PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

June is a month filled with emotions and excitement. Emotions because students and their families are embracing change: new teachers, graduation and transitioning to high school or preparing to send their baby to Yr. 1 in September. Excitement is wrapped around these emotions because summer holidays means fun and time away from their studies.

Vincent Massey Public School recognizes that not all of our students and families find that these changes are positive. Some feel more anxious and have uncertainty when it comes to summer holidays. If you are finding that you are in need of support for your child(ren) in coping with these inevitable changes, please contact the school and we will support you and your family.

Finally, I am thrilled to be back at VMPS for another year. We have some exciting plans for the upcoming year that we hope will speak
to all of our students and families. Please stay tuned for our September newsletter to hear more. Wishing you and your family a warm, fun and relaxing summer and see you back here in September.

Wishing for sunny days!

Nicholas Shea
Principal

**Good Byes and Hellos**

**ARE YOU MOVING?**

Will you be moving over the summer? Please contact the office if your child/ren will not be attending Vincent Massey in September.

**Class Lists Update…**

We are working over the next few weeks to develop our class lists for next year. As usual, this is a complex process that involves the whole teaching staff and takes into account our students’ needs in a variety of areas. These include:

- General Learning Needs
- IEP Learning Needs
- Mental Health Needs
- Behavioural needs
- Socializing needs (making sure students have friends in their class)

**Plans for September**

As of June 1, our teacher complement looks like:

**Year 1 and 2 (JK/SK)**
Ms. Watson with Melissa Topper

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Mrs. Hicks and Mrs. Fedorowich

Gr. 1 & 2 Ms. MacDonald
Gr. 1 & 2 Mr. Nugent
Gr. 2 & 3 Ms. Iacobelli
Gr. 3 & 4 Mrs. Michaud
Gr. 4 Mr. Bridal
Gr. 5 Ms. Smith
Gr. 5 & 6 Mr. Kolar
Gr. 6 Mr. Woodman
Gr. 7 Mr. Walters
Gr. 7 Ms. Bond
Gr. 7 & 8 Mr. Hall
Gr. 8 Mrs. Crawford
Planning - Mr. Bongard
Library/Reading Recovery/SERT – Ms. T. Bond
Junior French/Planning-Mme. Baxter
Intermediate French Mme. Nowry
Special Education Resource Teacher Ms. deVries
Support Staff- Not finalized yet
Secretary - Mrs. Fallis
Head Custodian - Mr. Heaslip
Night Custodian - Mr. Beech
Principal- Mr. Shea

**Schedule Change for 2019-2020**

8:15 Supervision Begins
8:30 – 10:30 120 minutes instructional time
10:30-11:10 40 minutes nutrition/outdoor
11:10-12:40 90 minutes instructional time
12:40-1:20 40 minutes nutrition/outdoor
1:20-2:50 90 minutes instructional time
2:50 Dismissal
**From the Band:**

The Intermediate Band will be going to Canada’s Wonderland to perform at the Music Festival there on Tuesday, June 11, 2019.

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**Student Supply List**

We have received numerous questions from parents as to what would be suitable for students to bring to school in September. We have compiled the following items as we realized that there are often sales before September.

- 1 box of pencils
- 1 box of pencil crayons
- 1 box of markers
- Erasers
- 30 cm plastic ruler
- Safety scissors
- Pencil case
- Lined and graph paper (grades 5 – 8)
- Math set and calculator (grades 6 - 8)

Students also require indoor running shoes.

**Their Opportunity “Dimes 4 Times”**

We would like to thank “Their Opportunity” for supporting a couple of our students financially and allowing them to participate in an organized sport.

**Bowmanville Lions Club**

Thank you to the Bowmanville Lions Club who have provided us with some financial assistance. This support is allowing one of our students to attend a specialized program to assist with anxiety/depression.

**SPRING FLING**

This is a reminder that Wednesday June 5th is our Spring Fling. 4:30-6:30. We would like to thank the volunteers who have worked so hard to make this event happen.

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**Ultimate Frisbee 2019**

The Intermediate Ultimate Team will be competing at Clarington Fields on Monday June 10th.

The Junior Ultimate Team will be competing on Tuesday June 11th.

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**Transition Activities on Report Card Day:**

Report cards for our JK to Grade 7 students will go home on June 27th with next year’s tentative placement on them. Please be aware that while we will try to avoid it, your child’s placement may be changed in the event of a change in enrolment or reorganization of classes. On the 27th, we will have students visit with their new teacher for next year for a period. This will allow them to see who will be in their class next year and meet their teacher if they don’t already know him/her.