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# **APRIL 2024**

# WHERE TO FIND US:

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Facebook: London Road Public School

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School Website: http://londonroad.lkdsb.net Inclement Weather and Bus Zone: Zone 2

## **PA DAY CHANGE:**

The PA Day originally scheduled for Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> has been moved to **Monday**, **April 8<sup>th</sup>**. There will be no school for students on this day. This is also the day of the solar eclipse. For information regarding the solar eclipse, please visit:

Solar Eclipse Safety - Lambton Public Health

Solar Eclipse Safety | The Canadian Association of Optometrists

2024 Total Eclipse - NASA Science

The best places in Canada to see the 2024 total solar eclipse | Space

#### **VISITOR PROCEDURE:**

This was shared last month, and we appreciate the efforts of all to help make our school an inviting and safe place to learn and work. The following is a reminder of the procedures that we want to reiterate:

- 1) ALL visitors must enter via the main doors.
- ALL visitors, including parents, are to sign in at the office and MUST wear a visitor badge if they are traveling outside of the office while in the building.
- All visitors, including parents, will not be allowed down the hallways or into other areas of the school without an appointment or permission from the office.
- 4) Kindergarten students may begin to be dismissed at 3:05pm at the earliest unless arrangements have been made at the office. All other dismissals must wait for the bell to ring, including those that are having phys. ed. with their class outside.
- 5) Parents must pick up their children from the designated door outside of the building at the end of the day unless prior arrangements have been made with the office. Those who are late must come to the office via our front doors to pick up their children.

# **KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:**

If you have a child who will be eligible for Junior Kindergarten in September 2024 (born in 2020) or are aware of anyone who might be interested in registering their child, please let them know that registrations are now being accepted online. We will also be hosting our next Kindergarten Registration Open Houses on the evening of <a href="Wednesday">Wednesday</a>, April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4:00-7:00pm. We would love to see our newest Lynx visit the school at these times. This is also the procedure for those Senior Kindergarten students (born in 2019) who did not attend Junior Kindergarten this year. Eligible students must be 4 or 5 years old by December 31, 2024.

# Registering for Kindergarten is as easy as 1, 2, 3.

- 1. Find your school.
- 2. Complete the online registration form @ http://www.lkdsb.net/kindergarten in advance.
- 3. Come and meet our caring staff. 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)
- Your child

### **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 the survey.

The Lambton Kent District School Board is required to conduct a school climate survey of students, school staff and parents at least once every two years as they all play a key role in contributing to a positive school climate. *We are requesting that you, as a* 

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parent/guardian of LKDSB student(s) <u>click here</u> or the <u>Lambton Kent District School website</u> and follow the School Climate Survey link to help us build and sustain a positive school climate within your school community.

Please note that the results of these surveys will be used by our Safe Schools Team, as well as by the Lambton Kent District School Board, and all feedback collected will remain anonymous and confidential.

#### **PLAYGROUND:**

The playground is now re-opened. Following winter closure, the playground must be inspected yearly and the sand below it must be turned before re-opening it. This is now completed, and the playground is open!

#### **NEW STAFF:**

A big Lynx welcome to Ms. Lozon who is now fulfilling the role of Early Childhood Educator in Mrs. Wilson's kindergarten class. Welcome to the Lynx! Thank you to Ms. Bansey for filling in recently for a short period.

# **COMMUNITY FUN & ACTIVITIES:**

Attached to this newsletter are some flyers that we are able to distribute regarding upcoming activities, clubs, sports, etc.

# **PARENT COUNCIL:**

Our next Parent Council meeting will be on Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the library. New parents/guardians are always welcome! At this meeting, we will be further discussing details and arrangements for our **June Fun Fair on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm**. If you are interested in helping during the Fun Fair, feel free to join us or notify the office. Please call the office for more details.

## **NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK (April 14-20):**

The old adage, "It takes a village to raise a child," rings very true at London Road P.S. In total, we have more volunteers at London Road P.S. than we have staff! From supporting our Snack Program to reading with students to supporting special days in the classroom to the phenomenal efforts of our Parent Council to helping in our library ... the list could go on and on ... our Lynx are very lucky to have so many caring adults in their

lives. During this special week of the year, please thank a volunteer. We are organizing a Volunteer Tea in the library on Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 2-3pm to show our appreciation. Thank you, volunteers, for the tremendous work you do for our school and for our students.

