



Attendance Line: 519-570-8069 Ext. 3180

October 2016

## From the Principal's Printer

Our first month of school has quickly flown by! I hope that September has been a great month for your children! We have loved getting to know the students and are excited to work with them and you this year. As I look at the students, I notice that some of them have grown over the summer! Some are a little taller, some are missing some teeth, but they all have fabulous smiles on their faces which is wonderful to see! We have a number of new staff and students who have settled in very nicely at Coronation. Thanks to staff and students for always making new people feel welcome.

The Junior Playspace is installed and is being enjoyed by students each day. Thanks to everyone for their hard work raising the money in the various fundraisers over the past several years. A reminder that the playground is closed immediately before and after school due to a lack of supervision. Thank you to all families for supporting this. Students are welcome to return with an adult after 3:30 to enjoy the playspace. There will be no school supervision at that time so we ask that you accompany your children at that time. Families are reminded that the playspace is deemed safe for children aged 5-12. Children under the age of 5 should not be on the playground.

Chocolate bars are on their way! Students will receive their chocolates on Thursday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. The money from this year's chocolate bar fundraiser will go to support the purchase of technology for our classes. Thank you in advance for your support. We appreciate it! Watch for a letter with information coming soon.

School Council has started up and we have dates set up for this year. Please come join us at one or all of our meetings. We would love to see you! Meetings run from 6-7:30pm.

October 12, Nov 9, Dec 14, Jan 11, Feb 8, March 8, April 12, May 10.

## What is Happening & Dates to Remember Looking Forward....

Oct. 6 & 20	Pizza Days
October 10	Thanksgiving Day
October 5	Walk to School Day
October 6	Chocolate Bars go home
October 11	Hotdog Day
October 12	School Council
Oct. 13 & 27	Sub Days
October 20	Choc. Bar Fundraiser Over
October 24	Picture Day
October 27	Spirit Day-Orange&Black
October 31	Halloween Parade 1:45

## Parking at Coronation P.S.



Parking at our school is at a premium, and with an increase in staff we have no room for additional parking.

We ask that you park on either side of Concession Rd. in the clearly marked spaces along both sides of the street or that if you have young children you use the church parking lot and walk them over to their class line.

**Please do NOT park in the**

**NO PARKING ZONE**

**of the Church lot!!!**

**Kinsmen Day Care parking lot is private property and is NOT for student drop off!**

**Please consider our children's safety over convenience and park accordingly.**

## PEANUTS OR NUT PRODUCTS

*Because of severe peanut and nut allergies, we ask that people do not send peanut or nut products to school. Substitute peanut butter products are being marketed to consumers as a safe alternative for children to bring to schools in place of peanut butter. The Waterloo Region District School Board asks that parents refrain from including these kinds of products in your child's lunches or snacks.*

*These products tend to look, taste, and smell very much like peanut butter. While the product is nut free, it mimics a known allergen that causes anaphylaxis in some children to the degree that it is indistinguishable from the allergen. It is a convincing substitute, opening up the possibility that it can be confused as peanut butter; or worse yet, peanut butter could be confused as this product.*

*The safety and health of our students is our first priority, which is why our schools have procedures in place to minimize risk of anaphylaxis reactions in our students. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation in avoiding the use of these products to assist in our continued efforts to create a safe, caring and inclusive learning environment for all students.*



### Parent Council Corner

Welcome to Parent Council Corner!  
We hope that everyone is settling in and ready for an amazing year!

We would like to say a **HUGE** thank you to all of the volunteers and families who have supported all of our fundraising efforts that have made the new junior playspace possible. The playground is now open for the kids to enjoy!



Playground Grand Opening  
(Watch for info)

Hot Dog Lunch  
October 11th

Chapter's Night  
November 22nd

If you would like more information about parent council or are interested in helping at any of our events please contact us at:  
[coolcatsparentcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:coolcatsparentcouncil@gmail.com)

Mark your calendar!



Picture Day is coming  
October 24, 2016.

Look for more information on your child's Picture Day flyer/order form that will be sent home the week before. Visit [Liftouch.com](http://Liftouch.com) for clothing suggestions, online payment details and more.

Dog lovers know that a nice walk on a beautiful day is



very enjoyable with their pets. Our staff love animals; however, we also have a responsibility to our students and recognize that accidents can happen. There have been some instances in

Waterloo Region in which children have been hurt by animals. Therefore, please do not bring your pet onto school property during school hours. Thank you for "Stooping and Scooping". Continuing this practice will ensure that our playground is clean and safe. We thank you very much for cooperation in making our school a safe one for all students.

### Reminders!!!

Parents, when entering the school during school hours, please come through the front doors and make your way to the office. If you are dropping something (lunch, coats, shoes, homework, etc.) off for your child, please leave it at the office and we will call your child down.

Please arrange with your child in the morning, who they are to go home with and/or where they are going after school. We receive several calls each day, so in order to reduce classroom interruptions we ask that you make these arrangements prior to school.

If your child will be absent from school, please call our attendance line. The service is 24 hours, so please call 519-570-8069 ext 3180 and leave a message anytime prior to the start of school.

## Growth Mindsets - What Can Parents Do??

One way that parents can really help their children is by carefully choosing the words they use when they praise them. Research tells us that we should think twice about praising our children for being “smart” or “talented” because this may foster a *fixed mindset*. Instead if we encourage our kids’ efforts and acknowledge their persistence and hard work, then we will support the development of *growth mindset*. Children with a growth mindset believe that with effort and persistence they can learn and achieve in school. A growth mindset will better equip them to persevere and pick themselves up when things do not go their way. Parents should also examine their own belief systems. Do you have a growth mindset? Do you believe that with effort, persistence and motivation your children can achieve their goals?

