

September 2011

Quaker Road School



DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA

The Comet

Quaker Road School Welcomes You Back!

Welcome to the 2011-2012 school year! It promises to be one full of excitement, learning and growth.

We have some new initiatives happening at Quaker Road this year. The Ministry has implemented a School Food and Beverage policy so some of our school food programs and such are being modified to align with the directives. Watch for more information or visit www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/healthyschools/policy.html

As a school, we are continuing to educate the 'whole child' and are focusing on sup-

porting students' developing social and emotional well being. For more information about Character in Action, please visit the DSNB website at www.dsnb.org.

We would also like to welcome a number of new staff to Quaker Road. We all look forward to meeting you and your families at our Meet the Teacher BBQ on September 22.

Finally, we would like to wish the Quaker Road Community a fantastic 2011-2012 school year and we look forward to working together for our children

Bell Times

8:35am- Playground Supervision Begins

8:50- Entry Time

9:00- 1st Period

9:50- 2nd Period

10:40- Nutrition Break

11:00- Fitness Break

11:20- Entry

11:25- 3rd Period

12:15- 4th Period

1:05- Nutrition Break

1:25- Fitness Break

1:45- Entry

1:50- 5th Period

2:40- 6th Period

3:30- Dismissal



Communication with Us

Communication between home and school is an essential part of a successful education for your child. Please be sure to contact the office and let us know if your child will be absent or late for any school day. The phone number is **905-732-5412, extension 37600**.

Please leave a message in the event that we are unable to answer your call.

Additionally, each teacher has their own voice mail so should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact that teacher by giving them a call.

Finally, please visit our website for the newsletters, calendars and staff information (including voice mail box numbers). This can be found by visiting www.dsnb.edu.on.ca/Schools/QuakerRoad

We are looking forward to a great school year!

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Principal: Mrs. J. Romano
Vice-Principal: Mrs. K. Kosh
Superintendent: Mrs. S. Greer
Trustee: Mrs. S. Barnett

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For the past two years, Quaker Road School has tried to support the environment through an attempt to print as few newsletters as possible. Instead of printing hard copies for every family, we are posting our monthly newsletters online and asking families to please visit our website instead.

We understand that not every family has access to the internet and in order to support all of our families, if you would like to continue receiving a hard copy of "The Comet", please return the completed portion of this newsletter section below to your child's teacher. We will then send one copy home with your child each month.

If we do not receive notice from you that you would like to continue receiving a hard copy, we will assume that this means you are reading "The Comet" online.

Yes, please continue to send a hard copy of "The Comet" home with my child.

Family Name: _____

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Annual Magazine Subscription Fundraiser

S.O.S

"Save Our Subscriptions"

We will be running our annual magazine subscription campaign again from Sept. 23 to Oct. 11 and would appreciate your continued support.

Although there are other companies that may ask for you new and/or

renewal magazine orders, it would be very much appreciated if you didn't renew your subscriptions, but waited for our campaign to start so students can take your orders. A large portion of the funds stay here in our community. This year we are once again planning on using some of the funds raised to purchase more technology for our school.

Thank you in advance for "saving" your magazine orders and helping make our future campaign a great success!



Things to Note...

AGENDAS

As in past years, students are expected to use the Quaker Road Agenda to track their academic and extra-curricular responsibilities. **Please send \$7.00 with your child** to cover the cost of this very important communication tool.

LOCKERS AND LOCKS

For all students in grade 4-8, a lock is required for their locker. Please send \$5.00 to cover the cost of the locks if your child is in one of these grades. If the lock is fully functioning at the end of the school year, students have the option of a refund.

VOLUNTEERS

With a school as big and as busy as Quaker Road, we can always use a spare set of hands. If you have some time that you would be willing to share with a classroom or student here at Quaker Road, please stop into the office and speak with Mrs. Kosh. We would love to have you!

