



PUT THIS on YOUR CALENDAR!



School Picture Day: Sept 24

Every Thursday starting Sept 14th



Early Release Day: Sept 14 PM (12: 00 / NOON)

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D I S T R I C T S C H O O L B O A R D O F N I A G A R A

September 2018 Have you seen our new sign? WOW!

Welcome to all our “new- to –our-school” and returning students! It is with pride that we present our new school sign. You will have reminders on it about upcoming events and items of interest. There is more work to be done on Pine Street including the new and improved cross walk south of Metcalfe Street. City of Thorold has worked very diligently as a partner in student/family safety to remove the tracks, improve the traffic flow and still have drivers mindful that they are travelling in our school zone. Inside the school , new boilers were installed. The school is very clean, floors gleaming (We appreciate all the your hard work over the summer months, Mrs. Durish!) and classrooms ready to welcome students.

The school is organized and we are ready to being the new school year! Welcome to the following teachers that have joined us: Mr. Ridgway, Mr. Azzano, Ms Sokach, Mr. Tayler, Miss Plat, Mrs. Travers and Mrs. McIlroy. See the complete list of staff on page 2 of this newsletter.

Breakfast club



Open Daily: 8:35 am beginning Friday, September 7, 2018.

All students are welcome until 8:50 am



The first WHOLE classes that returned their updated Student Verification Form were Grades 1/2 and 3 /4. Free pizza lunch for them!

**NOTE:** we need your information asap

We are a **Nut Aware** School. As part of the ongoing safety awareness at POW. We adhere to a total nut aware policy throughout the entire school parents and children need to be mindful of any products containing nuts when preparing lunches or snacks. As well, staff and students are allergic to fragrances and animals, so our school is **scent and dog free!** If your child has allergies, please let your child’s classroom teacher know.

Any time you have a question, concern or need help with something, please contact your child’s teacher or the office. We are here to help and we are keen to make “every day matter”.

Let’s work together to make this an awesome school year!

Sincerely,  
*Mrs. S. Lawrence*  
Principal



# MEET OUR STAFF

**Principal**

Mrs. S. Lawrence

**Office Manager**

Mrs. L. Jones

**Head Custodian**

Mrs. M. Durish

**Character Education Focus:**

**Respect/Responsibility**



Grade	Teacher
K1 with DECE	Mrs. A. Gracey, Mrs. S. Miller
K2	Mrs. C. McIlroy AM Mrs. C. Travers PM
12	Ms J. Holtby
12	Ms K. Hentig
34	Miss. S. Plat
45	Mr. P. Tayler
67	Mr. C. Roepke
78	Mrs. P. Bishop
French	Mr. L. Azzono
Prep Coverage	Ms S. Sokach
Learning Resource	Mr. M. Ridgway
Instructional Coach	Mrs. A. Bingham
Youth Counsellor	Ms C. VanderBelt
Social Worker	Ms J. Niceliu
Educational Assistants	Ms K. Godin Mrs. S. Post Mrs. C. McPherson Ms L. Diskoff PM
Regional Health Nurse	Mrs. K. Bath

**Staff are on duty: 8:35 am daily. For safety sake, plan to have your child arrive at school for this time and not earlier please. Be on time : Classes begin at 8:50 am!**

**Early Pick-up:** On occasion, it may be necessary for you to come to the school to pick up your child while our classes are in progress. Please take a moment to jot the information down in your child's agenda (or on a note) for the teacher to see. Upon arrival at the school, please come to the office and Mrs. Jones will notify your son's or daughter's teacher and your child will be sent down to the office at this time. As to minimize missed time in the classroom, it is preferred that students are in class not waiting at the office. Thanks!



## School Advisory Council

We are looking forward to a great year. You are all invited to our meetings and our first meeting for School Council will be to elect our executive members: Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and members at large. Our meetings will be held on the second Monday of each month. **See you Monday, September 10 @ 6:30 pm.** Our meetings are held in the Staff Room. Any questions please call our School Office @ 905-227-1321.

