

## Chelsea Elementary School

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### Principal's Message

Dear Parent Community,

April was very busy with various Earth Actions. I want to congratulate the Chelsea students, staff, and parents for all their efforts to support student-led initiatives to act in the interest of the Earth.

Music Makers was a huge success and Chelsea participated with a choir of approximately 60 students. During their performance, the student voices were accompanied by those playing ukulele. It was a courageous and beautiful performance made possible by amazing volunteers, teaching staff, and parent support!



Peter Joynt, an Ottawa musician and motivational speaker, presented to our students last month sharing his story of living with a speech impediment. Peter emphasised the importance of never limiting yourself.

I would like to remind parents that during May and June, students participate in end of year assessments. *It is very important that students are present, arrive on time and are well rested in order to achieve to their potential.*

During the month of May we will explore the value of **perseverance**. Children can feel overwhelmed by challenges and it is important to equip children to deal with setbacks or disappointment. Encourage your child to use the language of growth; change, "I can't do this" to "I can't do this yet!". We will be exploring the importance of perseverance throughout the month.

Andrea Gage

Principal,  
Chelsea Elementary



### Upcoming Events

May 1<sup>st</sup> – Grade 6 FSL Exam begins

- Home & School 6:30 pm

May 2<sup>nd</sup> – Grade 4 FSL Exam begins

May 6<sup>th</sup> – Grade 6 ELA Exam begins

May 15<sup>th</sup> – Grad Photos @ 8:45

May 16<sup>th</sup> – Governing Board 6 pm

May 20<sup>th</sup> – Victoria Day Holiday

May 21<sup>st</sup> – Grade 5 Math Exam begins

May 16, 17-Bags2School Drop off

May 23<sup>rd</sup> – Spring Fling 3:00 – 7:00

May 24<sup>th</sup> – PD Day

- Kindergarten Open House 9 – 11

May 27<sup>th</sup> – Jungle Sport Week !

- Grade 3 Math Exam begins

May 29<sup>th</sup>- Home and School Annual General Meeting

May 30<sup>th</sup> – Grade 1 & 2 Meredith Centre

May 31<sup>st</sup> – Track & Field at Symmes/Darcy

## **Fun Club News**

Our next P.D. Day is May 23. Forms will be going home starting May 6<sup>th</sup> and must be returned by May 15<sup>th</sup>. No registrations will be accepted after that date.

Please ensure that your child has adequate snacks for the day, especially those that are staying until 5:00 or later. We have a number of students coming to the office every day saying they are hungry and looking for snacks.

## **GOVERNING BOARD**

Some of the items discussed at our April 11<sup>th</sup> meeting are as follows:

- Subject Time Allocation: We reviewed, discussed and approved the proposed STA for the 2019-2020 school year outlining, among other things, which classes will be taught in English vs French. STA will remain the same with the exception of Cycle 3.2 Physical Education which will now be taught in French. We will continue to work on identifying ways to increase our kids' exposure to French while maintaining Chelsea Elementary's excellent academic track record
- Bell Schedule 2019-2020: More time outside! GB approved the bell schedule for next year which accommodates an extra 10 minutes outside without changing the start/end times of the school day or time spent in class

Our next meeting will be held Thursday May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. All are welcome to attend, but please feel free to reach out to any of the parent reps to discuss anything related to GB business:

- Correne Giles ([cgiles@wqsb.qc.ca](mailto:cgiles@wqsb.qc.ca))
- Matthieu Hack ([write2matt@gmail.com](mailto:write2matt@gmail.com))
- Abeeha Hassan ([abeehahassan@gmail.com](mailto:abeehahassan@gmail.com))
- Patrick Hall
- Jennifer Olson, Parent Committee Representative on WQSB Parent Committee
- Marty Thomas, Board Chair ([marty.thomas123@gmail.com](mailto:marty.thomas123@gmail.com))

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## **Appointments/Late arrivals:**

We ask that parents notify the school by leaving a message or e-mail when you know that your child will be late or have an appointment. You can reach Ms. Larose at 819-827-0245 or e-mail her at [Chelsea@wqsb.qc.ca](mailto:Chelsea@wqsb.qc.ca).

