

## **Gagetown School**

"Soar with the Eagles"

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Good day Gagetown School Parents and Guardians

Welcome to another year at Gagetown School. The opening day went well, despite the hot and humid temperature, with the students and staff transitioning well into a new school year. We are delighted to announce that Gagetown School has welcomed both returning and new families to the school community. We have however, seen a decrease in enrollment this past year, but we continue to be excited to hear that families with young children are looking to move in the area.

As we head into the school routine, we wanted to remind you of a few items:

- 1) Welcome Back BBQ: Please book the date: Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00 for Gagetown School's *Annual Welcome Back BBQ*. See you on the 8<sup>th</sup>! This will also be an opportunity to hear more about the Parent School Support Committee (PSSC) and we hope that you will consider sitting on this Committee.
- 2) <u>Student Information Form:</u> Thank you to most of you for completing and returning the student information sheet. If you have not yet done so, please submit them as soon as possible as this information is inputted in our student information system. Thank you for your cooperation!
- 3) <u>Student Fee:</u> Thank you to parents/ guardians who have already submitted the \$20 student fee per child or \$30 per family. If you have not yet done so, this is a friendly reminder. If you would like a receipt, please contact the office and one will be issued to you.
- 4) <u>Student Volunteering Opportunities:</u> Students from grade 3 to 8 are encouraged to volunteer for several committees and clubs, such as the Student Leadership Club, Canteen, Adopt a Grandparent, Nature Club, etc. Students are asked to complete a form. Please encourage your child to volunteer as these opportunities help to foster leadership and citizenship.
- 5) School Canteen: Students can purchase items, such as milk, yogurt, crackers, baked chips, Sun Chips, Veggie Chips, etc., from the canteen every lunch hour and during Friday's recess. Please note, this year, the milk price has gone up from .65 to .75 cents (this increase is due to an increase in the mike prices). A list of items with the prices can be found on the School's website.
- 6) Extra-Curricular Activities: Middle Level Soccer practices have begun. Students in grade 5 to 8 are invited to participate on the team that competes against other schools. Practices are held on Mondays and Wednesdays, after school from 2:45-4:15. We are still looking for players. Thank you to Stu, Ron and John for coaching the team!
- 7) <u>Home and School Association:</u> A letter from President Jenny McConchie was sent home earlier this week. Please consider volunteering for the hot lunch program, special events or fundraising opportunities.
- 8) <u>Gagetown Fair:</u> Students from grades 3 to 8 have been working hard in creating floats for the Parade. Come cheer them as they travel through the Village on Thursday, September 15th. Students from Kindergarten to Grade 2 will send the older students off. A permission slip will be sent home on Monday for all students participating.
- 9) <u>Terry Fox Run:</u> We will be collecting donations from students and staff as we celebrate the 36<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Teachers will begin accepting donations on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. We will also be planning our own "walk/run" around the Village on Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. More information will be sent home, including a permission form. We encourage parents, guardians and community members to participate.

We are looking forward to working with all of you in 2016-2017!

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