



# JUNE JOTTINGS



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## MISSION STATEMENT

*Our mission at June Ave. P. S. is to teach skills that assist each child in his/her academic, social and emotional development. We do this by using all our available resources and expertise through team collaboration and planning. We do this so that all children can learn and achieve their potential.*

**SEPTEMBER 2018**

**NEWSLETTER NO. 1**

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### WELCOME BACK!

Welcome back everyone. I am excited to be returning to June Ave., and as the first bell rings to call us all back for the 2018-2019 school year, I am anticipating a great year together.

I would like to welcome back all students, staff and families who are returning to June Ave. P.S. and extend warm hugs and a big welcome to those students, staff, and families joining June Ave for the first time. I have no doubt that you will all become an integral part of the fabric that makes June Ave a great place of learning.

A new school year presents opportunities for various beginnings - new classes, new assignments, new faces, new experiences, new opportunities, sometimes new courses and often new materials.

Newness alone, however, cannot produce transformation. We ourselves must be willing to be caught up in the rebirth that is possible with each new year. Starting the new year gives us the opportunity to make new plans, set new goals, and build new friendships while renewing old ones.

### Transitions to School in the Fall

Returning to school is both an exciting time as well as one that can be challenging for some of our students. As our students get ready for new September routines, here are some tips to support parents on things to consider when the new school year is beginning again:

- If you are new to the school community, make an appointment to meet your child's school team so that you can develop a relationship with the school and learn the school based routines alongside your child.
- Connect your child with neighbourhood friends that are in their class to help them get to and from school with a peer to make the transitions more fun.

- Consider adapting your child's bedtime routine by returning to an earlier 'school day' schedule before school starts, aiming for 10 hours of sleep a night.
- Sit and plan what your child would enjoy eating as part of a healthy lunch while at school. Including kids in these routines helps them build their independence in packing a well-balanced lunch and snacks.
- Walk with your child to school to remind them of the safety rules and routines. The summer is a long time and this needs to be refreshed from time to time.
- Spend time each night checking in on how the first few weeks of school have gone. If your child is facing some concerns that do not seem to be ironing out, connect with the school to see if together something can be done to support them to be happy in their new school year. (Adapted from KidsHealth.org)

This year promises to be full of new experiences and learning opportunities for everyone and I look forward to working together to bring new excitement to June Ave through a variety of new initiatives, new ideas, and renewed energy.

Let's make 2018-2019 our best year yet!

Yours in Education  
Chris Kay



## LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES

### Students with Life-Threatening Medical Conditions

UGDSB Policy 518: Students with Life-Threatening Medical Conditions, outlines the roles and responsibilities for all in the educational community to support students with possible life-threatening medical conditions. The prevalent medical conditions covered under this policy are Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Diabetes and Epilepsy/Seizure Disorders. If your child has one of these, or any other life-threatening medical condition, please visit: [www.ugdsb.ca/board/policy](http://www.ugdsb.ca/board/policy) (and look for Policy 518) or contact the school as soon as possible. We will work with you to develop a Plan of Care to support your child.

## DAILY TIMETABLE FOR 2017-2018

Below you will find the schedule for each day at June Ave. P. S.

9:00 a.m.	School Entry
9:00 -10:40 a.m.	Instructional Period
10:40-11:25 a.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Nutrition Break
11:25 a.m.-1:25 p.m.	Instructional Period
1:25-2:10 p.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Nutrition Break
2:10-3:30 p.m.	Instruction Period
3:30 p.m.	Dismissal

Please note:

**\*Walking students should not arrive until 8:45 a.m. when there is supervision on the yard.**

### LATENESS

Good habits of being on time need to start early. Arriving late to school is hard on the late student who must scramble to catch up with his/her peers. It also disrupts the learning of other students in the classroom who must wait for the latecomer to get settled and be "brought up to speed".

Thank you for your assistance in promoting good habits of attendance with your children. If your child is late, please have him/her report to the office for a late slip.

### BUS STUDENTS

If bus students are being picked up at the end of the day and not riding the bus, they need to be signed out by the person who is taking them. If you will not be picking them up, please contact the school and inform us of who will be picking your child up. This procedure has worked quite effectively and ensures the safety of all our bus students. The clipboards will be available in the office or at the bus line.

