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MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

As we head into the final stretch of the school year and the weather continues to improve, we have to constantly remind ourselves that there are still three months of school left, and busy months they are! The staff is providing many exciting opportunities for students to enrich their school experience through events such as extra-curricular activities, class trips and activities. Our focus continues to be on student achievement and creating lessons and activities that provide opportunities for our students to communicate and collaborate, be creative, solve problems, and think critically. As always, we encourage you to talk to your child(ren) about school and the things he/she is learning and maintain open lines of communication.

Our monthly newsletter and calendar is now available by email! If you'd like to have them sent to you hot off the presses, scan this QR code and enter your contact information, or visit <http://eepurl.com/gmy7xX> to sign up. We'll still post the calendar and newsletter to our Facebook page at the start of each month, but hope that you find this service useful for your family.



PARENT COUNCIL

Our next Parent Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 16th @ 5:30 p.m. The meeting will take place in our school Learning Commons. All parents are welcome to attend.

DID YOU MISS KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION?

Please give us a call or stop by the office during the school day to get all set up.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Keep up-to-date With Facebook, Instagram and Twitter!

Ongoing updates are posted on the P.E. McGibbon Facebook page. Please like and visit: [facebook.com/pemcgibbon](https://www.facebook.com/pemcgibbon) to see all the learning, events, newsletters, pizza day forms, and more.

The more posts that you 'like', the more you will see in your 'feed'. You can also find us on Instagram and Twitter.

2019 SCHOOL CLIMATE SURVEY-STUDENTS IN GRADES 4-8

The Lambton Kent District School Board is conducting a School Climate Survey from April 1-12, 2019 to gather input from students in Grades 4-12, parents/guardians and staff to help with planning programs and decision-making related to supporting safe and inclusive school environments. The Ministry of Education requires all school boards to conduct school climate surveys of students, school staff and parents at least every two years, as they all play a key role in contributing to a positive school climate.

The LKDSB surveys were developed with input from students, parents/guardians; school and Board administration, including Mental Health, Safe Schools and Indigenous Education representatives, and Chatham-Kent Public Health and Lambton Public Health. The responses will be anonymous and individualized results will be kept confidential; however, aggregated school and Board responses will be shared publicly (except in cases where individuals may be identified). It is expected the survey results will be publicly available in Fall 2019.

More information about the School Climate Survey is available here: www.lkdsb.net/survey

SAFETY SIGNING STUDENTS IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL

All parents/visitors must report to the office and sign in as they enter the school. If it is necessary for you to pick up your child during the school day, you are required to check in at the office. Our office staff would be happy to contact your child's classroom and have your child meet you at the office. Please do not proceed down the corridors for safety reasons. All students must sign out at the office when being picked up early from school and sign in when dropped off late, this pertains to the entire school day hours (8:50—3:10). Please remember that we are only ensuring the safety of all our students.

EDUCATION WEEK

Education Week will take place during the week of May 6-10. It is an annual event celebrated by school boards and schools across the province. It is a time for students, teachers and parents to celebrate teaching excellence and student achievement.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

As we continue to work with students on appropriate behaviour and character development, our focus is based on the four agreements of TRIBES and the LKDSB Character Attributes. April is "INQUISITIVE" month at P.E. McGibbon. Our Terrific Kids assemblies are scheduled for Friday May 3rd.

FDK-Gr. 3 @ 9:30AM

Gr. 4 - Gr. 8 @ 10:15AM

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

There will be no school on Friday April 5, 2019.

EASTER WEEKEND

There will be no school on Friday April 19, 2019 and Monday April 22, 2019.

PARKING & DROP-OFF

Please be aware of parking signage and our neighbours. Thank you!

We wish students and families an enjoyable and relaxing Easter Weekend.

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