grade 5	Miss. Schroeder
Grade 6	Mr. Hodgson
Grade 7	Mrs. Nawrocki



Use insect repellent properly

Insect repellents contain **DEET**, which can be harmful to children. Read the repellent's instructions carefully and follow these guidelines for your children:

Under six months:

Do not use DEET

Six months to two years:

Apply sparingly. Only when in high-risk areas. Use a spray with 10% DEET or less.

Two to 12 years:

Use a spray with 10% DEET or less. Do not apply more than three times per day.

Older than 12 years:

- 30% DEET provides six hours of protection
- 15% DEET provides five hours of protection
- 10% DEET provides three hours of protection
- 5% DEET provides two hours of protection

If you find any dead crows or blue jays please contact Niagara Region Public Health at 905-688-8248 ext. 7767, or 1-888-505-6074

Sources:

Red Book, 2009.

28th Edition, American Academy of Pediatrics.

Control of Communicable Diseases Manual, 2008 19th Edition, David L. Heymann.

CDC Fact Sheet,

Health Canada Fact Sheets, West Nile Bulletin

For more information:

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Niagara Falls: 905-356-1538
Welland: 905-735-5697

West Nile Virus



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www.niagararegion.ca

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Only blacklegged ticks/ deer ticks carry Lyme disease

There are areas in Ontario that
are considered high risk with an
established tick population.

Please visit www.niagararegion.ca
for a list of these high risk areas.

This information is intended to provide general
health-related information about Lyme disease.

It is not intended to replace medical consultation
by your physician and/or other health care
professionals.

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MOHLTC, www.health.gov.on.ca
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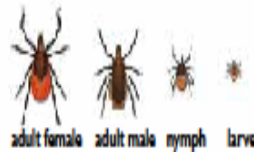
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Agency of Canada

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
1600 Clifton Rd. Atlanta, GA 30333, USA

Ticks and Lyme Disease



Blacklegged Tick



Lone Star Tick



Dog Tick



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