



# At The Beech

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We are into the mad craziness of June! EOAO, class trips and special events make this a busy and exciting month! Make sure you check the calendar so you don't miss anything!

Our full colour Yearbook will be arriving shortly and students who ordered copies will be receiving them as soon as they arrive. The yearbook does a great job of capturing the events and activities of the past year. Congratulations on a great job to Ms. Madill and the rest of the yearbook committee.

The year for our great group of grade eights is swiftly coming to a close and they are very excited to be headed off to high-school next year. The seven's and eight's will be heading off to Ottawa on June 13th for their year end trip and the grade eight graduation will be on Thursday June 21st.

As the year comes to a close we have a handful of staffing changes ahead and we will be hiring into July to fill our positions for next year. First of all,

next year Beechgrove will have a Vice Principal! We will find out later in June who the Vice Principal will be. We will also be saying good bye to Ms. Smith, Ms. Johnston and Ms. Muntz who have done a fantastic job of filling our temporary positions this year.

We will be using our School Connects phoning system to contact parents during the last week of August to let you know your child's teacher for the coming year.

Enjoy a fun filled summer with your family.

Paul Goldring



**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Twin Day

June 8th

Amazing Race Finals

June 11th

Regional Track & Field

June 12th

Primary Track & Field

June 14th

Grade 8 Graduation

June 21st

Last Day of School

June 28th

## PARENT COUNCIL

Taking extra time to give to the school community is a valuable effort and we all know that it isn't always easy or possible. Volunteering, whether it is joining in fundraising efforts, lending a hand to deliver lunches or helping with your child's class, makes a big difference and is very much appreciated! Many of the events and ongoing programs such as the MBPS Lunch Orders, rely on volunteers to make them work. A huge thank you to all who make it happen!

We were fortunate to be able to add some alternative lunch options, and throughout the year, adjustments were made allowing the whole process to run smoothly. Being able to order online

will save paper and make it easier for people to pay. Hopefully many of you took advantage of it this month so we can see how it will work and if it will be implemented for the next school year.

The Scholastic Book Fair was well received. Thank you everyone who came and purchased a book or two! Having reading material that is accessible and supports a wide range of interests and levels is important. It is also an opportunity to put some new books back into the classrooms. The next meeting is on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm. There will be free childcare. Have a fantastic summer!

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## GRADE 8 GRADUATION

Our Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony will be held on Thursday, June 21st. We wish all graduates the best as they move on to high school and work on obtaining their high school diploma.

More information regarding graduation will be coming home soon.

## MBPS LUNCH PROGRAM

We would like to thank the parent council for all their hard work organizing our lunch program for the year. It takes lots of time and hard work keeping the program organized and getting the subs and pizza to our school each and every week.

**Katrina, Robyn & Jamie**



## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Thank you for your support for our successful book fair held in May. Thank you to our Parent Council and Ms. Muntz who volunteered their time setting-up and selling books. We are excited to put the money raised towards new resources for our school.

An extra big thank you goes out to our parent volunteers who made this possible:

**Katrina, Robyn, Jamie & Keltie**

Our Character Trait for the month is  
**Self Control**

Self control means self discipline and taking charge of yourself. You act instead of react.

## TRACK AND FIELD

On June 12th Grades 4-8 students who qualified at our school's track and field meet will be travelling to Gravenhurst High School to participate in the Gravenhurst Regional Meet. It is a day of athleticism, team work and fun. Please make sure to come dressed in our school colours, bring water bottles, hats, sunscreen, proper clothing and running shoes to participate. GO BEECHGROVE!



On June 14th, Grades one to three will be participating in a mini track and field day. The grade 6 students will be running this wonderful event, which is based on participation and fun. Each student will receive a participation ribbon. Go Beechgrove!

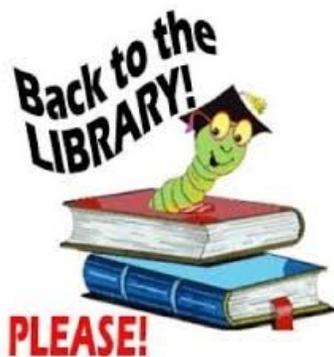
## YEARBOOKS

The Yearbooks are on order and should be arriving at our school in the near future. Once received in the school, we will be sending home all orders with students. We hope you enjoy looking through the book with your child. Our Yearbook Committee spent many of their breaks taking pictures and in the library working on the computer program to put the yearbook together. They did a great job and we are always amazed at their wonderful ideas. We hope that you enjoy the book and the many memories it holds.



## LIBRARY BOOK RETURNS

The last day for checking out books was Friday May 18th. All books should have been returned to the library by Friday, June 1st. Please check at home for library books and return them with your child(ren), as we are in hopes to do a complete inventory prior to year end. We will be sending home overdue notices shortly.



## GRADE 6 FIELD TRIP

Ms. Durocher's Grade 6 class along with Mme. Barrett are going on a French Learning experience on Thursday, June 7. They will be visiting Fine Thymes restaurant in Bracebridge where they will enjoy a French breakfast, learn about breakfast traditions in France and practice their French speaking skills.

## PLANNING FOR SEPTEMBER

As we organize the process to place students in classes for September, we thought you might be interested in how we approach this important task.

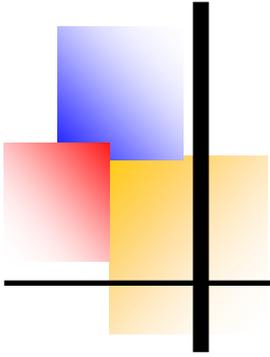
Our school Staffing Committee has proposed a school organization based on the number of teachers we have been allotted (actual teacher names for classes have not yet been finalized). Due to movement and growth, final decisions about class placement are not made until the end of the summer. In the meantime, we meet with teachers as a team to place students into the next grade. The teachers are prepared to group the children so that there are a variety of academic ability groupings in each class. This allows for equity in access to the teacher's time and for the ability to create a reasonable number of reading, writing and math groups.

There are many other variables to consider as well. For example, teachers sometimes recommend students be kept together or separated because of the positive or negative influence on each other's learning. Other issues requiring careful thought include special needs such as health concerns, resource and withdrawal needs, and male/female role models (where a choice exists).

We appreciate your trust in our professional judgment for balancing all the considerations mentioned above. If, however, you have a special request (i.e. female/male role model, a health or social issue) be sure to put your request in writing to the principal. Keep in mind that academic groupings are our highest priority so sometimes requests cannot be accommodated.

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# JUNE 2018

Character Education Theme

**SELF CONTROL**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				3	1 PA Day No School	2
3	4	 5	6	 7	8 Twin Day	9
10	11 Amazing Race Finals	 12 Regional Track & Field	13 Grade 8 Trip	 14 Primary Track & Field Grade 8 Trip	15 Grade 8 Trip	16
17	18	 19	20	 21 Grade 8 Graduation	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Last Day of School	29 PA Day No School	30



Milk & juice is sold  
daily for  
\$1.00



Delivery days  
Subway



Delivery days  
Pizza Station



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Together*

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