

# Victor Lauriston PS

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## Dear Families

We cannot believe we are coming up on the last month of the school year!! Despite all of the challenges, we are so grateful that we have been together face-to-face this year as a school family (with only a brief couple of weeks where we had to pivot to virtual learning). Thank you to our parents, guardians, and family members for your support and involvement. Thank you to our staff and students who have worked so hard this year to make our face-to-face learning experiences as memorable as possible.

After working for 5.5 years with many amazing students, parents, and staff members, Ms. Vander Pol will be moving to a new school in September. She will be returning as the principal to the school she attended as a student and is very excited for this new opportunity to learn and grow. She is very thankful for the relationships which were built at Victor Lauriston and hope that everyone has a very enjoyable summer.

Mr. Eryn Smit is the principal who will be joining Victor Lauriston in the fall. He has been working at a school in Sarnia for the last four years and looks forward to meeting and getting to know the students, parents, and staff. Mr. Smit has been to the school for one visit and will be having another visit before the end of the school year, so many students and some parents will have the chance to meet him ahead of the new school year in September. Best of luck to Ms. Vander Pol and a warm Lion's welcome to Mr. Smit.



## Upcoming Events

### June 7

Area Track and Field

### June 10

P.A. Day

### June 28

Report Cards Go Home

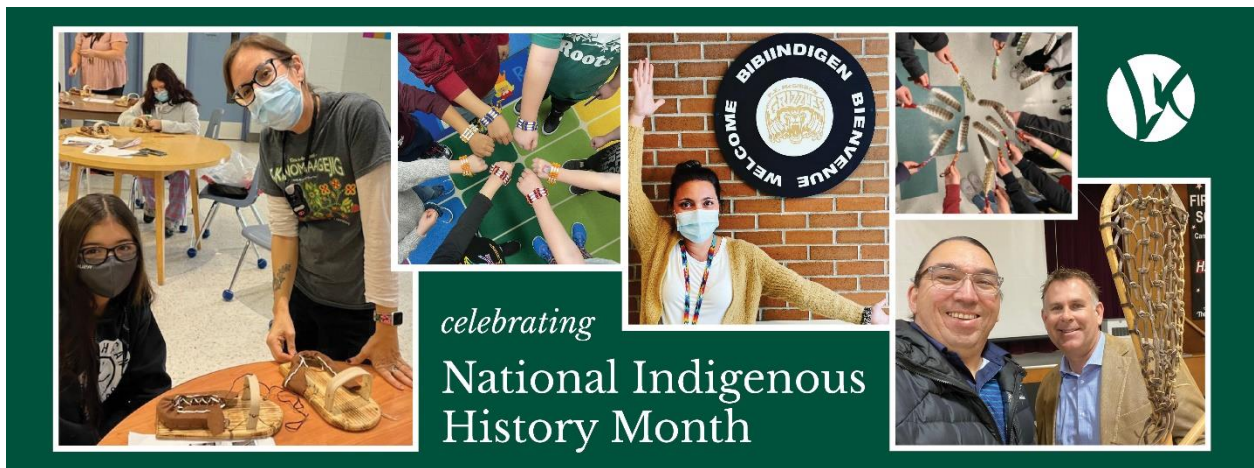
### June 28

Last day of School

## National Indigenous History Month

June is National Indigenous History Month. A time for all Canadians to reflect upon and learn the history, sacrifices, cultures, contributions and strengths of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis people.

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## Field Trips

It's been a long time since staff and students have been able to board a bus and go on a June field trip with their class to learn and also to celebrate the end of the school year. Trips have been planned for all classrooms. Each homeroom teacher has sent home information regarding class specific trips. As a reminder, many of these trips are outdoors, so please pack water and sunblock for your students.

