# the LINCOLN NEWS

LINCOLN CENTENNIAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF NIAGARA

348 Scott Street,
St. Catharines, Ontario
Telephone: (905) 937-5110

Website: lincolncent.dsbn.org
Twitter: @lincoln_dsbn

## Welcome Back Lions!

**We are so excited to be welcoming you all back to school! A warm welcome to our new students and families! We hope that all of our Lincoln Centennial families have had a safe, healthy and enjoyable summer. We know that with everyone's positive support, we will create an amazing, healthy and safe learning environment for our students.**

**Our staff has been busily preparing and adapting their practices to meet the safety standards with students for the upcoming year. A big thank you to Mrs. Addy and Mrs. Ferguson for getting the office ready for the start to the school year. Thank you to Mr. Toner for making our school look sparkling clean!**

**This year, we are embracing the DSBN motto of "Kind-Calm-Safe-Learning," along with our school motto of "We are Unity". We will be emphasizing school community and spirit, while being focused on doing our best to ensure the safety and well-being of our students.**

**We hope that you have taken some time to read through the "Parent Return to School Guide: In Class Elementary" prepared by the DSBN. It contains valuable information regarding your child's return to school. Please don't hesitate to contact our staff if you have any questions or concerns as we are here to support your child's learning.**

**Looking forward to a fantastic year,**
***Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Parkhouse***

**Our first day back is Tuesday, September 7th**

**It is essential that any medical conditions or concerns are brought to the attention of the office. It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to inform us if their child has a medical condition. An Emergency Action Plan/Plan of Care will be created for students with medical problems, such as Severe Allergies (Anaphylaxis), Epilepsy, Asthma, or Diabetes. A form entitled, *"Plan of Care"* must be completed by a Parent/Guardian and the Principal. Any student requiring medication, and those that have any special medical conditions, will need to complete forms for the new school year. Please don't hesitate to contact the office if you have any questions.**

### Our Bell Times

9:00am– *Entry*

*10:40-11:20: First Break (Gr 4-8)*

*11:20-12:00: First Break (Gr 1-3/4)*

*12:40-1:20: Second break (Gr 4-8)*

*1:20-2:00: Second Break (Gr 1-3)*

3:20pm-*Dismissal*

**Please note your child's teacher will communicate their break times to you.*

BOOMERANG LUNCH

**In our efforts to be eco-friendly, any of your child's leftover food, garbage, containers and recyclables will be returned home in their lunch bag each day.**

## Nut Aware

We have several children in our school who face the daily challenge posed by life threatening allergies.
We ask that all students **DO NOT** bring peanut butter, Nutella, peanuts or tree nuts of any kind to school and that you do the best you can to eliminate products that may contain nuts from school lunches and snacks.
We are doing all we can as a community to provide a safe environment for all students.

## Lunch Drop-Off

At this time, we are asking that parents/guardians **NOT** drop lunches off at school during the day.

Please send your child with lunches and snacks in the backpacks to school each morning.

Thank you for understanding.

## EarlyON

Located in Lincoln Centennial School, this drop-in program is for families with children aged 0-4 years of age.

At this point, the program will be offered virtually until further notice.

## Crossing Guards

For student safety, we have crossing guards in front of the school, at the corner of Vine and Scott and also at the corner of Scott and Geneva 8:30am-9:00am and again at 3:20pm–3:50pm.

Please note that there are no crossing guards at lunch/break times.

# Lincoln Staff 2021-22

The class organization is tentatively set. Please note that changes may still occur if our enrollment changes this first week.

| | |
|---|---|
| Kindergarten | Mrs. Tenyenhuis & Ms. Garon |
| Kindergarten | Mrs. Forrester & Ms. General |
| Kindergarten | Mrs. Saxton (a.m)/Ms. Nagy (pm) & Mrs. Wright |
| Grade 1 | Ms. Trozzi |
| Grade 1/2 | Mrs. Domanico |
| Grade 2/3 | Mrs. Keyes |
| Grade 2/3 | Ms. Wall |
| Grade 3 | Mrs. Belliveau/Mrs. Peat |
| Grade 3/4 | Mrs. Cornelius |
| Grade 4 | Mrs. Barton |
| Grade 4/5 | Mr. Davidson |
| Grade 5/6 | Ms. Vandermeer |
| Grade 6 | Mrs. McMahon |
| Grade 7/8 | Mr. Ethier |
| Grade 7/8 | Mr. LaFleur |
| French | Mme Gatt |
| Prep | Ms. DiPaolo |
| Prep | Mrs. Mann Wybrow |
| Prep | Mrs. Ceballos |
| FSP | Ms. Johnson |
| LRT | Mrs. Drummond |
| LRT/Prep | Mrs. Belliveau (p.m.) |
| ESL | Mrs. Helliwig; Mrs. Pennington |
| EA | Ms. Abass |
| EA | Mrs. DiVincenzo |
| EA | Mrs. Tighe |
| EA | Miss Ferguson |
| EA | Mrs. Bobinski |
| EA | Ms Roblin |
| EA | Mr. Johnson |
| Youth Counsellor | Mrs. Paone |
| Social Worker | Mrs. Sartor-Fry |
| Secretary | Mrs. Addy; Mrs. Ferguson |
| Custodian | Mr. Toner |
| Lunch Supervisors | Mrs. Beaupre |
| Vice Principal | Mrs. Parkhouse |
| Principal | Mrs. Phillips |

We are looking for a lunch supervisor each day from 10:30—2:00 p.m. If you are interested in this paid position, please contact the school office (905-937-5110) for further information.

