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Westminster Public School

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Principal's Message

It's hard to believe that it is time to write the final newsletter of the school year. Thank you to all of our families, staff and students for their support and flexibility that was needed by all to make it to June. We truly appreciate the amazing partnership we have with our Westminster families.

Thank you to our School Council for all their time and efforts this year. If you have interest in being part of school council please reach out to us.

September 2023

We are in the middle of the staffing process and Board is working on final classroom allocations due to increasing student registrations. Classroom teachers will once again email on the Friday before the start of school to communicate which homeroom your child will be registered in for the 2023-2024 school year.

The staff at Westminster wish you all a safe and relaxing summer holiday.

June is Pride Month



This is the Progress Pride Flag. The colors of the flag represent the many identities that are included as part of the LGBTQ2S+ community.

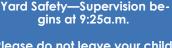
This is a reminder that we all belong at Westminster and within the UCDSB. EQAO: This year our school will participate in the online EQAO primary and junior assessments during school hours between May 31-June 14 (refer to class specific EQAO letter). The assessment will contain 30min blocks of Language and Math and can be completed over several small sessions.

Grade 6 Leaving

On **Monday**, **June 26th** we will have a celebration assembly for the grade 6 students. We will be having the entire school join us for this event. The students will be receiving certificates and shirts. Photos will be taken of each child and sent directly to the parent. After the ceremony our *Grade 6 students will have* a collective party and snacks at 2:30 to celebrate.

Clap out : On the last day of school the grade 6 students will be honoured with a clap out of the building at dismissal time on June 27th.

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Tuesday, June 27, 2023



If you have any questions or

concerns, please email your child's teacher or the office.

Please do not leave your child unattended on school property in the mornings before school begins.

Daily Schedule

9:30-12:00 Instructional Block & snack

12:00-12:40 Eat/Recess

12:40-2:00 Instructional Block

2:00-2:30 Eat/Recess

3:40 Bus Dismissal

3:45 Pick Up /Walkers













Helmet Fitting Using the 2V1 Approach.

By <u>law</u>, cyclists under the age of 18 must wear an approved bicycle helmet. For children age 16 and under, a parent or guardian must make sure they wear a helmet.

Follow Parachute Canada's 2V1 approach to make sure a helmet fits right!

- The helmet should cover the top of the forehead and should rest about **2** fingers' width above the eyebrows.
- Side straps should fit snugly around each ear in a "V" shape.
- Buckles on the side strap should fit right under the ear. Buckle the chin strap. Tighten it until you can fit only **1** finger between the strap and your chin.
- Shake your head from side to side and from front to back. The helmet should not move around.
- Make sure to check the fit of the helmet every time.

Check out this helmet fitting video: <u>Brain Waves - Helmet fitting activity - YouTube</u>. For more information on helmets visit: <u>Helmets for bicycles, inline skating, scooter riding and skateboarding – Parachute</u> (parachutecanada.org)

How Do I Send in Immunization Records to the Health Unit? There are 3 ways to send in this information:

Online submission tool

- Health Card not required but is very helpful information.
- We require proof of immunization provided to you by a health care provider. We are not able to accept summaries from an immunization tracking app.

ICON Online Tool

- You will need a valid Ontario Health Card
- You will be able to see what records we already have on file at the Health Unit
- Mail or drop off immunization records
- You can send to the Health Unit by mail, or drop it off at any Health Unit office location.
- For more information visit: Immunization Record Submissions Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit



Scholastic Book Fair

Stock up on your summer reading materials. The book fair will be available here at Westminster in the gym on June 13th to 15th. It will be open the evening of the Family Fun Night.



ICE CREAM





Parent Council and the Westminster staff are planning a fun evening of events for our Westminster families. This will be a celebration to acknowledge all the hard work of our students this year and to welcome in the summer holidays.

There will be a BBQ, book fair and fun events to participate in.

Date June 14 Time 5-7pm



From Monday, June 5th to Friday, June 16th we will be selling ice cream sandwiches for

\$2.00