**Parent Involvement Conference is NOV 1 !  
Come and attend workshops and enjoy the evening with us!**

### Lunches:

We are on a balanced school day. Our students eat twice, once at 10:30 and again at 12:50, before going outside. Many primary students are eating all of their lunch at first break and do not have enough food for second break. Please ensure that your child brings enough for both breaks. Healthy drinks need to be in re-sealable containers or juice boxes. Also, spoons and forks are not provided, so please send these along too if your child requires them. Thanks!

### Rowan's Law Day

On September 26, Rowan's Law Day will be observed by our school. This is a day to increase awareness about the danger of concussions, and to positively promote injury prevention.

Rowan's Law was created after Rowan Stringer, a 17-year old student died after sustaining two concussions. Because she did not tell anyone about her injuries or how she was feeling with her family, coaches, or friends her concussions went untreated.

By observing Rowan's Law Day each year and educating our school community about concussions, we hope to promote a culture of safety at our school.

Purple was Rowan's favourite colour, so we are asking students to wear purple to school on September 26 – it could be a purple shirt, socks, a ribbon – something to represent Rowan.

In the interest of student safety, it is important that we account for each students' s absence at prince of Wales School. It is imperative to contact the school to report an absence before 8:50 am The phone number is 905-227-1321. For your convenience, we have a 24 hour answering service at all times.

**School Agenda: Supplied at no cost to you!  
Encourage your child and help set routines!**

Not sure how to use it beyond writing down daily homework? You're not alone!

#### Agenda Basics: Students should:

- Bring it to school every day
- Bring it to every class
- Write down all assignments , homework
- Bring it home at night and have parents initial it
- Take it out of the book bag and consult it
- Repeat every day

#### Take agenda skills to the next level ! Students should:

Use the agenda to:

Prioritize workflow

Look at all homework and assignments on the page and determine what's most important/ needs to be completed first. Use A--B--Cs to assign importance. (If math is due tomorrow, but history isn't due for 2 days, assign math an A and history a B.)

Time themselves

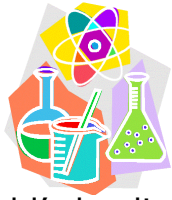
Keep track of how long each assignment takes to complete. (This is a good way to practice estimating how long future tasks might take to complete.)

Countdown to tests

Not just mark a test date down on the actual day; use the pages leading up to that date to create a study countdown.

- Write the test day in the agenda on the day of the test.
  - Turn to the previous date's page, and write something such as TEST IN 1 DAY.
  - Repeat on every preceding day until today's date, counting up as you move backwards.
  - Schedule study time every night between now and the test. (IF no test, read for 30 minutes, review notes.)
- Move incomplete tasks forward
- When an assignment is completed, check it off. If a task is unfinished, Agendas are not just for school. They're a great place to keep track of extra--curricular activities, chores, sports, even parties and get--togethers.
- Use the month--at--a--glance page: Write down regular activities as well as upcoming deadlines and projects to get an idea of how busy the month is in a single glance.

## Mad Science Club



Mad Science, the world's leading provider of educational and entertaining science programs for children is coming to Prince of Wales Thorold! They will be getting kids excited about science with fun, entertaining and exciting activities and demonstrations.

Students and teachers will be thrilled on 20/Sep/2018 when Mad Science comes to the school to do a Spectacular Science show. The assembly will be educational, entertaining and also the kick off to the Mad Science Club. The Club is a 4-week science enrichment program offered to the students. Students who join the Science Club will go on a voyage of discovery designed to support the Ontario Science and Technology curriculum. The topics will be different this year than when Mad Science was last at the school. The Club will take place on Thursday, Oct 4, 11, 18, 25 from 10:30 AM - 11:10 AM. Mad Science also performs Birthday Parties, Camps and Special Events. Give them a call at 905-937-1878 and watch out for them in Malls, at Fairs, Festivals and Scouts and Guides.

