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Together, Making A Difference.....One Student At A Time

From The Principal's Desk

Another school year is quickly coming to an end! We will have a very busy June with class trips, our Volunteer Appreciation Tea and lots of activity based learning. Please check the calendar in the newsletter, class newsletters, or on the website for times you may be able to join us!

Teachers will be busy preparing final report cards and class lists for next year. As part of this process, teachers will ensure classes are formed through a professional dialogue with other teachers, involving a wide range of educational criteria. We have your child's needs at the center of our decision-making process. Transitions to new schools are also part of our preparation to ensure your child is ready to begin the next school year in the best way possible.

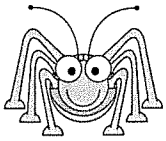
Your kindness and generosity help to make James McQueen the best school in the world. To those students and families that will not be with us next year, we wish you all the very best; please come back to visit us!

Have a safe, happy and fun-filled summer!!

Sincerely, Mr. Creighton

Please Keep Checking!!!!

Please remember that it is very important to check your child regularly for head lice and report it to the school office if found.



Lost and Found

Please drop by and check the lost and found for items your child may be missing! All items that are left at the school at the end of June will be washed and taken to "New To You".

Summer Food Drive

We would like to collect food for the food bank for the summer. If you have anything you would like to send in, please do so by Friday, June 22nd. The food bank will also take hygiene items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc.

Thank you, in advance, for your generosity.

Loose Change Drive for Groves

Our final tally of our loose change drive was....$1210.00!!! What an incredible community we have at James McQueen! Thank you everyone who sent in your loose change, every penny makes a difference.

Jump Rope Thanks!

WOW and thank you all so very much for your support of our Jump Rope for Heart event! Together we raised over $6,500.00 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation! Congratulations and merci beaucoup!!

Mme Arnott will be handing out the Jump Rope prizes as soon as she receives them so stay tuned boys and girls!!

Volunteer Appreciation Tea

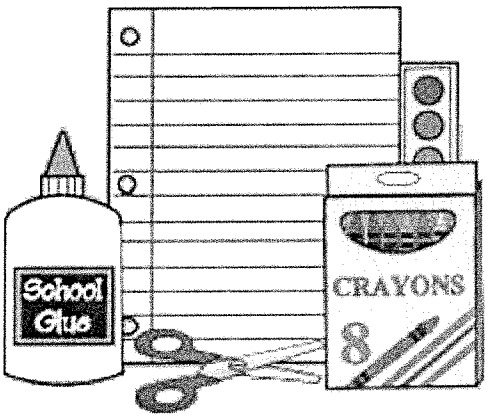
We would like to invite all of our volunteers throughout this past year to our Volunteer Appreciation Tea on Thursday, June 14th from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the gym. If you volunteered on a regular basis or just once or twice, we would love to see you!! Come out and enjoy a coffee or tea and a treat or two! It is our small way of saying **thank you** for all of you to make James McQueen the very best school in the world!!

September 2018

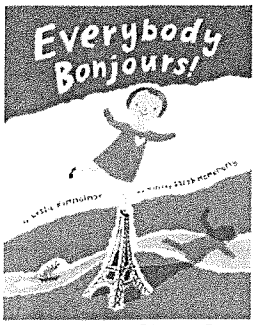
James McQueen PS provides all the necessary materials for children's learning. Even so, some families like to have a list describing items that would be useful for children to have at school. For your convenience, please find these lists below:

Kindergarten
1 large backpack with name
1 lunch bag
1 paint shirt
1 pair of indoor athletic shoes to stay at school
1 box of facial tissue

Grade 1-3
1 large backpack with name
1 lunch bag
1 pair of indoor athletic shoes to stay at school
1 box of facial tissue
1 pkg. of water colour markers
1 pkg. of pencil crayons
1 large glue stick
1 pencil case
Pencils (standard HB with eraser)



Attention French Immersion Families!



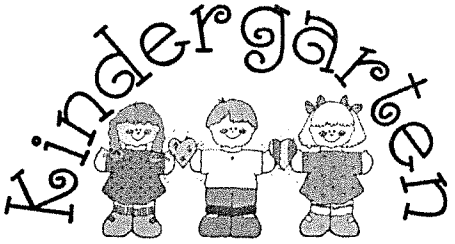
Are you looking for a way to help your child maintain the gains they have made with their reading this year? Want to help stop the "Summer Slide"? Just like any other activity requiring skill (thinks sport or music) reading also needs to be practiced. This can be a challenge with limited access to French books over the summer! This summer we will be introducing a new program at James McQueen. Swing y the school on **Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 10:00** to get (or swap) a leveled French reader for your child. Bring the book back the following Wednesday that you are free, and receive another one to read at home. The dates to drop by are below. Happy Reading!! July 4, July 11, July 18, July 25, August 1, August 8, August 15 and August 22.

