

Colonel Cameron News

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Principal's Message: It is hard to believe that there are only 3 months left in the school year. Hopefully, April brings us some much-needed warmer weather and sunshine. This time of year, the field can become quite muddy. If your child does not have a pair of indoor shoes at school, it is appreciated if a pair is sent with them. Also, while this time of year brings periods of warmer weather, it can also get cold, and students might need reminders to dress for the weather.

Is your child ready for
KINDERGARTEN?
It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!

Kindergarten Registration: It was a wonderful couple of days of Kindergarten registration for next year. We saw a lot of friendly faces eager to join the Colonel Cameron family. Registration remains open on-line, and we will have two more Kinder Start Open House Days coming up:

Wednesday, April 3rd from 4:00PM -7:00PM

Wednesday, May 29th from 4:00PM -7:00PM

We look forward to meeting new Cougar families and students! Please let family and friends who have Kindergarten age students know about the registration.

Muskoka Woods: Grade 8 students will be heading to Muskoka Woods from April 22 – April 24. Please watch for final permission forms and important information that will be coming home in the next few weeks.

Dates To Remember:

April 3	.....Kinderstart (4-7 PM)
April 4	.....Foodland Lunch
April 5	.....School Climate Survey Complete
April 8	..... P.A. Day
April 11	..... Veggie Day
April 12	.....Colour House Day
April 16	.....Grade 8 students visit GLSS
April 19	.....Subway Lunch
April 22-24	.....Grade 8 Muskoka Woods Trip
April 22	.....Celebrate Earth Day
May 3	.....Sports Day (celebrate your favourite sport/team)
May 9	..... Salad Day



Colonel Cameron's Got Talent: There's a buzz in the air as students are excited about the announcement of the annual Talent Show returning to Colonel Cameron. Talent Show Auditions will be held on: April 4th, 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and last call April 15th.

****Talent Show to take place in June and we will let you know once the date and times are finalized.**



School Climate Survey: The Ontario Ministry of Education asks all school boards in Ontario to conduct an anonymous school climate survey on a regular basis so boards of education can help schools:

- Assess perceptions of safety, mental health and well-being – from students, parents and school staff;
- Make informed planning decisions about programs to help prevent bullying and promote safe and inclusive schools;
- Determine the effectiveness of their programs on an ongoing basis; and
- Build and sustain a positive school climate.
- Continue to build parent voice/participation in survey

The Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) is required to conduct a school climate survey of **students, school staff and parents/guardians** at least once every two years as each of these groups play a key role in contributing to a positive school climate. The survey will be open until Friday, April 5th. The results of these surveys will be used by our Safe Schools team, as well as by the Board. Below is the parent link to the survey. Staff and students will be completing the survey at school.

Parent/Guardian Survey
[\[Parent/Guardian Survey\]](#)



Healthy Snacks: Along with our daily healthy snack bowls in every classroom and the delicious and nutritious breakfast program provided every morning by our volunteers, we are offering another opportunity for students to appreciate and become familiar with healthy food choices. On Thursday, May 11th trays of vegetables and dip will be delivered to each room to promote alternative snack options for our students. Snack on!



Field Trips: It is that time of year when field trips are being planned for the end of the year. Please watch for permission forms to come home. It is imperative that these are signed and returned to the school as soon as possible to allow for efficient planning and preparation.



Save the Date: Colonel Cameron will be hosting a Community Night on May 15 from 4-6:30PM. We hope to see you here to share in the information and fun activities. More details will be available in the next few weeks.

School Advisory Council: Next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 8th at the school from 4-6 PM. All are welcome.

At Colonel Cameron Public School, we look forward to working with each child and family to ensure an excellent education for **Every Student, Every Day.**