

Little Current Public School September 2018 Newsletter

Welcome

We are looking forward to a great year at Little Current Public School. I would like to welcome vice-principal Shelley Tamura to our staff. Shelley has been working as a consultant for our Board for the past few years and taught various grades before becoming a consultant. Welcome Ms. Tamura! I would also like to welcome Holly Hoy back to our staff. She will be teaching Ojibwe to many of our classes this year.

Jennifer Tilston will be our Grade 2/3 teacher this year and Tracy Recollet will also be joining us this year to assist with Ojibwe language instruction in some of our classes. Welcome to LCPS, Jennifer and Tracy!

Anaphylaxis, Medical Information, Concussions

Some children in our school have life-threatening reactions to certain foods including peanuts and tree nuts. We cannot guarantee that traces of these products aren't found in certain foods, however we are asking for your cooperation in helping keep these children healthy. **Please do not send in food items containing peanuts or tree nuts. Check food labels to determine if these items are hidden in products.** If your child has a life-threatening allergy and you have not contacted the school, please let us know as soon as possible.

Balloons are also not allowed at our school because of latex allergies.

It is also extremely important for parents/guardians to let the school know if their child has any **other medical condition** that could impact their day to day health. Schools also have **concussion** protocols in place so if your child is being treated for a concussion, please notify the school.

Students should not have prescription or non-prescription medication with them at school. Students requiring medication at school need to have a consent form filled out by their parent/guardian and a medical professional. This medication is then kept in a secure location and administered as required.

Asthma

If you have not already done so, please contact the school as soon as possible if your child has asthma. If you are the parent/guardian of a child with asthma, we need your co-operation in providing us with current medical information and in developing a plan to protect your child.

Students under 16 years of age who have parental permission are permitted to carry their own asthma medication with them at school.

Pizza

Pizza order forms were sent home this week. Orders are due in the office on or before Friday, September 21st. Pizza is served on Wednesdays. The first Pizza Day will be on Wednesday, September 26th.

Milk

Milk will be for sale at second nutrition break each day. Students are encouraged to purchase milk tickets in advance rather than bringing money to school. Tickets are \$9.00 for a sheet of 10. If students do not purchase tickets in advance, the cost is \$1.00 per milk.

School Council

School Council forms were sent home in the Rainbow District School Board information packages. Please complete and return this form to the school if you are interested in volunteering to be a member of this year's School Council. School Council meetings are held approximately four times per school year.

The first meeting is scheduled for: Tuesday, September 25th at 5:30 pm.

Busing

If you would like to make changes to your child's busing, contact the Sudbury Student Services Consortium at 1-877-225-1196. It is also a good idea to inform your child's bus driver if you are aware of upcoming changes. **Please also contact the Sudbury Student Services Consortium and inform your child's bus driver if your child has a life-threatening allergy, asthma, or any other medical condition that might affect his/her daily health.**

General Information

- Please call the school if your child is absent (705) 368-2932. Messages are checked regularly so if it is after hours, please leave us a message. You can also use the Remind messaging system.
- Playground supervision begins at 8:30 am. Students should not arrive at school prior to this time.
- Students walking home for lunch will go at second nutrition break. Please contact the school if your child will be going home for lunch on a regular basis. Bus students and students who regularly eat lunch at school will NOT be permitted to leave school property at lunch unless they are signed out by a parent/guardian.

Communication

Little Current Public School uses a variety of methods of communication with our families. Communication is vital for us to work together to help our students be successful.

1. Please inform the school if your contact information has changed since last year or if it changes during the year. This information is vital, especially in case of emergency.
2. **Remind** messaging system is used to send messages to parents. You can also use it to notify the secretary for our "Safe Arrival" program if your child will be absent or late.
3. We also use newsletters and other print materials, and our **Little Current Public School Facebook** page. Please be sure to check your child's school bag regularly for communication from the school.

*What is **Remind**? **Remind** lets educators send quick, simple messages to students and parents on any device—no smartphones necessary. Your personal contact information stays private, and you can access your full message history at any time. Remind is free to use for educators, students, and parents.*

You can choose to receive messages via text, email, or both. Your personal information is kept private and the school does not have access to your email or cell phone number.

*For more information about **Remind**, you can visit the website at www.remind.com.*

Get the free Remind app

1. Download the **Remind** app from



2. Sign up for an account and enter the code **littlecur** to join Little Current Public School.

Or, sign up for text updates

Text (705) 990-0014 with the words "join littlecur" to get updates from C.Case, M. Cortes, and S. Tamura via text message

E-Transfers

We are set up to receive e-transfers for payments throughout the year. If you would like to pay for things such as pizza or milk by e-transfer, please use the following email address: cortesm@rainbowschools.ca. Please make the security question one that we will be able to answer!!

Absence for Medical Appointments

Just a reminder that students will have their absence recorded as a G(Grant Day) instead of A(Absent) if they are away due to medical appointments. Medical documentation needs to be provided to the school for students to receive a Grant Day.

Orange Shirt Day

Orange Shirt Day is an opportunity to open up or continue the conversation with students about the history of Residential Schools in Canada.

This year Orange Shirt Day is officially being acknowledged on Thursday, September 27th. Students and staff are encouraged to wear orange.

Important Dates

Wear Pink Today! Stand Up Against Bullying!	Thursday, September 13
Harp Concert at 1:35 pm in the Gym (Kindergarten to Grade 4 students)	Tuesday, September 18
Bus Evacuation Practise	Wednesday, September 19
KTEI Fall Harvest	Thursday, September 20
Open House from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Thursday, September 20
Pizza Orders Due	Friday, September 21
School Council Meeting at 5:30 pm	Tuesday, September 25
3-Pitch-Island Championship Junior students in Gore Bay Intermediate students in Mindemoya	Tuesday, September 25 -Rain Date is Thursday, September 27
Orange Shirt Day	Thursday, September 27
PA Day-No School for Students	Friday, September 28
Wiki Cross Country Meet	Thursday, October 4
Thanksgiving-No School	Monday, October 8
Terry Fox Run/Walk at 1:30 pm	Thursday, October 11
Picture Day	Friday, October 12
Term One IEPs Go Home	Tuesday, October 16
Progress Reports Go Home	Tuesday, October 30
Parent/Guardian Interviews	Thursday, November 1