## KinderSTART

On June 8<sup>th</sup>, we will be hosting our 3<sup>rd</sup> and final evening for our new students arriving this September from 4-7pm. Weather permitting, this will be an outdoor event held in the FDK play area of our school. There is also still time to register a new student if this has not been done already. Click the link below if you need to register:

[https://www.lkdsb.net/Elementary/Registration/Pages/default.aspx?gclid=EAlalQobChMI5N-8ovKJ-AIVNRitBh37BwmzEAAYASAAEglWypD\\_BwE#/=](https://www.lkdsb.net/Elementary/Registration/Pages/default.aspx?gclid=EAlalQobChMI5N-8ovKJ-AIVNRitBh37BwmzEAAYASAAEglWypD_BwE#/=)

## Riding Your Bike to School

Bikes must be walked on school premises and locked in the bicycle racks, located in the back playground. The school cannot assume responsibility for loss or damage to bicycles, rollerblades, scooters, or skateboards, etc. Rollerblades must be removed and skateboards and scooters carried when students reach the school property. Helmets and safety gear should be worn. Once you arrive on school grounds with your bike, please get off your bike and walk the bike to the rack and lock it up safely.



## Appropriate School Attire

With the summer weather upon us, we wanted to remind about appropriate school attire. Clothing shall be of a style and fit appropriate for school as determined by school staff. Students are expected to wear tops that cover the abdomen, and the back and shoulders. Summer tops should be the width of three fingers across the shoulders.

Shorts or skirts should be of such a length that when the arms and hands are extended down the sides of the body the bottom of the skirt/shorts should at least be the length of the extended finger tips.

## EQAO

As shared last month, students in Grade 3 and Grade 6 will be taking part in the provincial Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics. This assessment is administered to all Grade 3 and Grade 6 students in Ontario's publicly funded school system by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), an independent agency of the Government of Ontario. EQAO assessment questions are directly based on the expectations set out in The Ontario Curriculum, which is what teachers teach in the classroom every day. Our Grade 6 students have completed their EQAO assessments in May, and our Grade 3 students will be completing their assessments this week.

## Term 2 Reports

Report cards will go home with students in JK to Grade 8 on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>, which happens to also be the last day of school for students.

The letter designation on the first page of the report card directly relate to learning skills. The marks on page 2 and 3 relate to the academic subjects in which the student has achieved marks.

The marks and learning skills reflect achievement and habits developed and displayed during the second term.

## Student Belongings Lost and Found

We will be laying out all lost and found items in the coming week of so for students to look through and hopefully find and take home any lost articles of clothing. Please remind your child(ren) to have a look through the tables of lost items beginning on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup>.

## Pride Month

The month of June is nationally recognized as Pride Month in Canada. In accordance with the Ministry of Education's commitment to student achievement and well-being, the Lambton Kent District School Board is joining school boards throughout the province in supporting the LGBTQ+ community with the display of the Pride flag. Moving forward, LKDSB schools and education centres will display the rainbow flag during the month of June.

## Kids Help Line

The Kids Help Phone is available 24/7 for students who need immediate support. To contact Kids Help Phone call: 1-800-668-6868 or visit [www.kidshelpphone.ca](http://www.kidshelpphone.ca)

## Technology

Whether using technology at home, or in school, students and parents should review the Responsible use of Technology guidelines to ensure that students are aware of their responsibilities when using the school-provided devices. [These guidelines can be found here.](#)

## Grade 8 Graduation

Grade 8 graduation will be held on **Thursday, June 23rd, 2022**. This event will be held at the Links of Kent. More details will be shared at a future date with our graduating students.

Grade 8 students are able to start accumulating their volunteer hours for the OSSD starting on July 1, 2022, respecting all COVID restrictions and limitations at this time.

## School Council

The School Council (SC) needs your help! The SC is looking for new members to join for the next school year. We meet once a month and discuss ways to support and connect families to our school community. We support school activities and educational endeavors both in person, when possible, and through our parent fundraising. It's a wonderful way to be involved and join in your student(s)' school community. If you'd like to give it a try, and we really hope you do, please contact school administration. Contact information can be found [here](#).

