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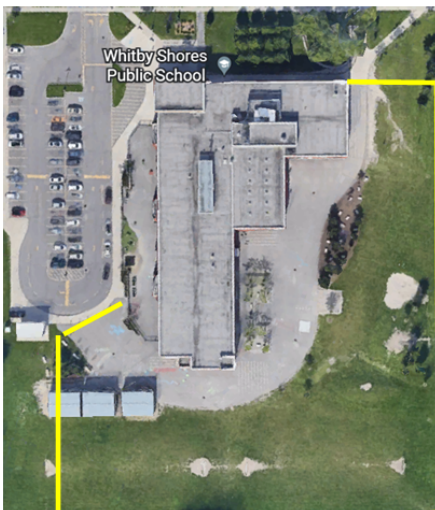
This year we have some new staff members that have joined our Whitby Shores Team. On our Kindergarten Team we would like to Welcome Ms. Manosingham will be working with Ms. Behm. For our Junior Division we would like to welcome Ms. Bird who will be teaching Grade 4 and Ms. Gilchrist who will be teaching Grade 6. Joining our Special Education Resource Team we would like to welcome Ms. Gozdziejewicz and finally in a coverage position we would like to welcome Ms. Hussain.

We are so fortunate to have them join our team.

Important Dates:

- Sept. 13 : Welcome Back BBQ and Meet the Staff
- Sept. 21: International Day of Peace
- Sept. 16- 17: Rosh Hashanah
- Sept. 22 : Terry Fox Run
- Sept. 23 : Autumn Equinox
- Sept. 28 : Eid-Maulad-un-Nabi
- Sept. 29 : Orange Shirt Day
- Sept. 30 : National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

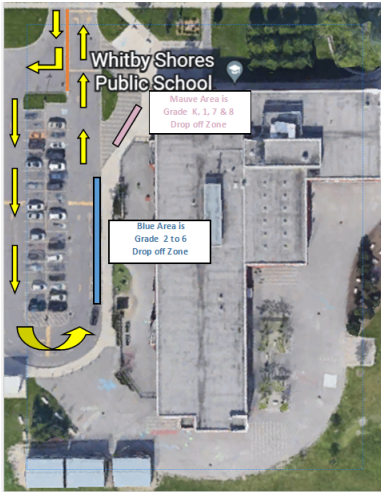
Morning and Lunchtime Drop-off



Thank you to all our families for helping us out with the morning and lunchtime drop and go. Our morning yard supervision begins at 8:40 am. Again, this is to help with safety and allow for our Teachers on yard duty to monitor all students with clear sight lines, just as we do at all recess times.

We really do appreciate the support in keeping the yard open to our students.

Kiss N Ride (Hug and Go)



Kiss N Ride ran very smoothly this week thanks to all of our community members following the drop off zones. Here are just a few reminders. When dropping off and picking up your child at Kiss N Ride, you must remain with your vehicle. ***If you want to accompany your child to the school yard, you will need to walk to school, or park nearby.***

- ***Please do not park your car and walk away for either drop off OR pick up***
- ***Students must be able to get themselves unbuckled and open vehicle doors to use Kiss N Ride***
- Our supervision staff cannot assist with doors, backpacks or any material from the vehicle
- Our parking lot is closed for family parking from 8:30-9:15 and from 3:00-4:00 p.m. for safety reasons during our Kiss and Ride times.

Whitby Shores School Community Council (SCC)

Every school in the DDSB has a SCC. Our SCC meets 4 times a year using a hybrid model. They help plan parent engagement events and fundraising with the school. If you are interested in joining our SCC please complete the form below. The forms to be apart of our SCC must be completed by Friday September 22nd at 3:25pm

For our Nomination form please [click here](#)

If you would like to learn more about our SCC please drop by our Welcome Back BBQ and stop by the SCC table. Our first SCC Meeting and Election and Meeting will take place on October 2nd at 6:30 p.m.

Welcome Back BBQ / Meet the Staff / Scholastic Book Fair



On Wednesday September 13, 2023 Whitby Shores PS and the Whitby Shores SCC will be hosting a Welcome Back and Meet the Staff Event

September 13, 2023: The Scholastic book fair RETURNS for Meet The Staff Event on September 13th from 3:30-7:30 pm. Students and parents will be invited to shop at the bookfair to start off the year and find some fun books and supplies for their kids. It will open for just one night. Hope to see you there!

Elementary Lunch Protocols

Lunches at the elementary level will be taking place in each classroom with students in their classroom, and students will be supervised by lunchroom supervisors. Students will clean their hands before and after eating. Empty food containers are to be taken back home and not left at school. Food sharing will not be permitted. Please note we are a Nut free school. Other specific allergy information will be shared with your child's homeroom teacher.

Student Accident Insurance

Providing safe learning environments is a strong and constant focus at the Durham District School Board. Families should however recognize that there is always a potential risk of injury with field trips, sports and other student activities both on and off school grounds. Accidents can happen, despite precautions to prevent them. Accidental injuries may involve medical, dental or other expenses not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans.

Please be aware that the Durham District School Board does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries. For your convenience, we do make available a Student Accident Insurance program through Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada. This program offers a variety of plans and benefits at affordable prices.

All rates are one-time annual premiums. The insurance agreement is between **you** and **Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada**. For complete details please refer to the *insuremykids Protection Plan* information/application form or visit their website at: www.insuremykids.com.

Any questions should be directed to Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada toll free at 1-800-463-5437.