



#### **WELCOME BACK BADGER FAMILIES!**

We consider it both a blessing and a tremendous privilege to be part of this wonderful school community. On behalf of the entire staff, we are excited to welcome you and your children to the 2023-2024 school year. To families joining our school community for the first time, we extend a special and warm welcome. We also extend a special greeting to our Badgers who are starting school for the first time. We will be behind them, helping to provide happy memories of their first year of school. We firmly believe that in every successful school, there exists a close working relationship between the home, the school, and the community. Together we will foster success for every student every day within a warm, inclusive, and nurturing environment. We look forward to another action-packed year filled with many memorable moments and engaging learning activities.

## WHERE YOU CAN FIND US

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#### **BADGER STAFF**

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Grade 2/3: Lauren Teft

Grade 4/5/6: Nick Lounsbury

Grade 6/7/8: Paige Harding

Alternative Learning Program:

Jen Graham and Sarah Luttrell

Learning Resource Teacher:

Erica Payne

French Language Teacher:

Robyn Vanderberg

Curriculum Partner: Natasha Singh Educational Assistants: Kayla Scott, Shari Eyre, Jeffrey Hollinger & Christina Otten Custodial Staff: Vera DeSouza, Jen Planetta

and Dan Sheehan

# UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Friday, September 15th, 2023 PD Day

Wednesday, September 20th, 2023 Welcome Back Badger BBQ

Wednesday. September 27th, 2023 School Council 6:30pm - All Welcome

Friday September 29th, 2023 Orange Shirt Day

Friday October 6th - PD Day

Thursday, October 12th - Hot Lunch Day

Friday October 27th - School Photos



# **SCHOOL COUNCIL - NEW MEMBERS WELCOME!**

The School Council aims to improve student achievement and well-being by collaborating with staff, students, families and the community. Together, we will set goals to improve the school climate and use our strengths and resources to make this school year a success for our Badgers! We welcome everyone's voice and input.

Our first official meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 27th at 6:30pm in the Learning Commons. We invite you to join us. This year, we are looking to nominate new members for Parent Council Chair, Co-Chair, Treasurer as well as general members. If you need more information, please feel free to reach out to Mohammed Ramadan or Megan Boss.



### SCHOOL DAILY SCHEDULE

9:00	Arrival
9:00 - 11:00	First Learning Block
11:00-11:40	Nutrition Break & Recess
11:40-1:20	Second Learning Block
1:20-2:00	Nutrition Break & Recess
2:00-3:20	Third Learning Block
3:20	Dismissal

# **SCHOOL BUS - ZONE 2**

Bridgeview is in Zone 2. Busing information is available on the website www.schoolbusinfo.com. Getting information is also made easier with the CLASS mobile app which provides real-time notifications to families when busses are delayed 10 minutes or greater. Subscribing to the app will send alerts regarding adverse weather conditions and cancellations. To learn more about the mobile app please visit www.mysbi.ca

# SAFE ARRIVAL POLICY-ILLNESS, LATES & ABSENCES

We are required by the Safe's School Act to connect with a parent or guardian regarding any student's whereabouts when they do not arrive at school as expected. Please call the school office if your child is absent or late at any time. We have a 24-hour answering machine so you may call any time that's convenient for you. Calls will be made to a parent's/guardian's workplace or emergency numbers if we don't hear from you in a timely way. Please help us by contacting the school before our morning bell rings. We appreciate you communicating with classroom teachers, but absences, and late, and early pick-ups are all events that must be communicated to the school office.

Families can also report absences by downloading the Safe Arrival app to their phone by going to <a href="https://go.schoolmessenger.com">https://go.schoolmessenger.com</a>.

# SCHOOL VERIFICATION FORM

The Student Verification form will be coming home next week to families. We ask that you review the information carefully to ensure our emergency contact information, phone numbers and addresses are all correct. Any changes can be noted directly on the form and returned with your child to their classroom teachers. Please check the box to receive electronic messages and ensure we have your correct email address to ensure our school communication you



## LKDSB CONCUSSION PROTOCOL

Every school in Lambton Kent District School Board has a School Concussion Protocol in place. The School Board in partnership with Lambton and Chatham-Kent Public Health recognize that a concussion is a serious injury that affects the way the brain works. If not managed well, recovery can be slow and can affect school performance in learning activities, such as school work and physical activities, like physical education class. Studies show that engaging in school work and/or physical activities, while concussed and/or suspected, can worsen symptoms and delay the student's recovery.

This protocol, developed by the Lambton Kent District School Board, will assist in the early identification of a suspected concussion and will ensure the proper steps are taken to manage the concussion symptoms. Through the efforts of school staff, parent(s)/guardian(s) and the health-care professional, the student will participate in the steps of the "Return to Learn" and the "Return to Physical Activity" plans. Based on your child's concussion symptoms, specific strategies will be used to support your child's learning and physical activity participation until fully recovered.

If your child experiences a diagnosed/suspected concussion outside school hours - such as car crash, playground fall, or sporting/recreational activity - seek immediate medical treatment. It is very important to report the suspected/diagnosed concussion to the school so we can help support your child's recovery.

What you can do now: Click on the concussion protocol link on the Bridgeview Badgers LKDSB website for more information.

# PREVALENT MEDICAL ALERTS

Some of our Badgers have severe allergies to nuts. We ask for your support in ensuring no nut products are in your children's food. Thank you in advance for helping make our school environment safe for all.

Please notify the office if your student has a prevalent medical condition (Asthma, Epilepsy, Anaphylactic to nuts or bees or has diabetes. We want to ensure your student's plan of care is up to date.

# **CONSENT FOR AUTHORIZATION OF MEDICATION**

If it is necessary for a student to take medication while at school, please have your doctor fill out the appropriate consent form that can be picked up at the office. If students do come to school with medication please have your student bring it directly to the office.

Newletters will be available by print, on our website and through email. Please ensure we have the most up to date contact information to reach you!

Thank you for your time and once again, please do not hesitate to reach out at any time. My email address is megan.boss@lkdsb.net.