## OUR STAFF FOR 2017-2018

Kdgn A	- Mrs. Susan Koop
Kdgn B	- Mrs. Lisa Nunn
Grade 1/2A	- Mrs. Ruth Ford
Grade 2/3B	- Mrs. Martens
Grade 3/4A	- Mrs. Jenny Jones (Day 1-3 & 5) - Ms. Cathy Goudie (Day 4)
Grade 4/5B	- Mr. Theo Routis
Grade 6A	- Mr. Andrew Campbell
Special Education/Resource	- Mr. Steve Clark - Ms. Chris Kay
Developmental Class	
Big Room	- Ms. Denise Mullins
Little Room	- Mrs. Heather Freamo (Day 1, 2, 3 morning, 4, 5) - Miss Chris Kay (Day 3 afternoon)
Library	- Ms. Stephanie Pennesi
Core French	- Ms. Stephanie Pennesi
Primary/Junior Planning	- Mr. Steve Clark - Ms. Cathy Goudie
Educational Assistants	- Mrs. Linda Banas - Ms. Chantelle Bowie - Mrs. Carole Chalmers - Mrs. Anne Gowling - Mrs. Nicola Harman - Ms. Barbara Horvath - Mrs. Kirsten Rahn-Trinh - Mrs. Shelley Sommerville - Ms. Stephanie Vincent - Mrs. Fiona West
ECE	- Mrs. Ivy Woods
Custodian	- Mr. Bill Hasson
Principal	- Miss Chris Kay
Office Co-ordinator	- Mrs. Debbie Roosenboom
Lunch Supervisor	- Mrs. Kristine Aubin - Mrs. Erin Sanders



## Class Placements are NOT Final!

Across the school board, the entire staffing process is not complete until the middle of September, and while it appears that our overall numbers have not changed from our June prediction, the possibility that the Board ask us to reassign students to new homerooms in order to comply with Ministry mandated class sizes still exists but, we still need to wait until students are sitting in their desks to absolutely confirm our totals. If it is determined that changes are necessary, this will be communicated to parents and students as soon as they are known, but no later than Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> with the changes implemented to start no later than Monday, September 17.

We thank you for your support and understanding as we strive to create the best possible class balance and learning environments for our students.



### WHEN SHOULD YOUR KID HEAD TO BED TO GET ENOUGH SLEEP?

AGE	WAKE UP TIME						
	6:00 AM	6:15 AM	6:30 AM	6:45 AM	7:00 AM	7:15 AM	7:30 AM
	BED TIME						
5	6:45 PM	7:00 PM	7:15 PM	7:30 PM	7:30 PM	8:00 PM	8:15 PM
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## WATCH OUT FOR LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES!

Many children have allergies. A few, however, are life-threatening and can be fatal. We know we have some students at June Ave. Public School who carry an epipen and are severely allergic to peanut and nut products. There may be students with anaphylaxis allergies to other foods. If your child is one, we want to hear from you.

The best way to provide a safe environment for all students is to enlist the support of parents to help make our school as free as possible of these foods, currently peanuts and tree nuts. This means that each child is asked to refrain from bringing snacks or lunches which contain peanut or nut products.

I realize that this request may pose an inconvenience for you when packing your child's snack and lunch. However, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your support and understanding of this potentially life-threatening allergy.

Knowing that your child has allergies and knowing how to deal with them is our best defence. If your child has a severe allergy to ANYTHING, please tell us. With your help, we will do our best to prevent mishaps and to make sure that all our students are safe, healthy and able to concentrate on learning. If you would like further information about our policies and practices, please do not hesitate to call the school or check out the Board website.



### STUDENTS NEEDING MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

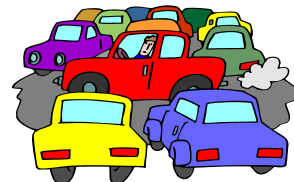
Should your child require any medication during the school day, either on a short or long term basis, we require you to complete an **Administration of Oral Medication Form**.

This form may be obtained from Mrs. Roosenboom in the office. No medication will be dispensed to students without prior written consent from parents. Board Policy also states that *"parents are to ensure that the container of medicine has a pharmaceutical sticker or label attached indicating the name of the child and directions for the administration and storage of the medication."*

### PARKING LOT—A STUDENT SAFETY ZONE

No entry is permitted to the school parking lot from  
8:30 to 9:00 a.m. or from 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

A number of students in our school community require specialized bus or taxi transportation which need to access our parking lot during this time. Many of our walking students also use this area to access our playground during wet and/or snowy conditions, or when walking with younger siblings that use strollers or when accompanied by an older adult. To allow for the safety of all our students, we require you to adhere to our parking lot restrictions to ensure the safe arrival of all students. We do realize it can be an inconvenience to park on June Avenue, especially in the winter months, but nothing is more important than the safety of our children.