Kindergarten Celebrations

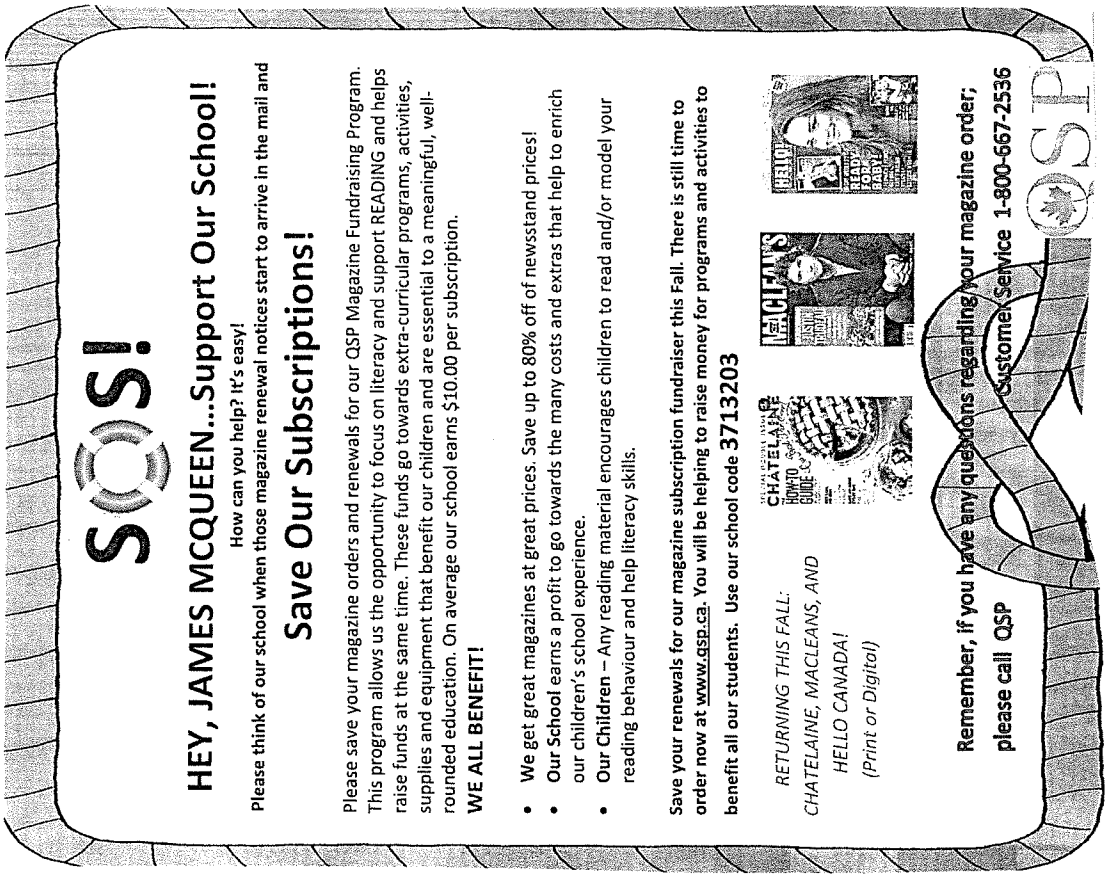
Your child's teacher will be sending home information but please note that these are the dates that our kindergarten students will be celebrating.

On June 20th the children in Mme McGregor's class will celebrate at 9:00 and at 11:15, the children in Mme Boys will celebrate. The celebrations will take place in the gym.

On June 22nd in the gym we will celebrate Mme Gray's class at 9:00, Mme Ecclestone's class at 11:15 and Mrs. McKerracher's & Mrs. Pearson's classes at 1:40.



Newsletter draw winner last month was....Kiera Terpstra. Congratulations!



Dates to Remember.....