Every word parents say and action they perform sends a message to their children. These words and actions tell children how to think about themselves. The following table includes some examples of praise for a child’s effort instead of praising accomplishments.

Do Not Say...	Do Say...
You are really athletic!	You really work hard and pay attention when you are on the field.
You are so smart!	You work hard in school and it shows.
Your drawing is wonderful; you are my little artist.	I see you have been practising your drawing; what a great improvement!
You are a great athlete. You could be the next Sydney Crosby!	Keep practising and you will see great results.
You always get good grades. That makes me happy.	When you put forth effort, it really shows in your grades. You should be so proud of yourself. We are so proud of you.

The next time you are ready to praise your child, stop and think about how to use that opportunity to praise his or her effort instead of the accomplishment. Dr. Carol Dweck, an educational researcher says,

Parents should not shield their children from challenges, mistakes and struggles. Instead they should teach children to love challenges, *“This is hard and it’s fun!”* They should teach their children to embrace mistakes, *“Ooh here’s an interesting mistake. What should we do next?”* They should teach them to love effort, *“That was a fantastic struggle. You really stuck to it and made great progress.”*

Having a growth mindset and talking to our children with one takes time and practice but it is well worth it when we see the difference it makes in the children. (Taken from *Mindsets in the Classroom*, Mary Cay Ricci)



### Coronation Halloween Parade is soon approaching...

**This is a well attended event as parents line the hallways and watch the children parade in their costumes. Children are welcome to dress in costumes as we parade through the school. Please try and join us on Monday, October 31th at 1:45p.m. if you are able to attend. Parents, please remember that students are not allowed to have weapons/blood as part of their costumes(even fake ones!)**

**HAPPY HALLOWEEN!!!!!!**



#### Langs Screening Clinic

Langs is offering a Screening Clinic on Wednesday October 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:30-12:00 pm. The Screening Clinic is for children 0-6 years and allows parents/caregivers to visit with different health care professionals and assess their child’s development. Health care professionals include: Audiologist, Optometrist, Nurse, Social Worker, Dietitian, Dental Hygienist, and Speech and Language Therapist.

By appointment only. Please call Rosalie to book 519-653-1470 ext. 246



## Coronation September Student/Mathlete of the Month

Teacher	Student of the Month	Mathlete	Teacher	Student of the Month	Mathlete
Mr. G.	Selena	Ali	Mrs. Pearle	Peyton	Sohpie
Mr. Whitson	Tinisae	Toby	Ms. McLeod	Gulalai	Anthony
Ms. Brown	Brayden K.	Lauryn	Mrs. Hallman	Cobi	J.T.
Mrs. Berry	Grace W	Emma D	Mrs. Zettel	Thomas	Kylie
Ms. Elliott	Taven	Brendan	Ms. Wamsley	Katie W	Ramsay
Ms. Duquesney	Ciara	Ava	Mrs. Prickett-Hart	Abaigeal	Alexander
Ms. Gray	Nicholas K-R	Rory	Mrs. Marie	Munib	
Mrs. Carter	Rabab	Claire	Mr. Blackie	Owen K.	
Mrs. Koch	Kaylee	Connor P	Madam Mehan	Ava D. & Eva H	
Mrs. Zuidema	Skyla & Ryan	Anneliese	Ms. McPhee	Eli S.	
Mrs. Casale	Cayden	Sanjiti			

 **STAEBLER INSURANCE** During the course of the school year, our students have many opportunities to engage in various learning activities both on and off school property. Some activities, including curriculum and non-curriculum activities, interscholastic athletics program or field trips, carry a risk of injury. Some injuries incur medical, dental and other expenses that are not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans. As a parent or guardian, you become responsible for these expenses. Waterloo Region District School Board does **not** provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries that occur on school premises or during school activities.

Sometimes, accidents result from the nature of the activity and can occur without any fault of the student, or the School Board or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. The Waterloo Region District School Board does **not** provide any accidental disability, dismemberment, dental, death, or medical expenses or insurance on behalf of the participating students. Participation in such a programme is voluntary and the costs are to be paid by the parent or guardian.

The insurance being offered will provide students with excellent medical and dental coverage at a reasonable cost. Parents are encouraged to go to the Staebler Accident Insurance website for online subscription at:

<http://www.staebler.com/student-accident-insurance>.

## Bullying: What is it?

School is a place to be safe, learn and grow. Sometimes there are obstacles as students navigate complex social relationships. Here at Coronation we have plenty of help for this: PALS, Kindergarten Helpers, Clubs and other opportunities for students to interact. Of course, as with any complex system of relationships there are bound to be a few bumps in the road, disagreements, mistakes or errors in judgment; when these things happen we can demonstrate what it means to be a Cool Cat.

Here at Coronation we know that it is okay to make mistakes and that is how we learn. We know that when we hurt someone unintentionally or through a poor choice that this is not the end of the world, but the beginning of a journey. A simple "I'm sorry about that" or a more extensive problem solving process might be required. We look to our caring teachers and support staff to offer guidance in solving issues. Rarely do we see truly mean-spirited actions in our community, and when such incidents occur, often clear resolution can be found with a little time and understanding. We don't all need to be best friends here at Coronation, but we all need to care about one another. The great news is: We do.

On to Bullying: it is defined as a form of repeated, persistent, aggressive behaviour that is directed at an individual(s) that is intended to cause (or should be known to cause) fear, distress and/or harm to another person's body, feelings, self-esteem, or reputation. Bullying occurs in a context where there is a real or perceived power imbalance. It is certainly not welcome here at Coronation, and if there appears any evidence of it happening, we need to know because school is a safe place to learn and grow.