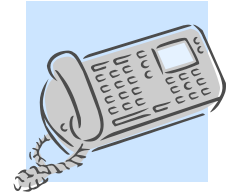
## SAFE ARRIVAL

**Your child's safety is of utmost importance to us.** Please remember to contact the school before 9:00 a.m. if your child is going to be late or absent. If we do not hear from you, we must assume your child is not accounted for. As you can understand, this can be a stressful situation for all involved. Your diligence with reporting absences or "lates" is greatly appreciated. For your convenience we also have an answering machine which allows you to contact the school at any time during the night, over the weekend and early in the morning. When you leave a message, please be sure to note your child's full name, teacher and the reason for the absence.

If your child is absent and we have not heard from you, we will attempt to contact a parent/guardian to ensure that your child is 'safe'. It is important to let the school know if there is any change in your personal information (i.e. home/work phone number, emergency contact, etc.) so that in the event of an absence or emergency, we can contact you immediately.

Students arriving late are expected to check in at the office to obtain an admit slip.  
As always, to ensure your child's safety, any parent/guardian picking up his/her child during the instructional day, must report to the office.

When picking up walking students, please meet them around the back on the playground by their entry/exit doors.



## SMOKE-FREE ENVIRONMENT

The Upper Grand DSB provides a smoke-free environment for its students, staff and others while on school Board property, in accordance with the Smoke-Free Ontario Act. This policy refers to all forms of tobacco, and any processed form of tobacco that may be smoked, inhaled or chewed, including e-cigarettes.

Smudging is the tradition of using sacred smoke from sacred medicines (e.g., tobacco and sage) that forms part of the indigenous culture and spirituality. Smudging is allowed in schools under the Smoke-Free Ontario Act. Parents will be informed using the school's usual forms of communication when smudging is going to occur in our school. Participation by staff and students is optional in a smudging ceremony.

### PARENT REQUEST FOR MATERIALS POSTED ON LINE 2018– 2019

Please send the following hard copies home with my oldest child (check appropriate box):

Monthly school newsletters

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

## STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE

### **Reminder for parents: Accidents happen - be prepared with Student Accident Insurance**

Parents or guardians are responsible for expenses related to student injuries on school premises during school activities. Accidents can and do happen and the costs involved might not be fully covered by Provincial Health Care or employer group insurance plans.

The Upper Grand District School Board is empowered under *The Education Act* to offer Accident and Life Insurance for students.

Information will be sent home with respect to Student Accident Insurance offered by Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada on September 8th. You should receive the Director's letter, an **Acknowledgment to be signed by parents (and returned to school)** and a Student Accident Insurance application form (to be mailed directly to Old Republic). Old Republic offers a variety of options, including family rates and multi-year plans, at affordable prices. The cost must be paid by parents or guardians.

Subscription is directly through Old Republic by mail or on line. Questions should be directed to Old Republic at 1-800-463-5437 or [www.insuremykids.com](http://www.insuremykids.com).

For today's active children, especially those who participate in field trips, co-curricular and other school activities outside the school day, Student Accident Insurance is valuable.

## Health Unit Web Site

To access the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph Public Health website please go to:  
[www.wdgpulichealth.ca](http://www.wdgpulichealth.ca)

## Parent Involvement Committee

The Board's Parent Involvement Committee is always looking for new participants. The term of office for members is one or two years. You don't need to be on a school council to be selected, just fill in an application form from the Board's website: [www.ugdsb.on.ca](http://www.ugdsb.on.ca). Then bring it to the first PIC meeting—open to all parents, not just if you want to apply for a position. Join PIC for dessert and the first meeting of the school year and find out how you can make a difference in education at the Board level.

### Street Patrols

Street patrols continue to appreciate drivers parking past the "no parking" signs along June Ave. just in front of the school. Parking a distance from the crosswalk allows street patrols to have a clear view of oncoming traffic.

**Patrols are on duty 8:40 to 8:55 a.m.  
and 3:30 to 3:45 p.m.**

There will be no patrols at Freeman and Kathleen this year.

Thank you to all for your cooperation.



### PICTURE DAY

Picture Day is on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.

