

James Morden September 2018



Welcome back James Morden families! We hope everyone had a safe and happy summer. We are looking forward to an exciting school year filled with new opportunities and fun with education! We have some new staff members this year and a few new students as well. We would like to welcome Mrs. Gienow (7/8), Mr. Thompson (7/8), Mrs. Cerminara (4/5), Mme. Fulton (French), Mrs. Vaughan (Prep) and Mrs. Whalen (ECE) to our Mustang family!

AGENDAS

Agendas will be handed out to all students on Tuesday, September 4th. Agendas cost \$5 and money is due by Friday, Sept 21st. You can either send in cash or pay though School Cash On-line.

CHARACTER TRAIT

September's focus is on **RESPECT**. For James Morden students, respect means to admire (someone or something) deeply, as a result of their abilities, qualities, or achievements . We look forward to celebrating students who demonstrate **RESPECT** at the **Mustang Assembly** on **Friday, Sept 28th at 9:30 am**.

MILK DELIVERY

Our Milk program will start on September 17th. White or chocolate milk will be available for every day of the week at a cost of \$0.75 per carton. You will be able to purchase milk for the month either by school cash on-line or you or your child can pick up a form outside of the main office. Please note **LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club will run every morning from 8:15 to 8:45 beginning on Sept. 17th. All students are welcome!

EARLY RELEASE DAY

September 14th students will be released from school at 12:00? Please make sure that you have made arrangements for your children's pick up/after school care.

ATTENDANCE

Thank you to all our parents who regularly call in their children's absences. Please remember if your child is going to be absent or late you need to notify the office. **This applies even on days when transportation is cancelled but the school remains open.** Please call 905-358-5011 to report. Voicemail messages can be left 24 hours a day.

Highlights and Dates to Remember:

- ◆ **Mustang Awards Assembly:** Sept. 28th, 9:30 A.M.
- ◆ **All first day forms** to be handed in by **Friday , Sept. 7th**
- ◆ **EARLY RELEASE:** **September 14th , 12:00 P.M.**
- ◆ **Milk Delivery** begins Sept. 17th– Order due Sept. 12th.
- ◆ **Breakfast club** starts Sept. 17th.
- ◆ **Meet the Teacher** Open House Sept. 20th.
- ◆ **Sept. 26th is Rowans Law Day– Wear Purple.**
- ◆ **Orange Shirt Day– Oct. 1st**
- ◆ **PA Day Oct. 5th and Thanksgiving day Oct. 8th. (NO SCHOOL)**



MEET THE TEACHER OPEN HOUSE

Please join us on Thursday Sept. 20th, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. for a quick meet and greet and a slice of pizza (an order form will follow). This is not a parent teacher interview. If for any reason you can not make it or would like to meet with the teacher for a one on one please make an appointment to do so.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone!

Calling all parents & caregivers

IT'S TIME TO SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

4pm to 8:15pm at Eden High School

535 Lake Street, St. Catharines

Join us for an evening of learning & FREE workshops!

Mark your calendar for the 2018 DSBN Parent Involvement Conference, at Eden High School in St. Catharines. Join us for an evening of free workshops for parents and caregivers of DSBN students of all ages.

For more information about the event visit www.dsbn.org/pic



Early Bird Draw!

Register before October 3, 2018
and you could **WIN \$500 of support**
for your School and School Council!



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2018

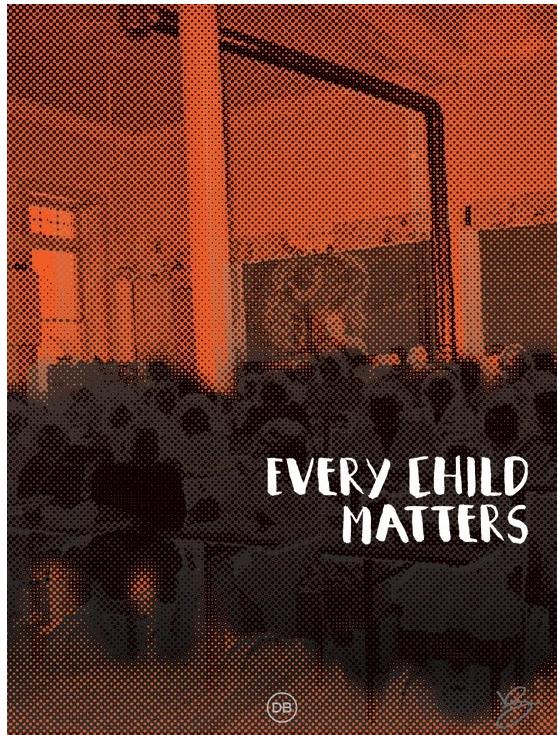


On September 26, Rowan's Law Day will be observed by our school. This is a day to increase awareness about the danger of concussions, and to positively promote injury prevention.

