

# MACPHAIL NEWS

May, 2023



*Apprends aujourd'hui.....Leaders tomorrow!*



The temperature is warming up and hopefully we can say goodbye to winter!

Macphail continues to be a great place to learn and grow!

It is flag football season and our teams are training hard. Thank you Mr. Legate, Mr. Taylor, Ms. Collins-Green and Ms. Oikawa for coaching our students!

Grade 3/4 Soccer is going strong and we thank Mr. Rupoli and Mr. Walker for organizing this great activity!

Thank you to Ms. McGowan and our talent show committee for organizing our Talent Show that will showcase student performances on May 19!

May and June are always very busy months as we wrap up the school year and make plans for 2023 - 2024. Much of the preliminary organization of the upcoming school year takes place in May and June. It is therefore very important that we have an accurate student enrolment so we can assign initial class placements. If you are moving out of our school area, or know of anyone moving into our school boundaries, please contact the office as soon as possible.

We are proud of our teaching staff here at MAC. Any parental requests for specific class placements for the 2023 -2024 school year must be made in writing to the principal by Friday May 27. These requests must include educational reasons which will be shared with staff members as we consider placements for next year. Please understand that a written request is not a guarantee of class placement. Staffing and class placements often fluctuate between June and September due to changes within the enrolment. Organizing classes for a school year is a complex, ongoing process, based on enrolment. Consideration is given to each student's strengths and needs, gender ratio, social combinations and more. We use our best professional judgment in all cases. Parents are reminded that staff's teaching assignments and student placements are not revealed until September due to the possibility of change.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us (After hours go to extension 527 for Mr. Strong, Ms. Russell extension 526.)

Eron Strong  
Principal

Lisa Russell  
Vice-Principal

## May Theme: Mental Health



### Events

- May 8 and 9 - TIMMS Grade 4 testing
- May 10 - P/J classes to Willy Wonka at Roxy Theatre O.S.
- May 15 - SCC 6:30 p.m. in the Library
- May 16 and 17 - Bus Evacuation Training
- May 18 - Grade 4 to Water Festival in Chesley
- May 19 - Talent Show
- May 22 - Victoria Day - no classes
- May 23 - Grade 7/8 Vaccine Clinic
- May 25 - Pasta Day (June orders open in School Cash)
- May 26 - Grades 1 and 2 to Firehall
- May 29 and 30 - The Princess Bride - 6:30 p.m.
- May 30 and June 1 - Track and Field
- June 2 - PD Day - no classes
- June 28 - Grade 8 Graduation
- June 29 - Last day of classes

### Reporting Absences

Parents/Guardians, when reporting your child's absence, please call the school with a reason for their absence. Text 519-370-7040 or call 518-924-2752 ext. 522 or ext. 100.

### Professional Activity Days

June 2, 2023

June 30, 2023

### Switch Days

Tuesday June 6 - Friday Schedule

## The Princess Bride!



Mr. Legate and a dedicated group of intermediate students are busy rehearsing and making preparations for a theatrical presentation of *The Princess Bride*. *The Princess Bride* is a classic tale of love and adventure as the beautiful Buttercup, engaged to the odious Prince Humperdinck, is kidnapped and held against her will in order to start a war. It is up to Westley (her childhood beau, now returned as the Dread Pirate Roberts) to save her. The play will be presented Monday May 29 and Tuesday May 30 starting at 6:30p.m. Admission by donation.

## Community Garden



The Lady from Grey Garden at Macphail Elementary School is a community effort between the South East Grey Community Health Centre and the Flesherton Food Bank. The school has a plot in the garden and there is room for local gardeners to adopt a plot. Beginner and experienced gardeners are welcome! To register for a plot or for more information please contact: The Community Health Centre at 519-986-2222 x6376 or [programs@segchc.ca](mailto:programs@segchc.ca)

## May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
CMHA Mental Health Week	1 Red Day - creates a sense of urgency and is also known to increase appetite	2 Purple Day - develops problem solving skills and creativity	3 Orange & Yellow Day - promotes optimism	4 Blue Day - promotes a sense of security & simulates productivity	5 Green Day - creates a sense of harmony & promotes decisiveness	6
7	8 Comfy Cozy Day	9	10 Dress as your Favourite book character	11	12 Mac Attack Friday	13
14	15 Comfy Cozy Day	16	17 Wear the Rainbow - International day against homophobia, transphobia, lesbophobia & biphobia	18	19 Mac Attack Friday	20
21	22 Comfy Cozy Day	23	24 Looking Sharp Day - Formal Day	25	26 Mac Attack Friday	27
28	29 Comfy Cozy Day	30	31 80s Day!			

## School Community Council

Our next meeting will be in person at school **tentatively** Monday May 15, 2023 starting at 6:30 p.m.  
All School Community Members Welcome!