## School Bus Information

As families prepare for the upcoming school year, bus transportation is always a big piece of that preparation for many families. Transportation Services has requested that we include the graphic found to the right in our newsletter, so families are aware of this year's key bussing planning dates. If you have any questions around these dates, please reach out to C.L.A.S.S. Transportation and they will be able to help you with accurate, detailed information.

**SCHOOL BUS**

Go to [www.cklass.ca](http://www.cklass.ca) for all student transportation details...

- **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

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SHARED SCHOOL SERVICES



## Summer Engagement Camp



**LKDSB**  
**SUMMER**  
**ENGAGEMENT CAMP**

Programming is offered Monday - Thursday  
Beginning July 4, 2022

**CREATIVE AND FUN ACTIVITIES WITH NO COST OR REGISTRATION**  
Outdoor games, treasure hunt, storytelling,  
arts & crafts, interactive games, etc.

**KENT COUNTY**



**SCAN ME**

**LAMBTON COUNTY**



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TO VIEW THE SCHEDULE,  
USE YOUR PHONE'S CAMERA  
TO SCAN THE QR CODE OR CLICK THE ICON

ADULTS ARE ASKED TO STAY AND PARTICIPATE IN FAMILY CHAT DURING THE  
DURATION OF THE ACTIVITIES !

# KENT COUNTY JULY 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
4 <b>AM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS <b>PM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham	5 <b>AM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS <b>PM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS	6 <b>AM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham <b>PM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS	7 <b>AM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS <b>PM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS
11 <b>AM</b> - HW Burgess <b>PM</b> - Victor Lauriston <b>Full Day</b> - Harwich Raleigh PS	12 <b>AM</b> - Tilbury PS <b>PM</b> - Wheatley PS <b>Full Day</b> - Wallaceburg DSS	13 <b>AM</b> - Victor Lauriston + Ridgetown High School <b>PM</b> - HW Burgess + Blenheim High School	14 <b>AM</b> - Wheatley PS + Blenheim High School <b>PM</b> - Tilbury PS + Ridgetown High School
18 <b>AM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS <b>PM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham	19 <b>AM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS <b>PM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS	20 <b>AM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham <b>PM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS	21 <b>AM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS <b>PM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS
25 <b>AM</b> - HW Burgess <b>PM</b> - Victor Lauriston <b>Full Day</b> - Harwich Raleigh PS	26 <b>AM</b> - Tilbury PS <b>PM</b> - Wheatley PS <b>Full Day</b> - Wallaceburg DSS	27 <b>AM</b> - Victor Lauriston + Ridgetown High School <b>PM</b> - HW Burgess + Blenheim High School	28 <b>AM</b> - Wheatley PS + Blenheim High School <b>PM</b> - Tilbury PS + Ridgetown High School

# KENT COUNTY AUGUST 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
1 Civic Holiday 	2 <b>AM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS <b>PM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS	3 <b>AM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham <b>PM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS	4 <b>AM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS <b>PM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS
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15 <b>AM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS <b>PM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham	16 <b>AM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS <b>PM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS	17 <b>AM</b> - LKCS + Queen Elizabeth II Chatham <b>PM</b> - Dawn Euphemia + Gregory Drive PS	18 <b>AM</b> - Zone Central School + King George PS <b>PM</b> - Naahii Ridge PS + Tecumseh PS
22 <b>AM</b> - HW Burgess <b>PM</b> - Victor Lauriston <b>Full Day</b> - Harwich Raleigh PS	23 <b>AM</b> - Tilbury PS <b>PM</b> - Wheatley PS <b>Full Day</b> - Wallaceburg DSS	24 <b>AM</b> - Victor Lauriston + Ridgetown High School <b>PM</b> - HW Burgess + Blenheim High School	25 <b>AM</b> - Wheatley PS + Blenheim High School <b>PM</b> - Tilbury PS + Ridgetown High School