Important Phone Numbers and Websites for Parents

Quaker Road School

905-732-5412 (phone)

www.dsbnet.edu.on.ca/schools/quakkerroad

District School Board of Niagara

905-641-1550 (phone)

www.dsbnet.org

Niagara Student Transportation Services

905-346-0290

www.nsts.ca

“Who’s Who” at Quaker Road

The 2011-2012 school year brings many new faces to our staff line up here at Quaker Road. We wanted to take a moment to ‘introduce’ everyone on staff here at Quaker Road.

Here is our starting line-up!

Our Kindergarten Team:

Mrs. Cahill and Ms. Boon

Our Primary Team:

Mrs. Ellis, Mrs. Bernard, Mrs. Longo, Mrs. Toews– Peplinski, Mrs. DeGasparis, Mrs. Pieterse and Ms. Sodtke.

Our Junior Team:

Ms. Sodtke, Mrs. Shannon, Mr. Secord and Ms. Fulford

Our Intermediate Team:

Ms. L’Ecuyer, Mr. Bootsma and Mrs. Tonnos

Our Special Education Team:

Mrs. Hoover, Mr. King and Mr. Han-nahson

Our Educational Assistant Team:

Ms. Boissonneault, Ms. Dobrin, Mrs. Erdely, Ms. Mazzon, Ms. Menary, Mr. Middleton, Ms. Molyneaux, Ms. Schmaltz and Ms. Dionne

Our Support Team:

Mrs. Secord, Mrs. Caplan, Mrs. Johnson-Abo Nassar, Miss Sims

Our Office ‘Team’:

Mrs. Comfort

Our Caretaking Team:

Mr. Murphy, Ms. Fralick, Ms. Deblois and Ms. Egerter

Our Lunch Supervisor Team:

Ms. Walma, Ms. Merritt and Mr. Holmes

Our DSBN Team:

Ms. Sue Greer (Superintendent) and Ms. Sue Barnett (Trustee)

Our Administrator Team:

Mrs. Romano (Principal) and Mrs. Kosh (Vice-Principal)

***Please be aware that our staffing is based on projected enrolment and may change at the end of September depending on the actual enrolment of our school. Once the number of classes and students are confirmed, staff allotment will be confirmed and set as well. Thank you for your support and understanding.*



Key Dates to Remember

Thursday, September 22

5:30-7:00pm

MEET THE TEACHER BBQ

Join us for a meet the teacher BBQ and take a moment to meet the staff!

Friday, September 23

MAGAZINE KICK-OFF

Purchase your magazine subscriptions through us to support the school’s fund-raising efforts!

Friday, September 23

12:30pm

EARLY RELEASE DAY

Please make sure that you have arrangements made as students will be home early!

A Note from Niagara Region Public Health

School Based Immunization Clinics

Did you know that every year in Canada, 1,400 women are diagnosed with cervical cancer and more than 400 will die from it?

Almost all cervical cancers are caused by a Human Papillomavirus (HPV) infection.

The HPV vaccine is an important medical advancement that makes cervical cancer a preventable disease.

Once again this year, the HPV vaccine called Gardasil® will be offered free to **all female Grade 8 students** through Niagara Region Public Health’s school-based immunization clinics. In addition, the Hepatitis B vaccine and the Meningococcal vaccine called Menactra® will be offered free to **all Grade 7 students**.

Parent/student information packages will be coming home with your child in September. Clinic dates and times will be announced through your child’s school.

For more information, speak to your school nurse or call the Vaccine Preventable Disease Program at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7425.



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QUAKER ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 PD Day	2 Board Holiday	3
4	5 Victoria Day Holiday	6 Welcome Back!	7	8	9 Agenda Money Due (\$7.00)	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Bring Back the Wild – Biodiversity Show	20	21 Milk Orders Due	22 Meet the Teacher BBQ 5:30-7:00pm	23 Early Release Day @ 12:30pm Magazine Kickoff	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	