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HOLIDAY NEWSLETTER 2020

Don't cry because it's over. Smile because it happened. - Dr. Seuss

Message from the Administrative Team

Hello to our Central Families,

We write this message to you with a mix of emotions, as our administrative assistant, Mrs. Wilson, has decided to retire. Mrs. Wilson has graced the office at Central for 32 years! She began her career with the TVDSB 42 years ago, spending over three decades of that time supporting Central families. She was always ready with a bandaid, an extra pair of mittens, a tissue, or a kind word for anyone in need.

Mrs. Wilson has been a friend and mentor to thousands who have walked through the office doors. It was a very tough decision for Mrs. Wilson, but we know she is looking forward to spending more time with her family and pursuing her passion in the garden.

We all love you Mrs. Wilson, and will miss you dearly.

L. James, Principal



J. Shushkewich, Vice Principal

TVDSB Student Health Agreement

We have had many new students join the Central family this Fall, and many have arrived from school boards other than TVDSB. In order to support the health and well-being of our Thames Valley community members, we are requiring all parents and guardians with children attending one of our schools in-person this year to complete a Student Health Agreement as soon as possible. This agreement outlines important steps that need to be taken by all of our families in order to reduce the transmission of COVID-19. The Agreement is now posted on the Parent Portal (www.tvdsb.ca/parentportal). Paper copies are also available to complete and return to the school.

One important component outlined in the agreement involves committing to monitoring your children's health each day before riding school transportation or arriving at school. If parents and guardians answer "yes" to any of the screening questions, they must not send their child on school transportation or to school and must contact their family health care provider and/or their local health unit for further instructions. Please use the most up-to-date version of the province's screening tool, found online at: covid-19.ontario.ca.

Another critical part of the agreement is that families **MUST** have a plan in place to have their child picked up right away if their child exhibits symptoms at school.

If you have any questions about the Student Health Agreement please contact the school at 519-537-5362. Thank you very much.

Connect with Central!

There are many ways to communicate with us:

- email l.james@tvdsb.ca OR j.shushkewich@tvdsb.ca OR centralsenior@tvdsb.ca OR your child's teacher
- connect with teachers through your child's digital learning platform (Google Classroom or Brightspace)
- follow us on Twitter @central_public
- follow us on Facebook @CentralPrincipal
- call the school 519-537-5362

We look forward to hearing from you!

Tobacco, Cannabis and Smoke-Free Environment:

Students, staff and visitors are prohibited from smoking or vaping on school board property and within 20 metres from any point of the perimeter of any school board property. This includes the smoking or holding of lighted tobacco or cannabis (marijuana), and includes a ban on the use of e-cigarettes and electronic smoking devices. Students and staff that have a legal medical document authorizing them to use medical cannabis will be able to do so on school board property, but only in a non-smoking or non-vaping form (e.g., capsules, edibles and oils). Students, staff and visitors are also prohibited from using shisha, smokeless tobacco and/or cannabis products (unless medically prescribed) and all related accessories. This code of conduct is in effect 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, and on school buses, or during any part of an official school field trip, including athletic team trips and school club excursions.

Failure to comply with this code of conduct may result in internal student discipline (e.g., warning, notification to parents/guardians, withdrawal of privilege, suspension, etc.) and/or charges and fines issued by an Officer of a Provincial Enforcement Agency.

2021 Kindergarten Registration Information

Kindergarten registration for Fall 2021 will take place during the period of Monday, January 18th to Friday, February 5th, 2021. Parents are asked to complete the online pre-registration form (find it at www.tvdsb.ca under the “Parents” then “Kindergarten Program” tabs.) You will receive an email once this online pre-registration is complete; please print the completed form and bring it to Central to complete the registration process. The email will also tell you the documentation to bring with you when you come to the school.





*The staff of Central Public School wish you
a safe, peaceful, joy-filled winter break.*

See you on Monday, January 4, 2021!