

# East Lambton Elementary School

East Lambton is Bus Zone 1  
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## January 2021 Newsletter

*School Motto: Work Hard. Be Respectful. That's our Lion Pride.*

### Principal's Message:

We welcome everyone back after celebrating a festive holiday break. I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. Remote learning is not the way we had hoped to start this new year, but we are all hoping that we will be back in the building very soon. As we begin this new calendar year, we move forward with renewed energy and goal setting. Each month we focus on a new character trait. This month our character trait focus is responsibility. Responsibility is doing the things you are expected to do and accepting the consequences or results of your actions. Throughout the month, students will learn about responsibility. At the end of the month, teachers will recognize Star Students within their classroom and celebrate them with the whole school virtually.

All students will be doing remote teacher-led learning January 4-8. No face-to-face, in-person learning in school settings will occur during this week.

### Upcoming Events:

**School Council Meeting:** Our next School Council meeting is set for January 18th @ 6:30 p.m. We will meet together virtually. If you would like to join this meeting, please let the office or Martina Jackson know so that you can be added to the zoom invite.

**School Picture Day:** Individual school pictures will take place on January 22nd. Safety measures are in place to ensure that Covid protocols will be followed. Mark your calendars for the day.

**Sub Day:** Our third Sub Day of the year takes place on January 22nd. Orders can be made on School Cash Online.

**Popcorn Fundraiser:** We are selling popcorn to raise money for the purchase of a Gaga Ball Court for our school yard. Each bag is \$2.00. Purchases can only be made through School Cash Online and will be delivered to classrooms on January 29th, following all Covid safety measures.

## Reminders/Information for Parents:

**Change in Placement:** The deadline to request a change in learning program (move from face to face learning to virtual or from virtual to face to face learning) for the second term is January 12. Please call the school if you would like to make a change.

**Dressing for Winter:** Just a reminder that when we are back in the building students go outside at least three times each day, provided the wind chill is above -18C, so please ensure that your son or daughter has appropriate hats, mittens or gloves, coat and snow pants to keep them comfortable for at least 20 minutes at a time in the cold temperatures. If you need help with providing these items, please contact the school and we would be happy to help with getting these items.

**Kindergarten Registration:** Kindergarten registration for those students eligible for Junior Kindergarten in September 2021 will take place in all Lambton-Kent District School Board schools on February 4th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. and February 5th from 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Registering your child for Kindergarten is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

1. Find your school.

2. Complete the online registration form @ [www.lkdsb.net/kindergarten](http://www.lkdsb.net/kindergarten)

3. Sign-up for a visit to meet our amazing staff! Go to

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904054EABA922A2F85-kindergarten>. You can also find the Sign Up Genius link on our school website.

4. Remember to bring:

- Birth certificate or proof of Canadian Citizenship or Residency Status (if appropriate)
- Proof of residency (e.g. utility or tax bill, lease/rental agreement, etc.)
- Your child

**Incident Weather:** schoolbusinfo.com and local radio stations will communicate information regarding bus cancellations. East Lambton is in Zone1. If you have a concern regarding busing, please do not hesitate to contact Sandy at Lang's @ 519-383-1221.

## COVID-19 school and child care screening

Our students have been doing an excellent job abiding by the new procedures and restrictions due to COVID-19. The first defense against Covid-19 spread at schools begins before students/staff leave home and this screening must be done daily.

Thank you for your diligence in keeping your children home when needed. We appreciate your support in keeping our school community healthy! Please continue to screen for COVID-19 every day before going to school/childcare.

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>