



DeWitt Carter Public School

Dragon's Digest

October 2022 "Responsibility"



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DeWitt Carter Public School Mission Statement

"Our mission is to support student learning in a safe environment where all students are motivated to learn and are willing to take risks so they can become positive contributors to our society."

A Message from Mrs. Beck

September has come and gone so fast! There is so much positive energy in the building as we begin to feel a sense of "normal" with lots of activities and learning opportunities returning. Students, staff, and caregivers walked to support the Terry Fox Foundation raising money for cancer research. Our cross-country team participated in their first meet at Memorial Park and are looking forward to their next meet on Monday. Soccer tryouts have begun and planning for volleyball is underway. Our student council is up and running and I know they are going to have great goals to achieve this year! We had our first parent council meeting and plans are already underway for the return of our Halloween nighttime social (October 27th). Select students participated in "Paint a Plow" decorating a Port Colborne snowplow...we are the reigning champs, so we hope to win the school contest again this year! We had our first try at a "flash mob" at our awards assembly and the kids NAILED it! I am looking forward to seeing if October can match the successes of September.

As always, please feel free to contact me at anytime with questions or concerns.

Message to Parents

"The District School Board of Niagara (DSBN) is committed to fostering diverse, equitable, and inclusive learning and working environments that promote acceptance and protect individuals from discrimination and harassment based on the protected grounds under the Ontario *Human Rights Code*. Creed and/or religion is one of the grounds that is both an individual right and a collective responsibility. The DSBN recognizes and embraces the creed diversity represented in its students, staff, and community members.

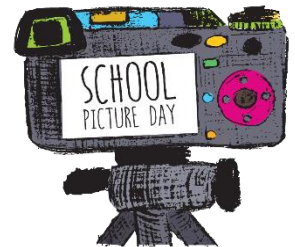
In recognition of this commitment, we have now added "Creed Based Day" as an option to the School Messenger. Families reporting student absence(s) may select this option for religious and/or creed-based days, which does not generate an absence on their report card. For more information on Creed and accommodation requests based on Creed, please see The [Family Guide: Recognizing and Respecting Creed Diversity](#). This guide has also been translated into the following languages; Arabic, French, Hungarian, Korean, Mandarin, Spanish, Urdu and Vietnamese, which can be viewed on the [DSBN Equity webpage](#). For a list of Days of Significance, please refer to the [Days of Significance Calendar](#)."

Picture Day

On Wednesday, October 19th DeWitt Carter Staff and Students will be smiling for the cameras.

Yes, it is Picture Day. Please mark this date on your calendar.

A reminder flyer will be sent home from the Photography Company closer to this date.



DeWitt Carter School Council

The executive for our council this school year is as follows:

- Chair L. Chambers
- Co-chair M. Lofquist
- Communication Manager J. Moore
- Secretary M. Roberts
- Treasurer L. Weaver



Our School Council had their first meeting on September 27th. Several meetings are planned throughout the school year to discuss opportunities to bring our families, students, staff, and community partners together. We plan after-school, evening and during school events. Additionally, we look at opportunities to fundraise so that we can augment the experiences our students have at school.

If you are interested in joining our school council, please call the school and we will add you to our group to receive updates.

Welcome to the Parent Council



Reminders:

- October 10th Thanksgiving (Holiday)
- October 19th Picture Day
- October 24th PD Day (no school for students)
- October 27th Halloween Nighttime Social
- June 8th Fun Fair

Cereal Drive for our Breakfast Club

For the month of October, we are holding a cereal drive for our Breakfast Program. The classroom that donates the most boxes of cereal will receive a deluxe pancake lunch. Please choose cereals from the following list: Cheerios, Shreddies, Life, Raisin Bran, Rice Krispies, Chex, Corn Squares, and Corn Flakes.


Thank you for your support!



Student of the Month

The following students were recognized by their teachers. These students were recognized for their hard work, class participation, school spirit and/or demonstrating our monthly character trait - Respect.



|  | Character "Respect" | Literacy | Numeracy |
|---|---|------------------|-------------------|
| Mrs. Laur | Alexander Day-Mackie | Kinsley Black | Kira Farley |
| Mrs. Churchill | Liam Duquette | Emma Mastroianni | Mason Weaver |
| Mrs. Cooper | Cooper Parsons Emerson Goodger | Seth Schoenhals | SoerynAdams-Swain |
| Mrs. Lubeck | Sawyer Mann | Myles Jacobs | Evan Bath |
| Mrs. Boyer | Lydia Tarczy | Khloe Davis | Killian Misner |
| Ms. Marling | Zoe Ozog | Olivia Pearson | David Buzila |
| Mr. de Waard | Shyla Warner | Maliya Lafayette | Ben Chenard |
| Mr. Turonski | Sophie Taylor | Zoe Gagne | Willow Young |
| Mr. Fraipont | Liam McQuiggan | Abigail Lumbers | Teagan Arsenaault |
| Mrs. Minor | Macy Melinko Alexis Fredrich | Laura Buzila | Amber Moore |
| Office Award | Grayson Barwell | | |
| French Award | Sophia Schaeffer, Denis Slivka, Makenna Rogers, Brianna Darby, Madelyn Goulding | | |

Halloween Nighttime Social

Our School Parent Council is planning a "Halloween Nighttime Social". The date for this event is Thursday, October 27th. Please mark this date on your calendar. More information about this event will be coming!!!!



Friday, October 7th 7 pm
Meridian Centre
St. Catharines, Ontario



The Niagara IceDogs are excited to be back and playing in front of their home crowd. For the second home game of the 2022-2023 season, the IceDogs take on the Oshawa Generals. This is the only time that the Generals will be visiting the Meridian Centre for the regular season.

DeWitt Carter School will be in attendance at this IceDogs game and will be cheering loudly in the stands!

They will be taking the ice in the pre-game skate for an hour before doors open, from 5:00 to 5:50 pm.

If you would like to attend this game and join in the excitement of cheering on the IceDogs, tickets are available on Schoolcash Online for \$16 each.

The deadline to purchase these tickets is October 2nd.

Breakfast Club

Volunteers

We would like to thank Patty Moss and all the hard work that she does to keep our amazing Breakfast Program up and running.

We have a lot of new Volunteers coming out to help this year and are so grateful for these

individuals taking time out of their busy schedules.

These wonderful people help make sure are students have had a healthy, nutritious breakfast to start their day.

It is important that these Volunteers realize how thankful we are for their kindness and hope that our DeWitt Carter Dragons say "thank you" to these amazing people.

A special thank you to Pinty's for their generous support to our DeWitt Carter Breakfast Program!!!



Thanks to Our Volunteers!

