

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to all students and families! I hope everyone had a fun and restful break in preparation for an exciting school year. As a staff, we are thrilled to be starting a brand new school year with such a great group of kids!

Here at William E. Brown, we continue to reinforce the high expectations we have for students in the areas of effort, behaviour and achievement. By taking care of the first two, we are certain that the third will fall into place. Most importantly, we are focusing on developing and enhancing a love for learning in all program areas.

Bell Times:

Supervision on the playground begins at 8:50am each day and students will enter the school at 9:05 to begin their instructional day. We have two fitness and nutrition breaks throughout the day (that are scattered between 10:45am and 2:05pm. Students are dismissed and loaded onto their buses beginning at about 3:20pm. If you are dropping students off in the morning or picking them up at the end of the day, please use the drop-off area to the left of the gymnasium (north end of the building) in order to maintain student safety. **PLEASE COLLECT the children safely without asking them to go through high traffic areas.** This will allow the students to avoid walking through the bus lanes.

Anaphylaxis and Medical Concerns:

Anaphylaxis is a severe and life-threatening allergic reaction to foods, insect stings, latex and medications. If you have a child that is at risk of anaphylaxis or has any other medical concerns that we should be aware of, please ensure that their homeroom teacher is aware so we can work together to ensure their safety.

Student Verification Forms and Agendas:

Please review, update and return the student verification forms that will be sent home tomorrow. It is extremely important that we have up-to-date information on file here at the school. Agendas have also been handed out to most of our classes this week. These agendas serve as a valuable communication tool between home and school and also help students stay organized with upcoming assignments and activities.

Volunteers and Extra Curricular activities

As we begin the year, we have a pause on these activities. However, as the year progresses, we are hopeful that we can resume all sorts of the "extras".

Bi-Weekly Message

This is the first message of what we will continue to send out throughout the beginning of the school year. Updates and changes often occur through the Ministry of Education and from Niagara Region Public Health. Due to the changing nature of things we will try to communicate with you regularly and also encourage you to seek updates at dsbn.org.

Upcoming Dates:

Sept. 30th– Orange Shirt Day (Every Child Matters)

Mr. D. Howell

Principal