



A.A. Wright Public School

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From the Office

We hope that you had a fantastic summer and are ready for another amazing year at AA Wright. If you are a new family, we want to offer you a warm wildcat welcome and thank you for choosing our school.

The staff has been working extremely hard all summer to get ready for this year preparing learning spaces for all our students. We'd like to thank our custodial team for all their hard work as well this summer. They cleaned all the classrooms, washed all the furniture and waxed the floors so that they are gleaming. Mrs. Blanchard, too, has been working very hard getting ready for us to start and registering new students.

We are very lucky to have such an amazing team here at AA Wright. Our team is really looking forward to working with all of you to make this year an extremely successful one.

Staff Updates

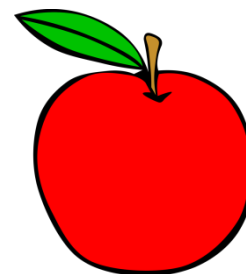
We have made a number of staffing changes. We would like to welcome back Ms. Kelly and Ms. Berry as well as Ms. Downing.

In addition, we are welcoming back Ms. Akiwenzie, adding Ms. Kerr to our Ojibwe language team.

Ms. Denning and Ms. Cadotte are also joining us this year!

2020-2021 Staff List

Ms. Dramnitzke/Ms. Gardiner	FDK
Ms. Keskeny/Ms. Hebert	FDK
Ms. Dobbelaar	Gr. SK/1
Ms. Roelofsen	Gr. 2
Ms. Lilley	Gr. 1/2
Ms. Payne	Gr. 3
Ms. Berry	Gr. 3/4
Ms. Taffeiren	Gr. 4/5
Mr. Mikhaila	Gr. 5/6
Ms. Kelly	Gr. 5/6
TBA	Phys-Ed/Prep
Ms. Kerr/Ms Akiwenzie	Ojibwe/Prep
Mme Burns	French
Mme Knowles	French
Ms. Babbitt	Resource
Mr. Braithwaite	Resource/Prep
Ms. Pelletier	Educational Assistant
Ms. Cadotte	Educational Assistant
Ms. Mills	Educational Assistant
Ms. McKillican	Educational Assistant
Ms. Denning	Educational Assistant
Ms. Bechard	Educational Assistant
Mr. Love	Educational Assistant
Ms. Christian	Custodian
Ms. Coke	Custodian
Mr. Ameriault	Custodian
Ms. Blanchard	Secretary
Ms. Goodal	Principal



Terry Fox Run

Due to our new safety protocols, we will be doing our Terry Fox Run differently this year. Our run will happen at different times throughout the school day as the classes will be doing their run on their own. We will not be collecting money at school this year, but you can donate online. Here's the link to the donation page:

<https://secure.terryfox.ca/registrator/TeamFundraisingPage.aspx?TeamID=912643>

We will be doing our Run on Friday October 2nd.

Safe Arrival and Dismissal

Our school day begins at 9:10 am. Students may arrive to school no earlier than 8:55 as that is when supervision begins. All students will go in their recess door, sanitize their hands at the sanitizing stations and head right to class.

Any student that arrives after 9:10 must check in at the office and receive a late slip. Being on time for school each day is really important to your child's success in school. Having a regular routine each day helps students develop habits that set the ground work for a positive experience at school.

The school day ends at 3:30 pm and students need to remain in their classrooms until the end of day as it is disruptive to learning if we need to continually call into classrooms for early pick up. If you need to do this on a regular basis, please contact the Principal so she can support you.

Bus students will remain in their classrooms until their bus lines are called. School staff will escort bus lines outside to board the buses. We ask parents who are picking up their children pick them up on the playground. The primary students go on the Primary Yard and junior students go on the Junior Yard. Decide as a family where your pickup place will be at the end of the day prior to the school day beginning, so that students know where they are going after school.

We ask that parents refrain from picking up their children from the main office after school as the bus students need to be able to exit safely.

School Visitors

No parents or visitors will be permitted in the school building at this time. If you need to speak to a teacher or the Principal, please call the school.

If your child needs to be picked up early for appointments etc., please report to front doors and ring the bell. Ms. Blanchard would be happy to call your child down to the office for you.

Communicating with Parents

Communication between home and school is extremely important. If you have concerns or questions, please contact your child's teacher.

We have a Facebook page and frequently post information about events at school, inclement weather, bus delays and information from the school board.

Our school newsletters are available on our website each month and will be going home on Seesaw.

If Your Child is Absent

If your child is going to be absent please call the school. We have a 24hr answering machine in the office and check messages as soon as we can in the morning. If it is easier to text, please text Ms. Goodal 519-381-7215.

Whether you are calling or texting us, please leave your child's name, the name of their teacher and the reason for absence.

We are a nut aware school

Please do not send food containing nuts

Medication and Medical Conditions

If your child requires any type of medication during school time, you must fill out an Administration of Medication form. These forms are available for pick up in the office.

If your child has a medical condition that requires special emergency attention, like a severe allergy, please inform the school and we will put an Medical Emergency Plan in place.

Parent Involvement Committee

The first Parent Involvement Committee meeting is scheduled for September 22nd at 7pm and it will be an online meeting. We will be holding elections that evening for Chair and Secretary. If you or someone you know would be interested in either of these positions, please call the school and we can send a nomination form home.

Even if you are not interested in being the Chair or the Secretary you are welcome to come and join us. Our parent council is open to all families. We meet once a month for approximately thirty minutes.

If you are interested in joining, please call the school and we can provide you with the online meeting information.

Kids Plus Accident Insurance

The Board does not provide coverage to students for accidents occurring at school or during school activities (ie. athletics, field trips, etc.). Therefore, families may wish to voluntarily purchase an insurance plan to provide supplemental coverage to bridge coverage gaps, expenses not covered or partially covered by parent's employee benefits and offset the financial impact.

(Note: The most common claims are dental treatment and eyewear.). For more information please visit, www.kidsplus.ca.

School Cash Online

Parents are encouraged to pay for school events online with School Cash. Using the website: <https://lkdsb.schoolcashionline.com> parents can sign up. You will need your child's student number. This number can be found on the Registration Verification paperwork that is coming home soon.

Orange Shirt Day

Wednesday September 30th is Orange Shirt day throughout the Lambton Kent District School Board. On this day we honour the survivors of residential schools as well as the children and young people who never returned home. We will be wearing orange that day to encourage learning and understanding about the residential school system and the impacts that system has had on Indigenous Peoples.

Important Dates

September 22nd- Parent Council online 7pm
September 30th- Orange Shirt Day
October 2nd- Terry Fox Run
October 12th- Thanksgiving
November 16th - Progress Reports go home

All students must do the COVID-19 screening tool at home prior to coming to school everyday.

