



Errol Village Newsletter

June 2022



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Thank You!

As we near the end of another school year, we would like to thank each one of you for all the overwhelming support as we navigated a school year with so many unexpected events. Our students are fortunate to live in a community where everyone celebrates success and rallies around each other during tough times.

We are already looking forward to the 2022-23 school year and plans are in the works to host our traditional 'Meet the Staff' and Book Fair event in September. What a great way to get the year running in such a positive way!

The LKDSB Celebrates Pride Month

The month of June is nationally recognized as Pride Month in Canada. Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) joins school boards throughout the province in supporting the LGBTQ+ community with the display of the Pride Flag on flagpoles at all school and Board locations throughout the month of June.

This year, we will be displaying the Progress Pride Flag, an inclusive design by Daniel Quasar, which includes chevron shaped black and brown stripes to represent racialized LGBTQ+ communities, those currently living with AIDS and those who have been lost to the disease. The light blue, pink and white reflects the Transgender Pride Flag in the design.

Indigenous History Month

In June and every day, we recognize and celebrate the histories of the Chippewa, Odawa, Potawatomi and Delaware Nations known as the Anishinaabeg and the Delaware known as the Lunaapew and that these peoples inhabited these lands at the time of written treaties, these being: Treaty #2; Treaty #7; and Treaty #29. We also acknowledge the earlier Indigenous people that travelled these lands prior to 1790 in the time of the Wampum treaties.

Each of our homeroom classes have been learning about specific aspects about Indigenous history and/or culture. On the afternoon of June 16th, our students will have the opportunity to share their learning with each other. Thank you to Mrs. Bedard and Ms. Feniak for organizing this cross-grade/division learning opportunity for our students!

Before School on the Yard

Our morning supervision at the school does not begin until 8:50. Therefore, for the safety of our students, please remember that students dropped off at the school before that time do not have access to supervision.

Spring Concert

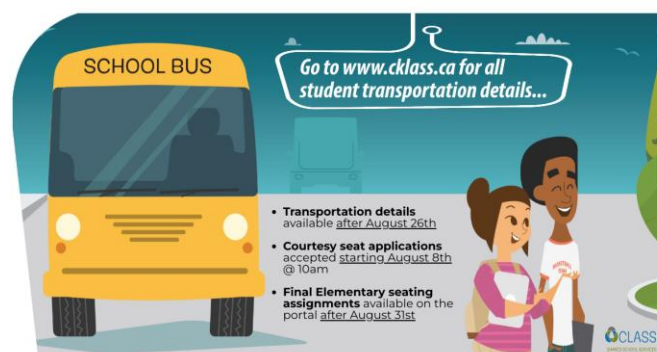
We are thrilled that all the hard work that our students in various musical groups at Errol Village will be able to be showcased at the Sarnia Library Theatre on the evening of June 27th! Families who wish to reserve seats may do so using the school's School Cash Online system. Thank you to Mrs. Cressman, Mrs. Bedard, Mrs. Jeffrey, and Mrs. Kerwin for all their work with organizing this exciting event!



Upcoming Dates

June 7	Track and Field at LCCVI – qualifiers only
June 8	Track and Field at LCCVI – qualifiers only
June 8	Kindergarten Registration Event (4 – 7 p.m.)
June 10	PD Day (no school)
June 16	Indigenous Activity Day
June 20	Track and Field (JK –grade4)
June 22	Grade 8 Graduation Evening
June 27	Spring Concert (more detail to be shared)
June 28	Report Cards Sent Home
June 28	Last day of classes
June 29	PD Day (no school)

School Bus Information for Next Year (2022-23)



You can go to www.cklass.ca for all student transportation needs.

Here are the important upcoming dates regarding bus information for next school year:

- **Transportation details** available after August 26th
- **Courtesy seat applications** accepted starting August 8th @ 10am
- **Final Elementary seating assignments** available on the portal after August 31st

Boys' Soccer

Congratulations to the Errol Village boys' soccer team on all their hard work and preparation for last week's mini-tournament. The boys ended up going undefeated and demonstrated some great 'grit' and sportsmanship throughout all the games. Thank you to Coach Maddock, Mr. Woolridge who was the convenor for the event, and Mr. Coqu for his 'behind the scenes' support.

Track and Field (grade 4-8)

Our students in grade 4 to 8 participated in our school's Track and Field Meet on May 30th. The effort that we saw was remarkable! Congratulations to those Eagles who qualified for the regional meet which is scheduled to happen on June 7th at LCCVI in Petrolia.

Track and Field (JK – grade 3)

Students in grades JK to grade 3 will have the opportunity to participate in a Track and Field event on **Monday, June 20th**.

