



Dresden Area Central School SEPTEMBER 2023



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Dresden Area Central School is such a wonderful place to learn. We thank our students, parents, community and staff for making it such a great place. THANK YOU!

Welcome Back - Meet the Staff

We are happy to have you back for another exciting year of learning. We have many new families joining our Eagle Team and we welcome them with open arms.

We will be having a Meet the Staff open house **September 20th, from 4-6pm** at the school. Parent Council will also be holding a Scholastic Book Fair that night in the library.



Please avoid using the bus lane 9-9:15am and 3-3:45pm.

EAGLE SPIRIT WEAR

Click here to order [DACs Spirit Wear](#)

Facebook Page

Like our Facebook page to receive information and updates.

You can find it at [Facebook Page](#)

School Cash Online

Visit the school website to learn more about SchoolCashOnline (click on the orange School Cash Online button). We currently do not have any items on School Cash Online. Pizza days to TBA.

<https://lkdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

Professional Activity Days
Friday, September 15, 2023
Friday, October 6, 2023
Friday, November 17, 2023
Friday, February 2, 2024
Friday, April 26, 2024
Friday, June 7, 2024
Friday, June 28, 2024
First Day of Classes
Tuesday, September 5, 2023
Education Week
May 6, 2024
Take Our Kids to Work Day
November 1, 2023

New Staff

Secretary	Mrs. R. Taylor.
Grade 1	Mrs. K. Leckie
Grade ½, Primary Resource	Mrs. A. Laird
EA	Mrs. C. Bechard
EA	Ms. M Tait
EA Jordan's Principle	Miss. A. Keller

School Visitors

A reminder you will need to buzz into the school and check into the office when picking up your child.

Nut Aware

Parents Please remember that DACS is a NUT AWARE school. Students may not bring any nuts, peanut butter, or nut products (including Wow Butter) to school. Please make sure to read all labels before packing your child's lunch. We have several children with severe anaphylactic allergies to a variety of nuts and it is important that we ensure their safety while they are at school. We appreciate your co-operation and support with this.

Medication

Please let the office know if your child has a special health problem such as asthma, diabetes, allergies, etc. It is important that we be informed of any changes in your child's medical status. All student medications must be kept in the school office and administered by a designated member of the school staff. A completed "Consent to Administer Medication" form must be on file in the office before any medication can be authorized or administered at school. Please see the office if you require one of these forms. **Note: A physician signature is required on this form prior to school staff being able to administer any medication. This form must be updated annually. If your child requires an epipen to be kept at school, the LKDSB Policy states that the parent/guardian must provide two of them - 1 for the classroom and 1 to be kept in the office.** Medication is to be transported to the school by the parent to ensure the safety of children. Medication is to be provided in the pharmacy bottle with the pharmacy directions attached. **Please do not send over the counter medication for dispensing at school as it does not meet the above criteria.** If medical urgencies occur during the school day, parents/guardians will be contacted. Thank you for your help.

Bus Information

For bussing and weather information visit <https://cklass.ca/services/student-transportation/>. You will need to have your child's student ID (# on report card) to have a parent portal log in. DACS is in Bus Zone #5,6,7. If you choose to drive your child/children to school when the buses are cancelled due to inclement weather, you will need to pick them up at the end of the school day at 3:35pm as there will be no buses at the end of the day.

Indigenous Education

The Lambton Kent District School Board will commemorate the impact of residential schools on Friday, September 29th, 2023 - Orange Shirt Day. Students and staff are encouraged to wear orange shirts and use this day as a catalyst to encourage learning and understanding about the residential school system and the impacts that system has had on First Nations, Metis and Inuit people. This is a meaningful way as school communities to come together in a spirit of reconciliation and hope because "Every Child

Matters". Respectfully, flags at all LKDSB schools and facilities will be lowered on this day.

This recognition day will be part of the activities and discussions occurring during the Truth and Reconciliation Week September 25th to September 29th which will also include discussions about the truth of Indigenous treaties, languages and culture and First Nation, Metis and Inuit land claims.

Orange shirts are available for order by interested staff and students from Screenart, a company in Wallaceburg. Screenart has created an online store for LKDSB orders, therefore staff and families will submit payment online directly to Screenart. https://www.screenart.ca/lkdsb_ecm/shop/home The store is open immediately for purchases, and will remain open until Monday, September 11th. All shirts which are ordered will be delivered to the schools via the board courier by September 28th.

Terry Fox Run

On September 22nd we will be participating in the Terry Fox Run behind the school and in the community. The event will be weather pending. Click here to register and sign up for online donations. Thank you for your generosity. [Terry Fox Online Donations](#) A big thank you to Mrs. Long for organizing this event.

Lunch Time

Students will be required to bring their own food. Students will eat their lunch with their class in a designated area. Students will not be allowed to share any food. Students in grade 7 & 8 are permitted to leave school property at lunch with a note.

Grab N Go Snack Program

Bins will be delivered to classrooms daily. We hope to have our program up and running the 3rd week of school. Many thanks to our many volunteers that make this program such a success. It is so nice to greet students with a smile eating a breakfast to get a kick start to their day.



School Council

We welcome our School Council back and any new families who would like to join our discussions. Our first meeting is September 13 at 6:30pm in the library. Please contact the office to confirm your attendance. All are welcome. Thank you.

