



# Prince of Wales Post

## Prince of Wales School, Thorold, Ontario

September 2016 Mrs. Sue Lawrence, Principal  
Phone 905-227-1321



### Message from the Principal

Happy New Year School Community!  
A special welcome to this school year 2016-2017. I am looking forward to getting to know you and your children. I am impressed with the amazing staff that we have at POW Thorold and their sense of dedication and commitment to education. The school is organized and we are ready to begin a great year! If you have a question or a concern, please call the school and let us know. We are here to help. As we move forward into the school year you may hear more about "I matter". That is the DSNB strategic plan that will also be seen within our school. You matter! Your children matter! Let's work together to make this a wonderful school year!

*Mrs. S. Lawrence*

Principal

### Early Release Day

Friday, September 16th is an early release day. Students will be released at 12:00.

### School Picture Day

School photos will begin at 9:00 am on Monday Sept. 26, 2016. More information will follow shortly.

### Yard Supervision

Teachers are not on duty until **8:35 am**. Please ensure

that your child does not come to school before 8:35am.

### School Organization – as of Sept. 6th- subject to change

Mrs. Lawrence	Principal
Mrs. Belding/Ms. Goulding	FDK
Mrs. Gracey	FDK
Mrs. McIlroy	Gr. 1
Mrs. Cressey	Gr. 2
Mr. Davidson	Gr. 3
Mr. Roepke	Gr. 4
Mr. Sacco	Gr. 5/6
Mrs. Bishop	7/8
Mrs. Hilliker	LRT
Madame Fenwick	French
Mrs. Smythe	Instructional Coach
Mrs. Disher	Educational Assistant
Mrs. Godin	Educational Assistant
Mrs. Humphrys	Educational Assistant
Mrs. Post	Educational Assistant
Ms. Hofland	Youth Counsellor
Mrs. Harwood	Secretary
Ms. Fretz	Caretaker
Mrs. Senske	Lunch Room Supervisor

### Tuck Shop

Starting Tuesday, Sept. 20th, the Tuck shop will be open every Tuesday and Friday during our second nutrition break. We will be offering many healthy snacks, including milk. Most items cost \$1.00. **Please send in exact change as it makes it easier!**

### Pizza Day

Every Thursday, beginning Sept. 15, we will be offering pizza for \$1/slice.

## No Nuts!

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.

## Student Agendas

Use of the student agenda is an effective tool for our students. and they were handed out the first week of school. We hope that students will feel a sense of responsibility and ownership in the use of this time management and communications tool. Teachers will instruct the students on how to use the agenda and the value in doing so. We appreciate your support in helping your child to manage the use of their agenda.

## Student Verification Forms

Please review and complete the student verifications forms and return them to the home room teacher as soon as possible. **It is extremely important that we have a local emergency contact number for you at all times.** Thank you

## September Character Trait: RESPECT & RESPONSIBILITY

At Prince of Wales, we are working hard to assist our students in developing a positive value system. We will continue to emphasize positive character traits with our students. We hope all families will support our

emphasis. **Character matters for success!**

## 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 food 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! Thank you!

## Early Pick-Ups

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. Harwood 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, children are not permitted to be waiting at the office@ for pick-up.

## Reporting Absences

In the interest of student safety, it is important that we account for each student'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. We have an answering service at all times.



## Parent Council

Special thanks to our parents who have contributed to the school last year. The following positions are up for election: chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer. Now is your chance to make a difference at Prince of Wales. Please fill out the form below and return it to the office. **Our first meeting will be Wednesday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm. All are welcome!!** Please note that although the Council is involved in fundraising, the main function of our Parent Council is to support school initiatives and educational decisions for our children.

### Prince of Wales Parent Council

Please consider my name for membership on the Prince of Wales parent council.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in the following position:

Chair \_\_\_ Vice Chair \_\_\_ Treasurer \_\_\_ Secretary \_\_\_ Member \_\_\_

### Volunteering

Dear parents:

For several years Prince of Wales has benefited from a parent volunteer program. It is through this program that the learning opportunities for the children have been significantly enriched.

Once again, the staff invites all parents and guardians of the students to volunteer their time, skills and resources. If you wish to be a volunteer, please fill out the form below and return it ASAP. Your child's teacher will contact you to make further arrangements.

YES, I would like to volunteer. Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_