



Today's Learners, Tomorrow's Leaders

September 6, 2022.

Dear Jack Callaghan Families,

Welcome back! We are excited to start a new school year and the adventure it brings. We are geared up to bring more events, more opportunities and more excitement than we have been able to have over the past two years. Some things have changed and some things will remain the same. The purpose of this newsletter is to provide you with information about the upcoming month and tools to keep you informed.

Electronic Communication

I would like to start by informing you that this will be the ONLY paper newsletter you will receive this year. With the current paper shortage everyone is experiencing, at Jack Callaghan we are looking for ways to reduce our use of paper. The first being monthly newsletters. For the remainder of the year the monthly newsletter will be emailed to families, and posted on our school website and social media accounts. Please check that you received this newsletter electronically. If you did not, please contact the school to make sure we have your correct email address on file. We don't want you to miss any information coming from the school. In addition, we encourage families to access the school website calendar to keep up to date on what and when things are going on here at the school. Finally, we will continue to send out report cards electronically as well. Therefore, having the correct information in our system will help us get the information to you quickly and efficiently.

Be sure to follow us on social media as well. Our twitter, facebook and instagram accounts are all @JackCallaghanPS.

New Bell Times:

A reminder to all that our bell times have changed.

Drop off and morning recess now begins at: 8:55 AM

Our school day starts : 9:15 AM
Our first nutrition break and recess will be from 11:15AM - 11:55AM and our second break is from 1:35PM - 2:15PM.

The dismissal bell is now 3:35 PM and pick up will begin after the final bell.

Dates to Remember in September:

Cougar/Purple Day - September 9

Meet the Teacher Night- September 13

Terry Fox Event - September 23

Orange Shirt Day - September 29

PA Day - September 30



Meet the Teacher and Book Fair

- ★ Back this year is our Book Fair running from September 9th to 15th.
- ★ On Tuesday, September 13th we are excited to host a Meet the Teacher night from 5:30 - 6:30pm. This event will be outside on our basketball courts. We will be selling popsicles at the event as our first fundraiser. The book fair will also be open in the library for families.



Staff Changes

We will see some staff changes this year. We would like to say farewell and thank you to a few Cougars that will not be with us this coming year. As you know, Mrs. Warren retired at the end of the school year, and we would like to share that Mrs. DeVries also retired over the summer. We wish them all the best in their retirement. Ms. Hughes, Mme. Wilbur, Ms. Hudson-Winger, Ms. Cavan and Mrs. Jennings (aka Ms. Mandy) will all be moving on to new adventures at new schools. Ms. May-Bailey will have a new adventure of her own as she is off on maternity leave.

Jack Callaghan welcomes back some familiar faces. Ms. Gignac will join our kindergarten team. She started her career here at JCPS and has returned to us. Back from family leaves are Mrs. Belton, Mrs. Cameron, Mrs. Evans and Mme. Rowbotham. We are excited to have these cherished staff members return to us.

We also say goodbye to Mrs. Mulcaster as she moves over to Lady Eaton and wish her all the best in this new opportunity! With Mrs. Mulcaster leaving, we welcome Ms. Chapman as our new Vice Principal here at Jack Callaghan. Ms. Peebles will be stepping into the head secretary position and we know she will be amazing! Her part-time position has been posted and we will share with the community the successful candidate, once the hiring has taken place.

Our Amazing Jack Callaghan Staff:

JK/SK Ms. J. Gignac and Mrs. D. Jones
JK/SK Ms. J. Blakeman and
SK/1 - Mrs. H. Roundsky
Grade 1 - Mrs. S. Barnes
Grade 1 - Mrs. S. Belton/Ms. A.Reid
Grade 2 - Mrs. J. Brown
Grade 2/3 - Mrs. L. Evans
Grade 3 - Mrs. S. Richardson
Grade 3/4 - Mrs. L. MacPherson
Grade 4/5 - Mr. D. Short
Grade 5 - Mr. R. Reynolds
Grade 6 - Mrs. L. VanKooten
Grade 6/7 - Mr. S. Thomas
Grade 7/8 - Mr. M. Tomlinson
Grade 8 - Mrs. D. Mattiussi

French - Mme. H. Rowbotham
French/Prep - Ms. A. Carter
Music/Prep - Mrs. E. Cameron
SERT - Mrs. S. Smith

EA's: Mrs. L. Grof, Mrs. J. West, Ms. M. Saunby, and Ms. A. Moores

Secretaries: Ms. V. Peebles and ... TBA

Custodians: Mr. J. Graham and Mrs. S. Lubsen

Principal: Mrs. L. James
Vice Principal: Ms. C. Chapman



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Our Website

<https://jcp.tlds.on.ca/>



Daily Screener

Many of the regulations surrounding COVID-19 have been, and continue to be, changed and updated. We often have calls surrounding the current measures. Please review the daily screening tool each day. This is our guide for staff or students in determining if they should be attending school based on their current symptoms. This screener can be accessed by clicking on the icon below, or accessed on our Jack Callaghan Public School and Trillium Lakelands District School Board websites.

Water bottles/Hydration Station/Fountains

- We encourage students to bring their own water bottles to fill throughout the day from our hydration station.
- Water fountains are now open, so we will no longer be providing students with paper cups to fill from the hydration station.

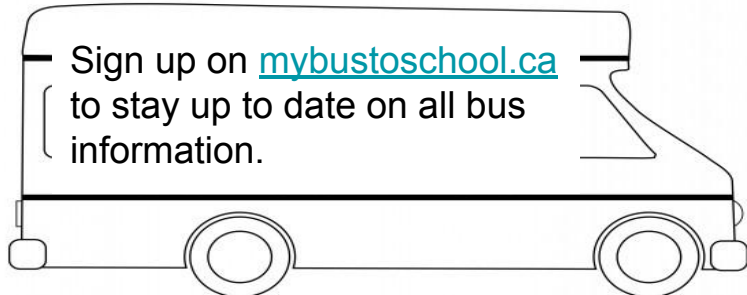


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PEANUT-FREE

Jack Callaghan is a peanut free facility. Please do not send food products containing nuts. In addition, WOW butter is not permitted.

Sign up on mybustoschool.ca to stay up to date on all bus information.



SCHOOL COUNCIL

- WATCH FOR INFORMATION COMING THIS WEEK TO JOIN OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL
- GOT QUESTIONS? BE SURE TO ASK US AT THE MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT

Please label everything coming to school. Each year we donate a large amount of clothing and articles that are not labeled and not claimed.