## **Change of daily routine for any student:**

In order to keep students safe and on track at the end of day, parents must send written note in the morning for any end of day changes. **If notification is sent to the office later than 1:30 pm, we CANNOT guarantee that we will be able to accommodate the request.** Thank you for your understanding.

## **Dressing for the weather:**

Hopefully the Spring will arrive shortly! As the snow melts and the yard becomes messy, please be sure that your child is appropriately dressed for outdoor play! Splash pants and rubber boots are recommended to help your child stay warm and dry. **ALLOUTDOOR ITEMS SHOULD BE LABELLED!**

## Home and School News

### April's Craft Night

Our second Craft Night was a big success with about 30 crafters making cards and baskets. A big thank you to Sandi Bent who prepared and supplied all the supplies for two Easter themed crafts. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped serve food and assisted our crafters. As usual, we could not have done it without you!

### Our May Events

Bag2School - May 21st Do you have old towels that have seen better days? Bed sheets that are paper thin? Yucky rags? Socks that no longer cover your toes? Clothes with too many holes to be fashionable? Hold onto them!! We will be running our Bag2School fundraiser again May 21st (drop off days will be Thursday, May 16th and Friday, May 17th). To help raise the maximum funds for our school, please ask your relatives, neighbours and friends to go through their closets too – a team effort makes all the difference! Just a reminder, we accept old textiles, clothing, hats, belts, purses, footwear (tied in pairs), stuffed toys, linens, etc. - textiles only. A reminder, no toys, plastic, glass or wood please.

### Spring Fling - May 23rd

Our biggest event of the year is once again happening... get ready for SPRING FLING! This year, Spring Fling will be on Thursday, May 23rd, from 3:00 - 7pm. We have some new and exciting things coming your way this year, but still some of your old favourites... you can still get that BBQ meal deal and be ready to enter the raffle for those beautiful baskets! We have some new games on offer, including a new teacher torture option and this year a Scholastic book sale will be replacing of our used book sale. So mark your calendars for May 23rd and watch your emails for more details! We always need lots of volunteers, so we hope you will consider joining us for a shift this year, either from 3-5 or 5-7pm. We look forward to seeing you soon, and come on over to our website to pre-purchase your bracelets and your meals!

### Annual General Meeting - Wednesday, May 29th

We will be holding our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, May 29th. At the meeting we will be electing the Executive Committee positions of Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Membership for the next school year. If you are interested, please contact us at [Chelseahands15@gmail.com](mailto:Chelseahands15@gmail.com)

### How to get involved - next meeting is Wednesday, May 1st at 6:30, Chelsea School

This is a great parent community committed to supporting CE and the experience of our students and teachers. We love welcoming new members and increasing diversity on Home and School. All are welcome based on availability and interests. Interested in volunteering for an upcoming event or seeing what we do? Please send us an email and we will add you to our Volunteer distribution list. All are welcome to sit in on a meeting! Contact us at: [chelseahands15@gmail.com](mailto:chelseahands15@gmail.com).

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## May 2019 Perseverance

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
		1	2	3	4/5
	<b>Mazzola</b>	<b>Shawarma</b>  Gr. 6 FSL exam starts  H & S Meeting 6:30 p.m.	<b>Mazzola</b>  Gr. 4 FSL exam starts	Pizza	
6	7	8	9	10	11/12
Gr 6 ELA exam starts	<b>Mazzola</b>	<b>Shawarma</b>	<b>Mazzola</b>	Pizza Chelsea Stars Stewardship 8:30	
13	14	15	16	17	18/19
	<b>Mazzola</b>	<b>Shawarma</b>  Graduation Photos 8:45	<b>Mazzola</b>  Governing Board @ 6:00 p.m.	Pizza  Bags2School Drop off	
20	21	22	23	24	25/26
	<b>Mazzola</b> Gr. 5 Math exam starts	<b>Shawarma</b>	<b>Mazzola</b>  SPRING FLING 3 - 7 P.M. Homework Club Ends	PD DAY Kinder Open House 9 - 11	
27	28	29	30	31	
Grade 3 Math Exam begins  JUNGLE SPORT WEEK IN LARGE GYM	<b>Mazzola</b>	<b>Shawarma</b>	<b>Mazzola</b>	Pizza	
		Home & School AGM @ 6:30	Grades 1 & 2 at Meredith Centre	Track & Field WQSB	

