

PEACE BRIDGE PRESS

PEACE BRIDGE
PUBLIC SCHOOL



Home of the
POLAR BEARS

October 2017



Principal: C. Kohinski · Vice Principal: K. Libera · Secretaries: A. Oliver/M. Desilest

Principal's Message

Thanksgiving is the time of year we all reflect on our many blessings. Although life is filled with many challenges, this is the time of year we take a moment to reflect on the many wonderful things in our life. As we watch news highlights around the world, we quickly realize how lucky we are to live in Canada.

This month, we hope you will take a moment to reflect on those that love and support your family. As a staff at Peace Bridge, we are thankful for the role we play in your children's lives. Your children matter at Peace Bridge.

We are personally thankful for our family and friends, and our Peace Bridge community (students, families, volunteers, and staff). We wish the best to each and every member of our school family.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!
Mrs. Kohinski & Mrs. Libera



I Matter

At the DSNB, we strive to show all students how they matter: as individuals, as learners and as community members. Our students learn about the ideals of good citizenship and how they can become active participants in building a stronger community, locally and globally. We invite you to discover more about **I Matter** at dsbn.org/imatter

Office Calls

Our school office is a very busy place at the end of the day. Thanks in advance for making home-time pick-up arrangements for your child early in the day. Using your child's organizer is a great way to communicate if there will be changes to your child's schedule. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

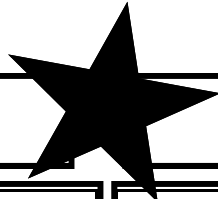


Upcoming Events

October 5	Celebration Assembly
October 5	Pizza Days Begin
October 6	PA Day
October 9	Thanksgiving Day
October 10	Kinder and PFLC Picture Day
October 11	Picture Day
October 24	Parent Council Meeting
October 31	Halloween



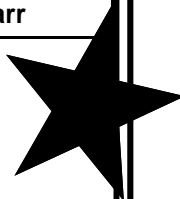
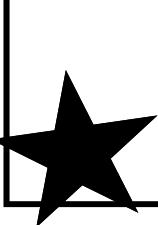
**PEACE BRIDGE SCHOOL'S
"HONOURED" STUDENTS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**



Character Trait Award - Respect	Academic Award
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Class	Student Name	Teacher Name
FDK 1	Vikram M. Penelope P.	MRS. NICK MRS. MELI
FDK 2	Emily S. Lucas B.	MRS. VANSOELEN MRS. NEVINGER
FDK 3	Charlotte C.	MRS. ROSSI MRS. DIMARCO
GR. 1	Sierra J.	MRS. THOMAS
GR. 1	Isabella L.	MRS. GROULX
GR. 2	Elwin J.	MRS. GOODWIN
GR. 2/3	Brycen C.	MRS. FOUGERE
GR. 3	Sylis J.	MRS. CAMERON
GR. 3	James D.	MRS. WRIGHT
GR. 3/4	Bianca M.	MRS. JOHNSON
GR. 4/5	Zoe C. Kayleigh C.	MR. GARRAH
GR. 5	Skylar S.	MS. ROSS
GR. 5/6	Neah S.	MS. PEGG
GR. 6	Allie K.	MISS O'SULLIVAN
GR. 7	Kaine B.	MRS. FOSTER
GR. 7/8	Olivia S.	MR. MOUSSEAU
GR. 8	Jacob R. Ashley H.	MISS COOPER
French	Hunter H.	Mme. Belaire Mlle. Karr