EQAO

EQAO assesses the reading, writing and mathematics skills students are expected to have learned by the end of Grade 3 and 6.

This year students will complete the assessment using the e-assessment system. EQAO has designed the system to make EQAO assessments more flexible for schools, and to improve the experience for students. Schools can schedule the assessment sessions at any time within the assessment window. Only students attending in person will participate in the assessments. EQAO will only report outcomes on students who participate in the assessments.

This assessment window for our students in grades 3 and 6 is between Wednesday, May 4, and Friday, June 24, 2022. The new process of EQAO allows assessment tasks to be completed periodically throughout that time period.

More information, including sample tests, can be found at <https://www.eqao.com/>

Playground Equipment

Our playground equipment was recently inspected and was approved for use again. Thank you to everyone for their patience through this process. You may notice that our swings from the swing set have yet to be reinstalled. It has been shared with our school that parts are currently being secured for the swings to be put back into service.

Intramurals

We were thrilled that some intramurals returned to Errol Village! Over the past little while, the following opportunities were available to students:

- Junior Badminton – run by Mrs. Newman-Campbell
- Boys' Basketball (Gr.5/6) that was run by Mr. Coqu
- Basketball (Gr.4) run by Mrs. Giles and Mrs. Jeffrey

Report Cards

Report cards will be issued on Tuesday, June 28. If your student will not be in attendance on that day, the report cards will be mailed out unless arrangements have been made with the office.

School Council

There will be no School Council Meeting held in June. Our next meeting is scheduled **for Thursday, September 15th at 6 p.m** in our Learning Commons. All parent/guardians are always welcome to attend!

Kindergarten Registration

We continue to accept kindergarten registrations for next year. If you, or someone you know, has a child who will be four by December 31st, 2022, please contact our office. As well, our school will be hosting a registration event for families on June 8th between 4 and 7 p.m.

Hand Hygiene

Hand hygiene is explicitly taught by our staff and is very important to maintain a healthy child. Before transitioning to other activities, removal of face coverings, using learning tools, eating lunch, and using technology, etc., students are encouraged to either wash their hands at the sink or use the school-provided hand sanitizer. Signage and stations have been added to the school. Wall pumps for sanitizers have been installed throughout the school.

Here is a [helpful video](#) that we use during our morning announcements to remind us about the importance of hand hygiene.

Daily Student Absences and Telephone Usage

We have a telephone answering service, therefore if your child is or will be absent, please call the school and leave a message. This assists us as we need to contact the parents of all absent students as part of our Safe Arrival Policy each day. The answering service can be accessed 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

To decrease the amount of office/class interruptions and phone calls home for students, we request that students take time at home to ensure they have what they need to be adequately prepared for classes. Lunches, books, projects, supplies, etc. should accompany the students when they leave for school each day. We do appreciate your cooperation and support in preparing your child(ren) to become responsible citizen

End of Day Dismissal

When alternate arrangements are made by families for dismissal times, we please ask that you notify the office. This will ensure that the message is communicated so staff and students are aware of the change.

Bus Students/Inclement Weather

The Board's Transportation Department has placed schools in geographic zones. **Errol Village Public School is located in ZONE 1. However, we do have buses running in Zones 1 & 4.** Please visit www.cklass.ca/services/student-transportation/ for updated information. When listening for cancellation of buses for fog/snow the zones will be announced for our students.

School Cash Online

The Errol Village School community has done a tremendous job in registering and using School Cash Online.

School Cash Online is a convenient, web-based solution that gives parents the ability to pay for student items online.

Parents/guardians can connect multiple students to their account; multiple parents/guardians can be connected to individual students. School staff will add items for your child for payment and indicate whether the item is optional or required. Parents will receive a notification when a new item has been added.

To set up an account and learn more, please contact Ms. Boersma. Additional information can be found at <https://lkdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>



Host an International Student

If you've ever considered hosting an international student in your home, now is the time to apply! International high-school students (strictly following government travel requirements and health & safety protocols) from Austria, Belgium, China, Colombia, Germany, Spain, Switzerland, and Taiwan are excited to come to the Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) for our great education programs and dynamic outdoor life.

Homestay host families are needed URGENTLY for academic-year placements across the LKDSB, particularly in Sarnia and Chatham. Hosts receive a generous allowance to offset expenses, 24/7 support, and special health and safety training.

When you host international students your family benefits with lifelong friendships, global awareness, and stronger interpersonal skills. Children in families who host international students learn to meet inter-cultural challenges with open minds and learn to advocate for people who may be vulnerable.

If you have questions about the hosting experience, please contact the Canada Homestay Network at hostinfo@canadahomestaynetwork.ca or 1-877-441-4443 ext. 2176. To learn more and apply, visit <https://whyihost.canadahomestaynetwork.ca>.