Monday, June 4	Mme Dean's class visits the Fergus library from 11:45 to 12:45. Mrs. Lehman's & Mme Bennett's classes visit Zehrs today. Mme Saar's and Mme Schieck's classes visit the Fire Station at 2:00.
Tuesday, June 5	Mrs. Lehman's class visits the Fergus library from 11:45 to 12:45. Mme Bennett's class visits the Fire Station at 11:30 a.m. School Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Library. Everyone is welcome!
Wednesday, June 6	Mme Saar's class visits the Fergus library from 1:40 to 2:40. Mrs. Lehman's class visits the Fire Station at 11:30.
Thursday, June 7	Mme Bennett's class visits the Fergus library from 11:45 to 12:45. Mme Dean's class visits the Fire Station at 11:30.
Friday, June 8	P.A. Day Kindergarten Orientation for NEW kindergarten students coming in September 2018 – 10:30 to 11:30
Monday, June 11	Kindergarten trip to the African Lion Safari from 9:00 to 3:00.
Tuesday, June 12	Mrs. Lehman's class visits the post office this afternoon.
Thursday, June 14	Volunteer Appreciation Tea from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Mme Saar's and Mme Schieck's grade 1's will visit the post office this afternoon.
Friday, June 15	Dufflebag Theatre visits James McQueen with presentation of "Snow White" from 1:50 to 2:50 p.m. Please join us if you wish! Mme McGregor's class visits the FARM program today.
Tuesday, June 19	Mme Bennett's class visits the post office this afternoon.
Wednesday, June 20	Grade 3's visit John Black from 11:20 to 1:30 for grade 4 orientation. Kindergarten Celebrations; Mme McGregor & Mme Boys in the gym – see times inside newsletter.
Thursday, June 21	Mme Dean's class visits the post office this afternoon. Mme Saar's class-Celebration of Learning from 2:00 – 3:00.
Friday, June 22	Hawaiian Day! Last day to send items for the food bank. Grade 1 students visit the Wellington County Museum. Kindergarten Celebrations; Mme Gray, Mme Ecclestone, Mrs. McKerracher & Mrs. Pearson in the gym.
Monday, June 25	Movie Trip for grades 1 to 3 – 11:15 to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 26	Report cards go home today.
Thursday, June 28	Last day of school! Final assembly at 9:30 a.m. Please join us! Comfy Cozy Day.
Friday, June 29	P.A. Day

Happy Summer!!!!

Summer Camps in Centre Wellington 2018

Organization	Contact	Dates available	Website	Additional information
Bethel Baptist Church	(519) 843 - 2890 theoffice.bethel@gmail.com	Soccer Camp July 9-13	http://bethelbaptistfergus.com/soccer-bible-camp/	Free Ages 5-13
St. Andrews Presbyterian Church	519-843-3565	VBS July 16-20 – no charge 9 a.m. until noon Sports Camp Aug 13-17 cost is $80 9 a.m. until 3 p.m	http://www.cpchurch.ca/ministries/camps	
Central Pentecostal Church	519-846-0272 pwhan@cpchurch.ca	July 17-21-Mount Everest July 31-Aug. 4 Makers Fun Factory Aug. 14-18 Deep Sea Discovery	http://www.cpchurch.ca/ministries/camps	9-4:00 $60/child includes a field trip
Bears Cheerleading	226-971-1614	2018 camp dates not yet available	http://cheeronbears.ca/	Unlimited classes $69 for 6 weeks Possible subsidy available
Public Library	Various locations	Various dates	See calendar for additional details	Ongoing summer programs for children

			https://calendar.wellington.ca/library/Index?PrintView=list&StartDate=07/01/2018&EndDate=08/31/2018	
Center Wellington Sportsplex	519-846-9691 ext. 903	Week 1: July 3-6 Week 2: July 9-13 Week 3: July 16-20 Week 4: July 23-27 Week 5: July 30-August 3 Week 6: August 7-10 Week 7: August 13-17 Week 8: August 20-24	https://www.centrewellington.ca/beactive/Pages/Recreation,%20Parks%20and%20Facilities/Day-Camps.aspx	The camp runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The cost is $ 176.20 for a full week and $ 142.10 for a 4 day week camp. Includes tennis instruction, swim lessons that include Swim to Survive skills, arts and crafts, active games, and of course making new friends.
Elora Centre for the Arts	(519) 846-9698	EARTH, TREES, AND DIRTY KNEES ART CAMP **July 16 @ 9:00 am - July 20 @ 4:00 pm** CIRCUS SUMMER CAMP WITH YOUTH CIRCUS PROJECT **July 30 @ 9:00 am - August 3 @ 5:00 pm** STORYBOOK ART	https://eloracentreforthearts.ca/classes/summer-camps/	-prices vary

