

# Ken Danby Public School

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Summer holidays have arrived and we would like to wish all our families a safe and happy summer.

We look forward to welcoming all students back on Tuesday, September 6, 2022. School will begin at 8:30 am and dismissal time will be at 3:00 pm. All students are asked to meet on the pavement at the back of the school for the 8:30 am bell.

To ensure we follow Freedom of Information rules, class lists will not be posted. Instead, grade levels will be posted on the outside walls at the back of the school and students will line up accordingly.

On the first day of school, your child is asked to meet at the back of the school on the tarmac by the grade they are in. Teachers will be outside with grade signs to help everyone find where they need to be. In case of inclement weather, we will meet in the school gym. We ask that returning parents refrain from entering the school on the first day as the hallways will be very busy at that time and we want to ensure student safety during the first day entry. Kindergarten students will meet in the Kindergarten yard. There is no staggered entry for kindergarten students as all JK and SK students will start on September the 6.

The school office will be open during the week of August 29<sup>th</sup>. Please feel free to call if you need assistance in any area. (519-836-4545)

Have a safe and enjoyable summer with your family!

Blair Conrad

## **TENTATIVE CLASS AND STAFF ORGANIZATION FOR 2022-2023**

We are still finalizing the classroom organizations for next year. We will again be following the Ministry regulations regarding smaller primary class sizes (see parameters that follow). As new students register over the summer, we will most likely see changes to our class organizations.

Ministry parameters for all Boards in Ontario:

- 90% of Gr. 1-3 classes in the Board organized with 20 or fewer students
- No more than 10% of Gr. 1-3 classes in the Board with 21-23 students
- Junior/Intermediate classes in our Board will have a total average of 25.5 students to one teacher
- Full day Kindergarten classes with an ECE have a cap of 29 students.

We will keep you informed as we learn more, and will try to make the transition for your child as smooth as possible if they need to change classes after the school year begins.

(Note: After the official September reporting period, it is permissible for new students moving into the area to cause class sizes to increase over the parameters listed above without resulting in reorganization.)

Students have already been assigned to classes for next year. As a staff, we have reflected on a variety of factors, such as achievement, work habits, behavior, ratio of boys to girls, friendships, learning styles and teaching styles. Our goal is to maintain a balance in each classroom in order to facilitate each student's ability to achieve their potential. As we have experienced in the past, we know that the classes we made in June may not be the classes we have during the 2022-2023 school year. Please know that we have the best interest of all our students and staff in mind when classes are created.

The following class organizations have been approved for the 2022-23 school year:

KA	M. Crandall/S. Spence	4B	G. Schaller
KB	J. McLennan/A. Fritzley	4/5A	C. Dunk
KC	K. Priestly/K. Lloyd	5C	S. Kennedy
KD	M. Filippakis	5/6B	D. Zevenbergen
1B	S. Hartin-Duffy	6A	L. Breton
1C	J. Cruickshank	6C	S. Anderson
1D	M. Morrison	7/8A	J. Hamilton
1/2A	J. Munro	7/8B	B. Drumm
2C	A. Hernandez	7/8C	N. McClure
2/3B	J. Benediktson	7/8D	P. Jordan
3A	L. White	SPE 1	K. MacKay-Hoogkamp
3C	A. Bell	SPE 2	S. Larsh
3D	S. Mollison		
<b>Planning</b>	J. Prigione, L. Carruthers, M. Chopra	<b>French</b>	J. Peebles, C. Wright
<b>Library Learning Commons</b>	S. Periard	<b>Resource</b>	A. Klein, C. Smith
		<b>Office Coordinator</b>	J. Downey, L. Smith
		<b>Office Assistant</b>	D. Caine
		<b>Vice Principal</b>	D. Tellis
		<b>Principal</b>	B. Conrad

### **FAREWELL FOR NOW....**

With many mixed feelings we say farewell to staff members this year who are moving on to new and exciting professional experiences Mrs. Tutty, Mrs. Barbier, Mr. Martin, Mr. Morris, Ms. West, Mr. Bitton, Mrs. Gharial, Ms. Brugger, Ms. Martin, Ms. Restelli, Mrs. Champoux, Ms. Zadow, Mrs. DePaula, Mrs. Stubbington, Mrs. Natarelli, Ms. Koerner

We will miss them all and thank them all for sharing their talents, supporting students and the numerous hours they have provided to students and the community. We wish them all the best in their new positions.

Finally, we would like to wish Mrs. Evans all the best in her retirement. The staff will miss her expertise and the students will miss the support she has provided throughout her career. She will be missed by all.

### **SCHOOL DAY SCHEDULE FOR 2022/2023**

<b>8:30</b>	<b>Entry Bell</b>
<b>8:30-9:10</b>	<b>Period 1</b>
<b>9:10-9:50</b>	<b>Period 2</b>
<b>9:50-10:30</b>	<b>Period 3</b>
<b>10:30-11:15</b>	<b>1st Nutrition Break</b>

11:15-11:55	Period 4
11:55-12:35	Period 5
12:35-1:20	2nd Nutrition Break
1:20-1:40	Period 6 (DPA)
2:20-3:00	Period 7
3:00	Dismissal Bell

### **Library Learning Commons**

Please see the following link which contains a report card for our library learning commons. What were the top books signed out this year? How many new books did we add to the library this year?

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vRSWMPfnuWapnPyE6pP9z3BulStVv2OdA-EhUNzSAr6-XAwEVI4ArTvU9SPGZCzDc28PXLqW1AcwuiH/pub?start=false&loop=false&delayms=3000>

### **Eco Club Newsletter - Important summer info contained in the link**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1P9t9SGkrraBpD8NhvfvpvNSKg3jrKGvmc/view?usp=sharing>

### **Overnight Field Trips 2022-2023**

*The 'WHY' underpinning and leading to these recommendations is based on our commitment to providing equity of access to students and their families for programs in the UGDSB, both curricular and extra-curricular. Equity considerations that contributed to this statement include economic factors, faith-based factors, mental well-being and gender identity factors.*

For the 2022-2023 school year, the UGDSB is asking that schools consider alternatives to overnight trips within the province to ensure maximum participation in school events for students. The rationale for this is that many students and their families may not yet be comfortable attending as the state of the pandemic is yet undetermined and many families are continuing to feel the economic impact of the pandemic. In addition, we anticipate prices for trips to continue to increase, and many students have personal reasons including mental well-being and / or faith-based reasons that would preclude them from attending overnight trips.