**Don't forget to bring  
your smile**



### SEPTEMBER 20th - 5:30 TO 7 P.M. MEET THE TEACHER OPEN HOUSE AND BOOK FAIR

This year our Open House will be held on Thursday, September 20th. We hope every family will make note of this important date and will plan to attend. Step into your child's world to meet his/her teacher and visit Ms. Pennesi at the book fair in the gym who also supports your child's learning. Give your child an opportunity to introduce his/her family to new school friends and meet other moms and dads.

Stay tuned for information about a family barbeque as well, sponsored by your Parent Council as well.

Teachers will establish contact with you, prior to this event through classroom newsletters, phone calls or the student agendas.

### Library News

**Volunteers are always welcome in the library!** We need assistance with the circulation computer, shelving books, repairs and preparing new materials for cataloguing. If you are interested and have some time to spare, please contact Ms. Pennesi at extension 225.

### School Council News

Come and join us for our first School Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 11 at 7 p.m. and find out how you can support June Ave, what's planned for this year, and share your ideas and talents.

Involvement in School Council is a wonderful way to meet other committed parents and make a huge difference for the students at June Ave. Many parents believe that if you attend a School Council meeting you will be asked to volunteer your time for various activities. This does not have to be the case. To attend a School Council meeting is to support your child and the greater school community. It is a great chance to share your ideas or visit and listen.

If you are interested in being a part of our School Council, please fill out the **Nomination Form** that will be sent home today.

We look forward to seeing you there!



## STUDENT AGENDAS

All our Grade 1 to 6 students have received an agenda. This is a very useful tool to teach children organizational skills. It can also be used as an effective communication tool between home and school. We ask that parents check the agendas each night, as teachers will be checking them each morning.

We are asking students to help cover the increased cost of agendas by bringing in \$8.00 each. It is our hope that this contribution will help the students take some ownership for the agenda and maintain it throughout the year.

The cost of the agendas comes directly out of the school budget. This reduces the amount that can be used to purchase books, technology and other learning materials.



GOING HOME TODAY	ACTION REQUIRED	DUE DATE
School Council Nomination Form	Yes	Thursday September 13, 2018
* Student Information Forms * Blanket Trip Forms (sending home on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2016)	Yes	Thursday September 13, 2018
Conditions for Use of Computer Networks and Internet	Yes	Thursday September 13, 2018
Request for \$8.00 Agenda Fee <b><u>Can be paid online through CashNet</u></b>	Yes	Thursday September 13, 2018
Freedom of Information Letter	Yes	Thursday September 13 2018
Accident Insurance Envelope and Letter (sending home on Thursday, Sept. 8, 2016)	Yes Acknowledgement Letter	Wednesday September 19, 2018
September School Calendar	No	
School Year Calendar	No	

# **JUNE AVE SCHOOL COUNCIL**

## **Notice of Nomination**

We invite you to join our School Council. As a member you will learn much about our wonderful school. You will also be bringing your representation of the school community to our discussions.

Members of School Council are expected to:

- place the overall interests of the school and students first
- attend and participate in all School Council Meetings (as they are able)
- participate in information and training sessions (as they are able)
- act as a link between the School Council and the Community
- encourage the participation of all parents and individuals within the school community
- seek to reach consensus in the decision-making process of the council
- be enthusiastic and participate in School Council sub-committees (as they are able)

A school council is only as strong as the commitment of its membership. If you wish to become a part of this team, please complete this form and return it to the school office by Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>. School Board policy requests that the new council be formed within 30 days of the beginning of the school year. For more information about the positions don't hesitate to call and speak with me directly.

Thank you for your interest,

Chris Kay

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### **SCHOOL COUNCIL PARTICIPATION 2018 - 2019**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren)'s Names: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in being nominated for: (please circle your interest)

Secretary

Fundraiser

Community Rep

Event Planner

## PARENTS PLAY A CRUCIAL ROLE AT SCHOOL

Parents and teachers have a common goal—success in school for our children. Research shows that learning improves when parents are involved with the school in their child's education.

Teachers appreciate, and our children benefit, when parents:

- Help their children understand that **learning is important**
- Stress good work habits
- Set **high expectations** for learning, taking into account the child's ability
- **Show interest** in what their child is learning
- **Read** the newsletters and sheets that come home
- **Communicate** key information to the teacher
- **Volunteer/Participate** in school and class events

## TERRY FOX RUN

Last year June Ave P.S. participated in the Terry Fox Run. It was a great day and we raised money for the Canadian Cancer Society.

