



# From the Office...

It is hard to believe how quickly this year has passed, with the school year nearly at an end. We would like to thank all of our many volunteers and parents for your help, support and interest this year, with special thanks going out to our School Council members, who have planned successful community events, raising funds for our greening and outdoor classroom initiatives. We have had a very busy and successful year, and you as partners in the education of your children deserve much of the credit for that. We would also like to express our gratitude to all of our talented staff who work tirelessly throughout the year to enhance student learning and promote student wellbeing through exemplary instructional strategies and school events.

In staffing news, we say goodbye to several staff members at the end of June. We wish both Ms. Shantz and Ms. Irwin a happy retirement after almost 30 years in education! We also say farewell to the following staff members who are moving onto other schools in the fall: Ms. Olsen, Ms. Sanders, Ms. Fraser, Ms. Scott, Ms. Bennett, Ms. Byers and Ms. Reeve. We will miss you all and wish you well! In the fall, we welcome new staff members Ms. Coveny and Ms. Maclean, who will be joining our Kindergarten team.

It has been a pleasure and privilege working with our wonderful school community this year and serving the needs of our sensational Sandhills Suns! On behalf of Sandhills, we would like to wish you and your family a safe and a happy summer holiday.

Silvana Hoxha	
Principal	

Christine Hristov Vice-Principal

## Are You Moving?



If you are moving between now and the start of school in September, please let the office know ASAP. Trying to accurately predict our enrolment for next September is critical and allows us

to start our year with as few changes as As new families with school-aged possible. children move into our community, please invite them to contact the school, at 519-744-4430, as early as possible to discuss registration.

### In the Library

The end of the year is guickly approaching which

means it's time to get those wayward library books back in time for Zero Day! Do you know where your library books are?!!



Blue Spruce and Silver Birch winners were announced in May and the following books are the winners as voted by students from across Ontario.

Blue Spruce - "The Day My Mom Came to Kintergarten" by Maureen Fergus, illustrated by Mike Lowery.

Silver Birch Express - "Kung Pow Chicken" by Cyndi Marko

Silver Birch Non-Fiction - "Annaleise Carr: How I Conquered Lake Ontario to Help Battling Cancer" by Annaleise Carr and Deborah Ellis

Silver Birch Fiction - "The Night Gardener" Jonathan Auxier

Have a great summer Sandhills and keep reading!

#### Summer Dreaming



Help your child keep his or her math skills sharp this summer! If your child has a DreamBox

math tutoring license, make sure to encourage them to keep using DreamBox every day during the summer. Your child's DreamBox license will keep working until September 30<sup>th</sup>. Practicing DreamBox every day will help your child to remember the lessons that were taught this year and get them ready for next fall.

If you create a free DreamBox parent account, you can keep track of your child's progress. To create the free account, have your child log on to DreamBox and then click the link in the lower right corner of the screen.

### Lost and Found



During the remaining days of school, we will have a Lost and Found table set up across the hall

from the office. Please make sure you take a look at the staggering amount of jackets, shoes, hats, sweaters, lunch bags and MORE! The office even has a few pairs of glasses! All items that are not claimed by June 23<sup>rd</sup> will go to a local charity in our community. Thank you.

## Class Lists



For those who are already thinking ahead to September ... class lists will be posted on the library windows on Friday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. We will all meet on the tarmac behind the school Tuesday,

### School Supplies

September 8th at 8:35 a.m.

To avoid unnecessary purchases, please wait for letters from teachers in the new school year detailing what, if anything, needs to be supplied. One purchase we do ask you to make is for one pair of indoor and one pair of outdoor shoes.

#### Strong Start

Thank you to our special Strong Start volunteers



for their hard work over the past year. Your gift of time ... one-onone reading and small group instruction with our youngest

readers made a huge difference! If you would like to take part in this very important program, please call the office and leave your name and contact information.

# Congratulations!



Some of you have been here since Jr. Kindergarten, some not so long. But we will certainly miss all our Grade 6s as they graduate to the next school

along the way in their Educational career! Good Luck and Best Wishes to you in Grade 7. Thanks for the memories and make sure you drop in to visit!

# The Scoop on The Scoop

Stop the presses!! Read all about it....on line! Starting in the fall, Sandhills is hoping your family will choose to read the Scoop online rather than the school print over 450 paper copies. If you would prefer a paper copy, please contact the office and your oldest child will deliver one to your home.

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and of course our website http://shl.wrdsb.ca

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# Sandhills Hours for 2015-2016

Playground Supervision	8:20 - 8:35 a.m.
School Day Begins:	8:35 a.m.
First Nutrition Break:	10:35 - 11:15 a.m.
Second Nutrition Break:	12:45- 1:25 p.m.
School Day Ends:	2:55 p.m.

Please note 2<sup>nd</sup> Nutrition Break change for next year.

# Children Helping Children



Our Global Issues group would like to thank our school community for all the generosity and support that you have shown this year. We are

coming to the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of our 3 year goal of reaching \$10,000. By the end of June we estimate that we will have raised over \$7300!! Wow! This community acted locally to help globally and we are very grateful for that! Stay tuned for our fall fundraisers...we are so close!

### Have a great Summer!



See you in September!

