

 141 Amos Avenue, Waterloo, Ontario N2L 2W8

June 2016

***Dear Centennial Families,***

As we look back on the activities and learning opportunities this year has presented, we remain amazed by the extraordinary level of dedication shown by every member of our school: **students, staff and parents/guardians.**

We wish to **congratulate all our students** on the completion of an excellent school year. As you entered in September, somewhat anxious about your new year, you quickly found your footing and continued to grow and mature throughout the year. You should be proud of all your academic achievements and all the new friendships you have developed this year.

We would like to acknowledge the efforts of each **Centennial staff member**, and express our appreciation to every single member of this team for their dedication and hard work. From engaging lessons to providing an array of extra-curricular opportunities, our students benefit greatly from your gift of time.

We would also like to thank **each family** for your continued support and partnership. Working closely with our families is critical to our students’ success, and we highly value our connection with each of you.

We would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate our **grade eight graduates** who have hit a milestone in their educational journey. Through hard work our grade eight students have completed their elementary schooling and will venture into the life of a secondary student next year. Well done!

Each year we also have to **say good-bye** to a few staff members and this year we sadly say good-bye to our **retiring** staff: **Mr. Foss, Mrs. Tasko, Mme. Taylor, and Mr. Goulden.** Thanks to each of you for your contributions to education throughout the many years you have been teaching. Each one of you have touched the lives of many students and families over the years and you will be greatly missed. We also are saying good-bye to **Mrs. Bumstead** who has developed and taught a very innovative science program here at Centennial. She will be teaching at Vista Hills PS next year. Thank you for all your work Mrs. Bumstead, you will be missed tremendously! We also must say good-bye to **Ms. Scott.** Ms. Scott thank you for all you have done over the year for our Centennial Lions! We wish you all the best and hope that our paths cross again.

As the year draws to a close, we wish everyone a safe and rejuvenating summer. For our grade seven students, we look forward to seeing you in the fall.

*With warmest regards,*

*B. Adams B. Weigel*

*Principal Vice-Principal*

**New Staff Members joining the Centennial Lions!**

**Welcome:** We wish to welcome **Mr. Owens** who will be teaching Mathematics and Physical Education/Health. He comes to us from Jean Steckle PS. Welcome **Mme. McKenzie** who will be teaching French Immersion Visual Arts and FI Language. She comes to us from Southridge PS. Welcome to **Mme. Krause** who will be teaching Core French. She comes to us from Sunnyside PS. We also wish to welcome **Mrs. Serviss** who will be teaching Physical Education and Grade 8 Language Arts. She comes to us from William G. Davis PS. We look forward to having you join our team in September.

**Bus Confirmation for September**

Student bussing information for next school year will be available on **August 22, 2016**. Parents can view their transportation details by going to [**www.stswr.ca**](http://www.stswr.ca)**,** and click on ‘Student Login’. Your child’s Ontario Education Number (OEN) will be needed. The OEN can be found on any previous report cards.

*Please Note: Any address changes need to be done through the school. If you are moving this summer, please contact our office with your change of address before the end of this school year.*

You can also visit [**www.stswr.ca**](http://www.stswr.ca)to see bus delays and cancellations, subscribe to receive e-mail notifications for late buses and closures, or to follow them on Twitter.

**OFFICE OPENS AUGUST 29, 2016**

**FIRST DAY PROCEDURES**

**Students should enter the gym when the bell goes at 8:35 and look for their name on the lists posted on the wall. Students should remain by the list. Teachers will meet the students in the gym and direct them to the appropriate room.**

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