BILL 31 AMENDMENTS - HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ACT

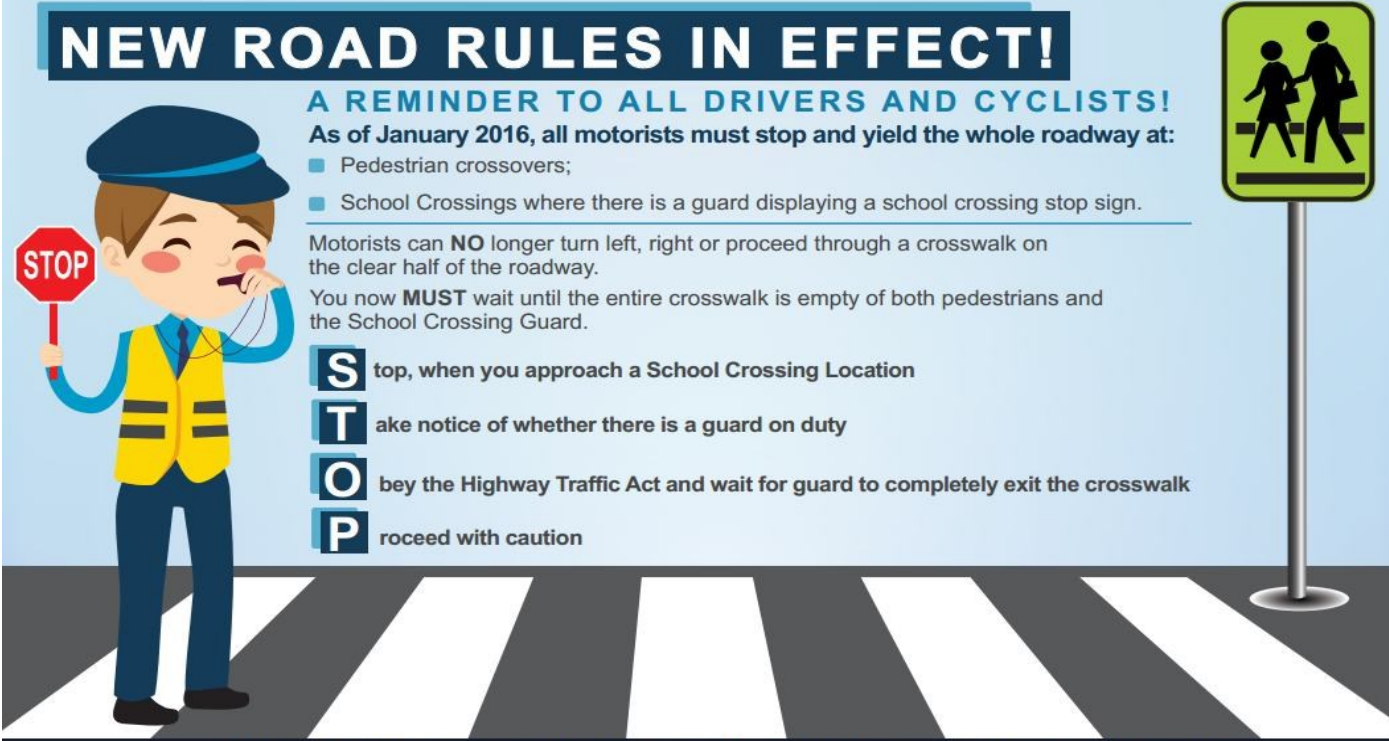
# NEW ROAD RULES IN EFFECT!

**A REMINDER TO ALL DRIVERS AND CYCLISTS!**  
As of January 2016, all motorists must stop and yield the whole roadway at:

- Pedestrian crossovers;
- School Crossings where there is a guard displaying a school crossing stop sign.

Motorists can **NO** longer turn left, right or proceed through a crosswalk on the clear half of the roadway.  
You now **MUST** wait until the entire crosswalk is empty of both pedestrians and the School Crossing Guard.

**S**top, when you approach a School Crossing Location  
**T**ake notice of whether there is a guard on duty  
**O**bey the Highway Traffic Act and wait for guard to completely exit the crosswalk  
**P**roceed with caution



THIS REMINDER IS BROUGHT TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PARTNERSHIP OF SCHOOL CROSSING PROGRAMS ACROSS THE NIAGARA REGION:

