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CENTENNIAL Public School

141 Amos Avenue, Waterloo, Ontario N2L 2W8

*We show respect, we work together! We'll make a better school, now and forever!
Friendship, diversity, leadership too! We use these "keys" to improve me and you!*

September 2014

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Welcome to Centennial Public School! We are all very excited to begin our new year and look forward to our partnership with you throughout 2014-2015. As we begin our new year, our focus on the 3 "A's," - academics, athletics and the arts - will continue, in addition to our 5 "C's," - community, curriculum, caring, collaboration and co-curricular.

Middle school is an important two years as students enter adolescence years, and the staff at Centennial know and understand how best to support all our students at this very unique age. Centennial staff always strives to establish a positive learning environment conducive to the cognitive, emotional, physical and social development of our students. Our mission is to provide rich and varied educational opportunities that contribute to the strong positive self-image of each student, and that reflect a deep and abiding respect for the needs, feelings, heritage and rights of all. We know your children are in for a fantastic year at Centennial!

At Centennial, we believe that success depends on respect for others and self, a positive attitude toward accepting and meeting new challenges, and contributing to the school and broader community.

Our relationship with you is important. If you have any classroom issues, we encourage you to contact your child's homeroom teacher or subject teacher. Our teachers are a great resource and will be happy to help you. Additionally, if you have any questions, suggestions, or concerns, please feel free to contact me or the vice-principal, Mr. Hughes.

Happy New Year,

Mrs. B. Adams, Principal

STAFF 2014 - 2015

Mrs. B. Adams, Principal
Mr. B. Hughes, Vice-Principal

Teachers Assignment

Mr. J. Bumstead.....	Math, Special Education
Mrs. T. Bumstead.....	Science & Technology
Mrs. J. Byrnes.....	English, Hist./Geog.
Mr. A. Foliott.....	English, Math
Mr. J. Foss.....	Health and Phys. Ed.
Mrs. H. Fowler.....	Science & Technology
Mme. M. Gerster.....	French Immersion
Ms. R. Goodall.....	Enrichment Class
Mr. A. Goulden.....	Health and Phys. Ed, Special Education
Ms. L. Grant.....	Music (Strings)
Mrs. B. Haygarth.....	Life Skills Class
Mr. G. Kauk.....	Visual Arts, Special Education
Ms. L. Piva.....	Math, Guidance
Mme. A. Prendergast.....	French Immersion
Ms. W. Salvador.....	ESL
Ms. J. Scott.....	English, Hist./Geog.
Mme. C. Simmons.....	French Immersion
Mme. J. Smith.....	French Immersion
Mrs. A. Spoltore.....	Music (Band), Guidance
Mr. G. Swan.....	Math, Physical Education
Mrs. M. Tasko.....	Phys. Ed., English, Hist./Geog.
Mme. S. Taylor.....	Core French
Mrs. L. Varnava-Wyman.....	English, Hist./Geog.
Ms. M. Watson.....	Math, Special Education
Ms. L. Woolner-Melko.....	Language, Hist./Geog.

Educational Assistants

Ms. S. Mathys.....	EA Life Skills
Mrs. C. Cooke.....	Educational Assistant
Mrs. M. Craddock.....	Educational Assistant
Mrs. D. Finlayson.....	Educational Assistant
Ms. K. Finnie.....	Child and Youth Worker

Support Staff.

Mr. M. Cooper.....	Night Custodian
Mrs. C. Robbins.....	Head Secretary
Mr. L. Zettel.....	Head Custodian
Mrs. P. Hachman.....	Secretary
Mrs. M. Tajibnapis.....	Library Clerk
Mrs. M. Todrovoric.....	Night Custodian

Staff Update:

New to our staff this year is **Mrs. Hachman** who has joined our office administration team. You can find her in the main office working alongside Mrs. Robbins. We also welcome **Ms. Mathys** our Educational Assistant in room 6 with Mrs. Haygarth. Ms. Mathys comes to us from Sir John A. MacDonald Secondary School.

We welcome back **Ms. Piva** to Centennial PS. She is teaching Mathematics and Guidance and has returned to Centennial from a one year exchange position in Qatar. Also re-joining our staff are **Ms. Woolner-Melko** who will be teaching English Language Arts and History/Geography and **Ms. Scott** who will be teaching 806 (Language Arts/History/Geography) while Ms. Bender is on maternity leave. We also wish to welcome **Mrs. Tasko** back full time. She will be teaching 807 (Language Arts/History/Geography) and Physical Education.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tue. Sept. 2.....	Opening day
Tue. Sept. 9.....	Meet the Teacher Night, 6:30 p.m.
Mon. Sept. 15.....	Student photo day
Thu. Sept. 18.....	Immunization for Gr. 8 girls - HPV #1
Fri. Sept. 19.....	P.D. day (no school for students)
Tue. Sept. 23.....	School Council 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Sept. 24.....	Immunization - all Gr. 7s - Hep B #1/Menactra
Fri. Sept. 26.....	Spirit Splashdown Day
Mon. Oct. 13.....	Thanksgiving Day holiday
Wed. Oct. 15.....	Year-end trip information night
Tue. Oct. 21.....	School Council 6:30 p.m.
Mon. Oct. 27.....	Photo retake day
Fri. Nov. 7.....	P.D. day (no school for students)**
Mon. Nov. 17.....	Grade 8-9 information night
Tue. Nov. 25.....	School Council 6:30 p.m.
Fri. Dec. 12.....	Immunization - Gr. 8 girls - HPV #2
Tue. Dec. 16.....	Holiday concert
Dec. 22-Jan. 2.....	Winter Holidays

PD DAY - September 19th. & November 7th:

Friday September 19th is a designated Professional Development Day. Students do not attend school that day. P.D. day activities support the Board's overall goal of optimizing learning and achievement for all students.

Magazine Fundraiser

This year Centennial P.S. will be running a Magazine fundraising campaign. Funds raised from our campaign will be used to support the rich programs offered at Centennial.



Centennial Web Site & E-Updates:

Visit and bookmark our school web site at : <http://cnw.wrdsb.ca>
 It's easy to receive the latest school news and alerts right in your inbox!
 -Visit our school web site: <http://cnw.wrdsb.ca>
 -Enter your email address in the left menu bar, or click the 'Follow' tab at the left of the screen.
 -You'll receive an email asking you to 'click-to-confirm' the subscription.
 Opt out anytime. Stay in touch with Centennial all year long!

PLEASE NOTE: Last year's MailChimp subscribers must RE-SUBSCRIBE by following the instructions above.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Mr. B. Hughes, Vice Principal

Attendance Check &

Personal Information If your child is going to be late or absent from school due to illness or appointment, **please phone the school attendance line at (519)570-8064 ext. 3138.** When you call, please say the child's first and last name, homeroom or teacher, reason for absence, your name and relationship to the student. It is important that we are notified each day your child is absent from school. The attendance line is available 24/7. Please advise the office of any changes to your personal and/or contact information so that we may quickly reach parents/guardians as the need arises.

Emergency Preparedness

In keeping with our Board policies and procedures, we will be holding various emergency drills over the past few weeks. The purpose of the drills is to practice the way we would need to perform in the event of emergency. We will be holding three fire drills and one intruder and tornado drill.

Immunization Program: We will hold our first school immunization clinic for all grade 7 students Wed. Sept. 24th and grade 8 girls on Thurs. Sept. 18th. Our remaining clinics are as follows:

- Fri. Dec. 12, 2014— Gr. 8 HPV #2
- Thurs. Apr. 2, 2014 – Gr. 8 HPV Dose #3
- Fri. Apr. 10, 2014 — Gr. 7 Hep. B Dose #2;

If you have any questions or concerns, or if you miss one of the dates, please contact Region of Waterloo Public Health at 519-575-4400.

Food Related/Perfume Allergies

Some of our students have life threatening allergies that require vigilance and co-operation from the school community.

Please refrain from bringing to school **ALL NUT PRODUCTS AND/OR PRODUCTS** that MAY contain nuts, as well **ANY PERFUME-BASED SPRAY PRODUCTS OF ANY KIND.**

If your child becomes diagnosed with a severe allergy, or any medical condition that requires medication, management or support while at school, please contact the office as soon as possible.



School Bus Safety:.....Mr. B. Hughes

Please visit our school website for school bus safety update
 @ <http://cnw.wrdsb.ca>.

Safe Welcome:

Safe welcome is coming to Centennial this fall. With our Safe Welcome program, all visitors to the school will need to call into the school from outside the front doors and wait for the office to let you in to the school.
 More information will be forthcoming.