*We Are* UNITY

# Reporting Absences

Your child's safety is of our utmost concern. To ensure the well-being of your child/ren, it is imperative that the school be aware by using the School Messenger system. Please see instructions below.

Students who are late must report to the office to get a late slip without parents. Students leaving school early must be handed off to a parent at the front door.

# SWIS

## New to Canada?

The SWIS team is here to help. Our settlement workers can provide support to families new to Canada. Please let the office know if you would like to meet with a worker.

## Grades 1-8: What to Bring to School

- **Masks** (labelled with your child's name)
  **-Grades 1-8 students** will require masks
  -please send a mask or two in a labelled bag or container to keep in their backpack
  **-Kindergarten students** may choose to and are encouraged to wear a mask

- **Labelled Outdoor Clothing**
  -in addition to fitness breaks, a portion of your child's learning will include outdoor learning and breaks for mask relief

- **Labelled Pair of Indoor Shoes**
- **Labelled Water Bottle**
- **Lunch**
- **Labelled Backpack**
- **Labelled Hat and Sunscreen**

- **School Supplies**
  -students are welcome to bring their own supplies, such as pencil crayons, markers, glue stick, scissors, pencil case

# Breakfast/Snack Program

This year, we will continue to offer the "grab & go" snack program within each classroom at Lincoln due to Covid 19 Safety Precautions.

<u>Please note that the program will NOT be operating immediately.</u>

This will begin later this month.

*Show your* LION *Pride*

At this time, the Milk Program and Pizza days will be on hold.

**A reminder that dogs are not allowed on our school grounds. When dropping off or picking up your child, please ensure your dog is leashed and off school property.**

**Please be sure to fill out all first week forms as soon as possible! This helps us to ensure we are creating a safe environment for all of our students.**

# School Visitors, Volunteers and Parent Access to School

All visitors (including parents) to our school must use the buzzer at the main front doors. At this time, access to the building is restricted as per Public Health and the DSBN protocols. If you are picking up your child early for an appointment, we ask that you call the office and arrangements can be made for your child to be waiting at the front doors for you.

These measures are in place for the safety of our children and we ask that you recognize our concern if we stop you and ask where you are going and how we might help you.

## Entry and Dismissal Procedures

****Our Entry and Exit protocols have changed as we do not want people gathering in and around the school, as per safety guidelines (DSBN, Public Health).**

**Entry:**

- Kindergarten and Primary students are to enter at the primary gate (to the left of the school). Staff will greet you at the gate. On the first day of school, all staff will be available to help take students to their designated area/teacher.
- Grades 4-8 students are to enter at the junior/intermediate gate (to the right of the school). Staff will greet you at the gate.

**Exit:**

- Grades 4-8 students will exit as per usual out the junior/intermediate doors and gate. Parents must receive their child on the other side of the gate.
- Kindergarten and Primary students will be lined up along the wall/fence and will be handed off to parents as they arrive (Parents: please stay behind the gate).

## TRANSPORTATION

To find out if your child receives bus transportation, please go to www.nsts.ca for information.

You will need your child's OEN number (located at the top of your child's report card).

**Please note**

- students in grades 1-8 **must** wear their masks on the bus
- Kindergarten students are encouraged to wear a mask on the bus.
- All bus students will have **assigned** seating.

# Parking Lot

Our new parking lot looks amazing! Please remember that our parking lot at Lincoln is a ***very*** busy place both before and after school. We have several busses that must enter and depart as scheduled. We are once again asking for everyone's cooperation and we remind everyone that there is no stopping to pick up students. **Please do not drive or park in the designated 'bus drop off area/fire lane', follow the arrows and keep the flow of traffic moving.** Parking is available in the parking lot as long as parents are parked in a **designated parking space**. If you are picking up your children, please review parking lot safety with them. Students are discouraged from walking across the parking lot and must remember to use the roadside sidewalk or the path in front of the school. We would encourage all students to walk as a healthy alternative if at all possible. Please help us to make this as safe an area as possible. We appreciate your support in this matter.

# School Cash Online

It is important to register for School Cash Online. It is a safe and easy way to make school purchases and give permission for your children. All events, school trips, pizza, sub and milk orders will be posted to this site. Permission slips are done online for class trips (cost or no cost).

**It is easy to register. To do so please follow these steps:**

- **Log onto www.dsbn.org/schoolcash**
- **Select "register now" and complete the steps (using YOUR name)**
- If you have any questions, please contact the office! We are happy to help with this!

# Character Education

Each month, staff and students focus on a specific Character trait.

The following are the themes for this school year:

September - Lion's Pride
October- Respect
November- Responsibility
December- Caring
January- Integrity
February- Optimism
March- Perseverance
April- Courage
May- Cooperation

At the end of each month, every classroom will select the student who has most displayed the characteristics of the trait of the month. These awards will be handed out in class.

As well, we will celebrate our Lion's Pride award winners. This award will be given to students who have demonstrated excellence over the course of the month.

In June, one student from each classroom (K-7) will be selected for a CITIZENSHIP award. This individual is someone who is kind and inclusive of his or her peers and helps others and the greater community.