		CAMP/ A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT **August 13 @ 9:00 am - August 17 @ 12:00 pm** CALDER'S KINETIC ART CAMP/ AGES 5-7 **August 28 @ 9:00 am - August 30 @ 12:00 pm** AGES 8-10 **August 28 @ 1:00 pm - August 30 @ 4:00 pm**		
YMCA- Guelph	Phone: 519-824-5150	Camps running all summer long -see website for dates and age ranges	https://www.guelphy.org/en/kids-and-families/summer-day-camps--ages-6-to-12.aspx	Day camp Pickup available in Fergus for Camp Conestogo -for subsidy information call the Y directly -Leaders in Training programs
YMCA -Waterloo	519-699-5100		http://www.ymcacambridgekw.ca/en/camp-outdoor-centre/Overnight-Camps-Overview.asp	Overnight camps including Camp Belwood - boys and girls ages 5-14 Camp Ka-Wa-Y - boys

				and girls ages 6-15 And more.... -Leaders in Training programs -call for subsidy information or check here For the camps at the YMCA in KW people have to apply for a subsidy through this website https://feeassist.ca/
Elora Youth Festival Camp		Dates: Monday, July 16 - Friday, July 20, 2018	https://www.elorayouth.com/camp	Participant Age: Children who have completed Grades 1 to 8 Location: Elora Public School (288 Mill Street East) Times: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM with performance Friday at 4:00 PM Cost: $225 Registration Deadline: June 29, 2018 Child Care for Camp Participants: Yes Early drop-off at 8:15 AM for $5 per day Late pick-up until 5:00 PM for $10 per day

Highland Rugby Club Tennis Club		July 23 to July 27 -July 30 to Aug 3 -Aug 7 to Aug 10 -Aug 13 to Aug 17 -Aug 20 to Aug 24 -Aug 27 to Aug 31	https://secure.pitchero.com/clubs/highlandrugbyclub/a/preview-51849.html	Highland Rugby is proud to announce our new Summer Sports Camp hosted by Highland Rugby and Fergus Tennis! This is the first dual sports camp available in Fergus and is a great way to hone your skills in rugby while also learning a new sport! During the summer, your child can enjoy half a day playing tennis with Canadian Tennis Player, Dave Rowat and the other half playing rugby with our very own Jane Kirby.
Grace Fellowship Church	35 Farley Rd Fergus, ON 519-787-1978	Vacation Bible School DATE: July 23rd-27th	http://igrace.ca/vbs-shipwrecked-kids/	TIME: 9 AM – 12 NOON FEE: $10 (includes snacks, supplies, t-shirt) AGES: Kids born in 2008-2013 (Going into grade SK-5 in September 2018)
Honey Harp Sports	519 993-7007	Summer Day Camp July 9th-13th and July 16th-20th, 2018	http://www.honeyharpsports.ca/sports-camp/	Ages 6-13 New this year! *FENCING!* Fergus Community Centre

				Day camp from 9am – 4pm. Summer Camp $200 (includes HST)

Subsidy Opportunities

Free to Play -The Children's Foundation The Children's Foundation Free to Play Program provides financial assistance for children in need so that they can participate in sports, arts, camps and other recreational activities. Funds are available for the activity of the child's choice as long as the activity will benefit and enrich their own personal development.	https://www.childrensfoundation.org/what-we-do/free-to-play With the support of our program partners, our goal is to help as many children from low-income families as possible through a centralized system that is easily accessible for families. Maximum subsidy per child, per calendar year is $400 - on a first-come, first-serve basis and provided funds are available. Who is Eligible for Funding 1. Children from birth through 18 years of age (must be 18 years at time of application). 2. Children who live in Guelph or Wellington County. 3. Families must provide documentation to show your family size and income. CLICK HERE to see what is required.

	4. Families with incomes below the following household income levels (based on Line 236 - net adjusted income)
Jumpstart - Canadian Tire Raising funds. Lifting spirits. Supporting dreams. Jumpstart is more than just about getting kids active. It's about giving kids from families in financial need the same chance to participate as their neighbours, their classmates and their friends. Whether it's the chance to try a new sport or to continue with a favourite one, no kid should be left out. The vision of Jumpstart is simple: Canada, where all kids have a chance to fulfill their dreams.	http://jumpstart.canadiantire.ca/content/microsites/jumpstart/en/about-jumpstart.html When families need a little financial boost to get kids involved in a sport, dance team or other active program, they need to fill out an application. This needs to be done before the fees are due, as the money goes right to the organization. Applications for assistance can typically be submitted from January 15 to November 1; with the goal for funding to be equitably distributed over Spring/Summer and Fall/Winter activities.
KidSport™ is a grass roots Canadian non-profit organization that provides support to under-resourced children and youth 18 years of age and under by removing financial barriers that prevent them from playing organized sport.	http://www.kidsportcanada.ca/ontario/about-kidsport-ontario/ KidSport increases accessibility to sport for under-resourced kids by: 1.Providing financial assistance to individual families for registration and sports equipment costs 2.Providing local sport introduction opportunities for kids to discover their athletic passion

	3.Advocating on behalf of the value of sport for kids and communities 4.Building key athlete, corporate, and community relationships that increase sport opportunities