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"Believe, Persevere, Achieve"

This year has been off with a busy start! It is so refreshing to see some of our students return from virtual learning and getting back into the class routine. We were fortunate enough to gain an extra class to maintain appropriate class sizes.

The partnership between home and school is an extremely important part of your child's success. We are committed to working with you throughout the upcoming year as we foster the growth and development of all students at Lakewoods.

Please remember to complete a daily self-assessment for your child prior to coming to school.

We all look forward to meeting you on Thursday, October 6th from 4:00 to 5:30 for our Lakewoods Open House. Teachers will greet students and families at their classrooms during this time. Please join us on Thursday as this is our first full school gathering in several years.

Our first School Community Council meeting of the year will be on October 11th at 6:30pm. We will be meeting virtually, so if you are interested in being part of our SCC, please contact <u>Mr. Bozanis</u> at the school and he will send you a link to join.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with your child's teacher regularly throughout the year. Their email link is on our <u>Lakewoods website</u>.

We encourage you to get involved in your child(ren)'s learning and to express your interest in what they do at school on a continual basis through the school year. We know that each year brings with it many triumphs and challenges.

Please know that we value your participation as a member of the Lakewoods team.

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LUNCHBOX—via School Cash Online

Easy to Order School Lunches Are One Click Away



To create an account in 3 easy steps visit **www.lunchboxorders.net**

LUNCHBOX

We are happy to share that Lunchbox by SchoolCash Online will be offered at your school for the 2022/2023 school year.

Lunchbox is a convenient, online ordering platform featuring local vendors.

An ordering calendar has been coordinated for the school community and can be found on your School-Cash Online items page.

How to Order:

- 1. Go to your child's SchoolCash Online account items page and click "ORDER NOW".
- Confirm your child's account information including their new teacher and grade for the current school year. **Please ensure the correct teacher and grade are selected to prevent errors on delivery days.
- 3. Proceed with ordering your child's lunch on the school's ordering calendar by clicking on the blue date for the scheduled vendors.
- All orders are submitted on the website and payment is processed on-line by Visa, MasterCard, Discover, Debit MasterCard or Visa Debit. Visa and MasterCard prepaid cards are also accepted.

Student Accident Insurance

Providing safe learning environments is a strong and constant focus at the Durham District School Board. Families should however recognize that there is always a potential risk of injury with field trips, sports and other student activities both on and off school grounds. Accidents can happen, despite precautions to prevent them. Accidental injuries may involve medical, dental or other expenses not covered by provincial health care or employer group plans.

Please be aware that the Durham District School Board does not provide accident insurance coverage for student injuries. For your convenience, we do make available a Student Accident Insurance program through Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada. This program offers a variety of plans and benefits at affordable prices.

All rates are one-time annual premiums. The insurance agreement is between **you** and **Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada**. For complete details please refer to the *insuremykids Protection Plan* information/application form or visit their website at: <u>www.insuremykids.com</u>.

Any questions should be directed to Old Republic Insurance Company of Canada toll free at 1-800-463-5437.

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Safe Arrival—DDSB Automated System

To enhance our absence procedure, the DDSB utilizes a student absence reporting system called **SchoolMessenger Safe Arrival.** Parents may now choose to report your child's absence in advance, or before bell time for the current day in 1 of 2 ways: **Toll Free Number (1-844-350-2646)** or SafeArrival website (<u>go.schoolmessenger.ca</u>). Download option for cellular use available. Online registration is not necessary for those parents who only wish to use the toll free number to call in absences. Both phone and online options will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. As part of this program, we will also be continuing with an automated notification system that will contact parents when a student is absent, but no notification was relayed to the school.

Thanking you in advance for reporting all absences.



Its Your Birthday!

Some students love to celebrate their birthday with their classmates. With the current situation and many allergy concerns of our students, we are to avoid bringing any type of food treat to the classroom to share with their classmates. A great alternative is to donate a book to the classroom and inscribe with a special note including the students name and date!

Colder Weather will be arriving soon

Take the time today to try on your winter clothing before the weather gets even colder. We would like to remind our students to dress appropriately for outside recess and lunch hour. We also suggest that each student keep an extra pair of socks in their backpack for wet and colder weather. The school has a supply of gently used rain boots, winter boots and a variety of coats. If you have a need—please contact the office or your homeroom teacher to arrange sizing. These items are FREE for our families.

Pediculosis

If you discover that your child has become infected with head lice, please notify the school to ensure we can inform our families! We suggest that you regularly check your child(ren)s hair to help control the spread . If you discover that your child has become infected, please take every

No Treats Please!

In an effort to continue with our **Healthy Eating initiatives**, we are requesting that students limit their "special snacks" following Halloween night and leave the sweets at home instead of bringing them to school.

We are asking parents to monitor the treats that make their way into the lunch bag after this special day. We thank you in advance for your cooperation.



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Spirit Week Oct 25-31st



Open House: Thur Oct 6th

We look forward to meeting you on Thursday October 6th at our Meet the Teacher Open House. School will be open form 4pm—5:30pm. Please visit your child(s) classroom, introduce yourself and see where your child(s) spend their day.

Take a moment to visit our gym-we have gently used books that are free to a good home!

Dates to Remember		SAFE ARRIVAL
Oct 5th	National Walk to school Day	1-844-350-2646
Oct 6th	Open House 4-6:30 pm	attendance.ddsb.ca
Oct 10th	Thanksgiving—school closed	Please report planned absences in advance by contacting the above Safe Arrival options.
Oct 11th	Cross Country Meet @ Trail Hub, Uxbridge	Download app <u>go.schoolmessenger.ca</u>
Oct 18th	Photo Day!	STUDENT VERIFICATION
Oct 20th	Cross Country Regionals	Www.ddsb.ca Parent Portal https://www.ddsb.ca/en/family-and-community-support/parent- portal.aspx
Oct 24th	PA day—school closed	<u>portal.aspx</u>
Oct 25th	Immunization Clinic— Intermediate students	SCHOOL CASH ONLINE
Oct 25-28th	Spirit week	ddsb.schoolcashonline.com
Oct 28th	Halloween Dance Day	School Cash online is a web based solution that
Nov 11th	Remembrance Day	 gives parents the ability to pay for student items online. Have your students OEN# to set up today.
Nov 17th	Photo Retake Day	

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