We are looking forward to our annual "Terry Fox Run" to take place on Thursday, September 27, 2018.

Your child will be bringing home specific details closer to this date.

Join us if you can, **The Terry Fox Run** for Cancer Research but pets must be left at home.

Together we can make a difference.



**PARKING & STOPPING**



Please note that parking/stopping is **NOT permitted** on June Ave, in front of the school from **8:00 am - 4:00 pm** Monday - Friday on **either side of the street**. Parking is permitted from Kathleen to the first house on the North side of June Ave. and further along June Ave. passed the bus loading zone. Alternatively you can use Nicklin at the end of the catwalk as a drop off and pick up point. This will allow your child some exercise and to safely transition to and from school.

**Please note that the police will be patrolling the area regularly to ensure the safety of our school community.** Thank you for your cooperation.

## BE OUR EYES

We need your help to ensure our playground is a safe play place for the children.

We ask that you contact the Guelph Police Department (519-824-1212) if you notice people abusing or vandalizing the school property when we're not around.

Thank you for your assistance.

## SCHOOL ENTRY

When parent and/or visitors come to the school (even if they come every day, are coming to pick up a bus student) we ask that they report to the office. It is important that we know who is in the school at all times, for safety reasons.

Thank you for your support in keeping our students/staff safe.

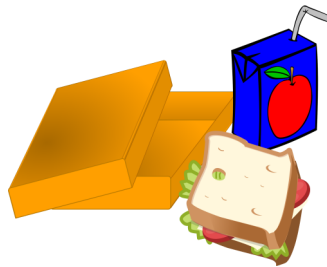
## Lunch Program

Yes! There are plans to have the Healthy Lunches program provided through Food & Friends, the University of Guelph Food Sciences students and volunteers, and donations from our community, families and friends who can afford to do so, back this year. We had a successful year in 2017–2018. It is evident that by meeting the nutritional needs of students they are better able to handle the expectations and demands of learning with sustained ability to focus and control their behavior.

The meals are open to all students but we ask that those families who can afford healthy snacks/lunches choosing to partake in the meals consider *"paying it forward"* by *making a donation* for the meals their child participates in. In this way you are ensuring the continuation of the program. We will share a meal menu with you that will follow a cycle. This will make it easy for you to pre-plan your weekly shopping and lunch making schedules by deciding when and how many meals your child would like to participate in.

Please note that we will not track who donates and any child without sufficient or healthy food choices at second break will be invited to partake in the meal. Donations are strictly voluntary. A suggested donation per meal/per day would be \$4.00.

Bon Apetite!



International Walk to School month (IWALK) is an annual global event taking place each October. It celebrates active transportation and its benefits such as: increasing physical activity, decreasing traffic congestion, improving safety, developing a sense of community, promoting social interaction, and preserving the environment.

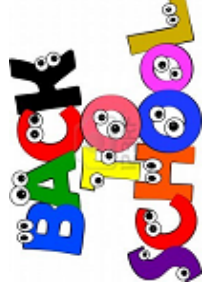
**International Walk to School Day Wednesday October 3rd**  
**IWALK week is October 1-5 or**  
**Walk/wheel to school all month!**

It is important to keep your child's immunization records up-to-date with Public Health. Students who do not have up-to-date immunization records, may be suspended from school. Please report your child's immunizations to Public Health by calling 1-800-265-7293 ext.4396.





# September 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Labour Day	4 Day 1 Welcome Back	5 Day 2	6 Day 3 Jr. Kdgn Staggered Entry	7 Day 4 Jr. Kdgn Staggered Entry	8 Day 4
9	10 Day 5 Jr. Kdgn Staggered Entry	11 Day 1 Jr. Kdgn Staggered Entry ***** Mad Science Demo Assembly 2:20 p.m. ***** School Council Mtg 7 to 8:15 p.m.	12 Day 2 Jr. Kdgn Starts Full Time	13 Day 3	14 Day 4	15 Day 4
16	17 Day 5	18 Day 1	19 Day 2	20 Day 3 Open House & Book Fair 5:30 to 8 p.m.	21 Day 4	22 Day 4 First Day Of Autumn
23	24 Day 5	25 Day 1	26 Day 2	27 Day 3 Mad Science Begins 1:25 to 2:10 p.m.	28 Day 4 P. A. Day (no school)	29 Day 4
30	PICTURE DAY, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2018					