Class	Student Name	Teacher Name
FDK 1	Havanna N.	MRS. NICK MRS. MELI
FDK 2	Hanna J. Jarett C.	MRS. VANSOELEN MRS. NEVINGER
FDK 3	Niklas C.	MRS. ROSSI MRS. DIMARCO
GR. 1	Emellia M.	MRS. THOMAS
GR. 1	Emily W.	MRS. GROULX
GR. 2	Lintz L.	MRS. GOODWIN
GR. 2/3	Avery W.	MRS. FOUGERE
GR. 3	Audrey F.	MRS. CAMERON
GR. 3	Maddie K.	MRS. WRIGHT
GR. 3/4	Bruyere M.	MRS. JOHNSON
GR. 4/5	Gregory K.	MR. GARRAH
GR. 5	Malachi B.	MS. ROSS
GR. 5/6	Jayden L.	MS. PEGG
GR. 6	Nathanael K.	MISS O'SULLIVAN
GR. 7	Darren L.	MRS. FOSTER
GR. 7/8	Johnathon F.	MR. MOUSSEAU
GR. 8	Isaiah V.	MISS COOPER
French	Carly J	Mme. Belaire Mlle. Karr



Congratulations to all of our award winners!

Dreambox

Peace Bridge uses DreamBox Learning to enhance our math program. Best of all, this is available to be used at home as well! This program helps students to become flexible math thinkers and builds their mental math strategies. Dreambox can be accessed all year, including during school holidays. We would love for parents and guardians to encourage their child to access this fantastic resource at home. Students can even go to our school website, click on the DreamBox icon, find their class and get started. How easy!



Our Youth Counselor– Mrs.Grundy

Mrs. Grundy is the youth counselor at Peace Bridge Public. We are lucky enough to have her all day Monday and Wednesday afternoons, where she will be running full class groups, small groups, and one-to-one counseling. If you think your child would benefit from seeing the youth counselor, please speak with his or her teacher.

When To Keep Your Child Home

Please keep your child at home and away from others if he or she has any of these symptoms:
fever, rash, diarrhea, vomiting, sore throat, frequent coughing or sneezing, yellow or green discharge from the nose, ears, or eyes.

Contact your family doctor for advice about care and treatment.

Breakfast Club is Underway!



All students are welcome to start their day with a healthy breakfast. Every morning breakfast is served in the gym wing. Special thanks to our lead parent volunteer Arlene Harkins and also to our volunteers from Riverside Community Church. If you're interested in helping out, please leave a message for Mrs. Libera at the office.

2nd Annual Holiday Vendor Fair

Peace Bridge Public School will be hosting its 2nd Annual Holiday Vendor Fair in our school gym on November 23rd, from 4-7pm. If you are interested in renting a vendor space, or know someone who may be, please contact Mrs. VanSoelen via email for more information: kristy.vansoelen@dsbn.org





Free Money for Your Child's Future!

What is the Canada Learning Bond (CLB)?

The Canada Learning Bond (CLB) is a government program that gives \$500 in education money to children born on or after January 1, 2004 whose families receive the Canada Child Benefit Supplement (family net income of \$45,916 or less or more based on number of children).

Sound good? Keep reading...

- The Government will add \$100 more every year the child is eligible, up to age 15.
- Each child could get up to \$2000 (plus interest) in RESP contributions!
- NO family contribution is required
- The Canada Learning Bond is retroactive for children born 2004 or after

Great! Here is How You Get Started:

Go to: StartMyRESP.ca/EFNiagara

2017-18 Student Council

Introducing our Peace Bridge Student Council for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Hailey M.
- Olivia S.
- Sam S.
- Emma N.
- Aaron M.
- Tristan K.
- Declan H.
- Lexi H.
- Cici H.
- Mohammed M.
- Saige N.
- Natalie T.



Student Council will be organizing various events to promote Polar Bear Spirit throughout the year. Look forward to their upcoming spirit days and holiday food drive.

Grade 8 Students and Parents: Save the Date!

Fresh From the Farm Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone participating in the Fresh From The Farm Fundraiser. Please remember that orders are due on Wednesday, October 4th. Notice will be given a week in advance of delivery to the school. Arrangements can also be made to have orders delivered to your house by the PTA.



Starting high school is a huge step in a student's life. While it's definitely an exciting time, it also brings with it many questions, such as "What's life in high school really like? What programs and options are available to help me achieve my goals?"