Rowan's Law was created after Rowan Stringer, a 17-year old student died after sustaining two concussions. Because she did not tell anyone about her injuries or how she was feeling with her family, coaches, or friends her concussions went untreated.

By observing Rowan's Law Day each year and educating our school community about concussions, we hope to promote a culture of safety at our school.

Purple was Rowan's favourite colour, so we are asking students to wear purple to school on September 26 – it could be a purple shirt, socks, a ribbon – something to represent Rowan.



ORANGE SHIRT DAY

On Monday October 1st, please wear an Orange shirt to show support for our First Nations.

Orange Shirt Day is a legacy of the St. Joseph Mission (SJM) residential school commemoration event held in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013. It grew out of Phyllis' story of having her shiny new orange shirt taken away on her first day of school at the Mission, and it has become an opportunity to keep the discussion on all aspects of residential schools happening annually.

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September is a tricky month when it comes to weather. May we suggest layers? Please pack an extra change of clothes for your child that would be appropriate for the weather that day. Also, apply sun screen on warm and sunny days as the children will be outside during breaks. An extra pair of runners is a good idea incase shoes get wet on rainy days.



PARKING

A reminder, that the right lane in front of the school is reserved for buses and taxis. If you require parking, Caledonia St., Douglas Dr., and Adams St. are all good alternatives, if the parking lot is full. Please remember that you are at risk of being towed from the plaza parking lot next door as it is a private lot.



James Morden Breakfast Club

**Breakfast club will start up on:
Sept 18th**

Join us daily between 8:15-8:45am
Start the day off right with a wholesome meal.

All students welcome!



BINGO

Every year, the school raises money through BINGO that pays for a variety of things for students (eg. almost all bus costs for field trips, presentations to the school, uniforms, etc.).

WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP

If you are available to volunteer, even just one afternoon, it would be extremely helpful for our school community.

If you are available or interested in finding out more, please contact the office at 905-358-5011. There are upcoming 1 hour training sessions at the Gale Centre . Please inquire at the office.

OUR STUDENTS THANK YOU!



Head Lice Information for Parents

Anyone can get head lice. It has nothing to do with clean or dirty hair, or the cleanliness of your home. Head lice do not spread disease but can cause a lot of frustration.

You may notice signs that your child might have head lice such as itching, complaining of a tickling feeling in the hair or sores on the scalp due to scratching.

Or, you may get a call from school letting you know that your child has been checked and has head lice.



How to Check for Head Lice:

Lice are tiny grey/brown insects that crawl quickly but cannot jump or fly. Finding them can be difficult, and you might only find eggs glued to the hair shaft.

Use a bright light and look for lice at forehead, crown, around ears, and nape of the neck.

The **best way to check for head lice** is to look for them in hair that has been soaked with conditioner. If there are head lice, the conditioner will slow them down making them easier to find. This is called the wet combing method.

If you find lice:

- Check all the people that live in your house, including yourself
- Tell those that have been in contact with your child such as relatives and babysitters so that they can be checked for lice
- **Inform the school so that classmates can be checked**

Treatment Options:

- Only treat those who have live head lice. Everyone in the home with lice needs to be treated at the same time or the lice will spread back from an untreated person.
- If you have already used a head lice product in the last few days, speak to your doctor, nurse or pharmacist about what to do next.

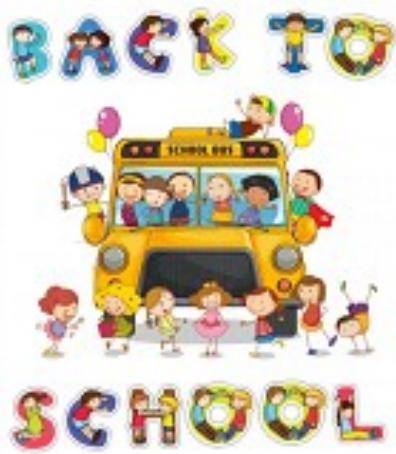
Wet Combing:

1. Seat your child near a sink with good lighting. Cover his or her shoulders with a towel.
2. Soak hair in conditioner and use a wide-tooth comb to untangle hair
3. Divide hair into small sections. Use hair clips to keep hair in sections
4. Using a lice comb (available at a pharmacy), place the comb at the scalp and comb through the same section of hair several times
5. Rinse the comb in the sink and repeat until all hair has been combed

Repeat the wet combing method every four days for two weeks to break the cycle of head lice.

Cleaning:

- Wash clothes, towels, bedding used in the last three days in hot, soapy water. Dry at high temperature for 15 minutes.
- Soak combs and brushes in hot, soapy water for 10-20 minutes
- **Clean your home - vacuum carpets, furniture and car seats. Sprays are not necessary.**



SEPTEMBER 2018

Welcome Back!



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