A great way to have your questions answered is to attend an open house. Grade 8 students and their families are invited to attend High School Open Houses from November 27-30. Details about open houses will be shared with parents/guardians mid-October.

Greater Fort Erie Secondary Open House:
November 28th

A Note from Miss Cooper...

Miss Cooper's Grade 8 class has D2L up and running! D2L is a great way for students and parents to know what is happening in their Grade 8 classroom. You can learn more about homework assignments, project due dates, upcoming events and other information by checking out the D2L site.

Simply log in with your child's First Class email sign in information. From here you can even connect with Miss Cooper through email. If you have any questions feel free to contact Miss Cooper at shelley.cooper@dsbn.org



YMCA of Niagara Youth Action



YMCA Youth Action is returning to Peace Bridge on Wednesday nights! Youth Action is a recreation program for ages 9-14, where youth can join the YMCA staff team from 6:00pm to 8:00pm for gym games, sports, special activities and more! The YMCA staff will be here beginning the week of October 2nd and the best part is that Youth Action is totally free! For more information check us out on Instagram, or e-mail youthaction@niagara.ymca.ca. See you there!

Junior Co-ed Soccer

The Junior Co-Ed Soccer team travelled to Universe Soccer in Niagara Falls on September 28th for a full-day tournament. Our team demonstrated great sportsmanship and respect and responsibility on their trip to the semi-finals!

Team members included:



Jayden L.
Ezzo
Ronin
Kris
Connar
Kingsley
Nathanael
Gael
Nick A.
Hunter
Chloe F.
Olivia K.
Kylie
Jaelynn
Allie K.
Delilah
Emma
Riley
Ella
Avaia
Madi

Mr. Reinhardt
Mme. Belaire

Thanks to all for a great season!

Intermediate Boys Volleyball

Congratulations to the Intermediate Boys who made the Volleyball team. The season starts on October 11th.

Isaiah V.
Mohamed E.
Sam S.
Aaron M.
Aidan M.
Junior C.
Kharisma W.
Bryan S.
Noah P.



Boo-o-grams

The Me to We club will be holding their first campaign of the school year this October! We will be selling "Boo-o-grams" every day from October 16th to October 27th.

Boo-o-grams will cost .50 each. You can send a Boo-o-gram to any friend in our school. We will have nut free options. The Me to We club is a group of students in our school who campaign to help children in our community. Thank you for your support!



Calling all parents & caregivers

IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!

Join us for an evening of learning & FREE workshops!

Wed. November 1, 2017

4pm to 8:15pm at Eden High School
535 Lake Street, St. Catharines

Registration,
Food & Child Care
are FREE!

Register online at www.dsbm.org/pic

OR speak to someone in your school office for assistance



Early Bird Draw!

Register before October 4, 2017
and you could **WIN \$500 of support**
for your School and School Council!



Parenting Matters At DSBM

The DSBM Parent Involvement Committee invites you to join us for an evening of learning, sharing and networking with a focus on ideas for all DSBM parents, caregivers and School Councils.

Session Topics Include:

Mental Health, Special Education, Mathematics, Kindergarten, Transitions to Secondary & Post Secondary... and so much MORE!

4:00 - 5:15 Light Dinner and Educational & Community Agency Showcase
Cafeteria and Gym AB

5:15 - 5:25 Opening Remarks
Cafeteria

5:45 - 6:45 1st Session

6:45 - 7:15 Showcase and Refreshments
Gym AB and Cafeteria

7:15 - 8:15 2nd Session

Information about Child Care:

PRESCHOOL CHILDREN: Certified Early Childhood Educators will be available at Sven H. Dohnberg Centre. Enter the Eden High School parking lot (facing Lake St.), the child care centre is on the right.

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN: Children will be supervised by qualified teachers in the Eden Gymnasium.

CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE BY PRE-REGISTRATION ONLY AND WILL BE PROVIDED FROM 4PM TO 8:15PM. IT INCLUDES A LIGHT DINNER.



REGISTER ONLINE AT
www.dsbm.org/pic

DSBM Parent Involvement Committee

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