



THE CONNAUGHT CHRONICLE

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WELCOME!

Whether you are returning or are new to the school, we are excited that you are joining us for the 2019/2020 school year. Did you know it's Connaught's 105th year serving the families of the Queenston area? We are proud of the ways in which our school has enriched the community, nurturing and growing young minds and characters.

This year is shaping up to be an excellent start to a very busy school year! We have increased our student numbers, particularly in the kindergarten grades. Many families new to Canada have also registered and we are excited to be their first experiences with the Canadian education system. It's amazing how quickly our children and families adapt to being members of the Connaught family.

I know you will all join me in wishing a warm Cougar welcome to new staff as they also join our community:

We'd like to give a huge shoutout to those who have spent the last few months readying the school for a bright new year. Thanks to Mrs. Foster and Mrs. Dickinson for their hard work in preparing the building. It is so shiny! Thanks to Mrs. Nardangeli, who has had a very busy week registering new families and completing the necessary paperwork for school to begin. And thanks to our teaching and support staff who have been in to plan, paint and organize so that we can welcome YOU to a great learning environment.

All the very best for a wonderful and wonder-filled school year!

Mrs. Kelly Diiorio, Principal

Mrs. J. Ravazzolo, Vice-Principal

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Connaught Meet and Greet!

Come and meet the Connaught staff, tour the school and visit our Book Fair!

When: Thursday, September 19

Time: 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm

Please see the note in your child's manila envelope for more information!

Book Fair is also running daily from Tuesday, September 17th to Friday, September 20th.

KEEPING OUR KIDS SAFE, HEALTHY AND HAPPY!

We Are Nut Aware!

When you are considering foods for your child's lunch, please remember to select healthy items that are nut-free. We have staff and students with nut allergies and out of respect for them, please ensure that their safety is considered when packing lunches.



Morning Supervision on the Yard

We want your children to safely arrive at school, ready to start the day!

Please remember that **school staff are not available to supervise prior to 8:50 am.** Students cannot be on the yard prior to this time unless accompanied by a parent.



When Your Child is Absent

Please remember that you can either use the School Messenger app or call 1-866-606-5567 to report your child's absence. Absences can be reported in advance, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!



Sports Spot!

Upcoming Sports



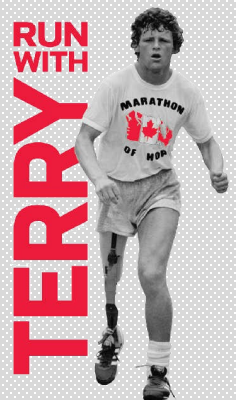
As the year begins, so too does the **cross country** season! Students from grades 3 to 8 who are interested in long distance

running are encouraged to watch for announcements for the first practices to be scheduled.

Soccer season also starts early in the school year. Junior and intermediate soccer tryouts will start the second week of school. All students from grades 4-8 are welcome to try out. Watch for an announcement!

TERRY FOX My Hero

Our annual Terry Fox Walk will take place on Thursday, September 26th at 2pm. Grades 1-8 will be walking to Centennial Park for a group walk about the park. Our youngest kindergarten students will be walking in the back yard to honour the day.



Clubs, Events and Celebrations

Breakfast Club

Beginning the second week of school, students will be able to access our breakfast club program. For students who walk to school, the kitchen is open at 8:35 am for business, and closes at 8:50 am. Bus students are able to participate by going to the office upon arrival, where a tray of breakfast foods is available for them to eat prior to going to class.



Connaught Agendas

Students will each be receiving a Connaught agenda to use this year. We are asking that you support the use of these agendas by reading them with your child each night, and using them to communicate with your child's teacher. Having a consistent method of organization is an important skill that can support student success! Agendas will be free to students this year as the school will be paying the costs, however a second agenda due to loss or damage will be \$5.



School Spiritwear

Show your school spirit with a spiritwear order, available online! Students have the choice of 11 items, in multiple colour options. Personalize your new hoodie or shirt with your name too! Grad hoodie orders for 2019-20 grads are coming soon. Orders can be placed through the Connaught website link, or here:

<https://www.bigbearspritwear.com/connaught-cougars-2/>

Items will be shipped directly to the school.

"NO MATTER HOW RICH, TALENTED OR GREAT **YOU** **THINK** YOU ARE... **HOW YOU TREAT PEOPLE** ULTIMATELY TELLS ALL"
FEARLESS SOUL



COME TO THE EarlyON CENTRE!

Do you have an infant or preschool child? We welcome you to join us in our EarlyON Centre on the bottom floor of the school across from the daycare.

This program is a drop-in centre for parents and caregivers of children from infants to 6 years. Learn and play with your child, help them to develop literacy and social skills and meet other young families in your community!

For more information, speak to our EarlyON Coordinators, Mrs. Dolinski and Mrs. Sansalone.



Our first meeting of the Connaught School Council will take place on Wednesday, September 25th in the Connaught

School Library at 3:45 pm. We are a very small but committed group who want to support learning at Connaught with our work. All parents and guardians are invited to attend. We would love to see you there!



Connaught Staff List

Principal	Mrs. K. Diiorio
Vice-Principal	Mrs. J. Ravazzolo
Admin. Assistant	Mrs. P. Nardangeli
Learning Resource Teacher	Mrs. K. Campbell-High
Kindergarten 1	Mrs. B. Sirianni-Nicholls Mrs. B. Van Huizen
Kindergarten 2	Mr. T. Devlin Mrs. K. Enns
Kindergarten 3	Mr. R. Baulk Mrs. L. MacKay
Grade 1/2	Mrs. K. Palmerino
Grade 2	Mr. S. Masterson
Grade 3	Mr. C. Belliveau
Grade 3/4	Mrs. L. Rosati
Grade 4/5	Mr. K. French
Grade 5/6	Mr. K. Maddalena
Grade 6/7	Ms. R. Haynes
Grade 7/8	Mrs. M. Atack
FSL/Information Skills	Mrs. T. Michel
Rotary	Mr. Breberina Ms. Pearson
English as a Second Language	Mrs. M. Tompsett Mr. S. Zaporzan
Instructional Coach	Ms. S. Caesar
Educational Assistants	Ms. S. Doherty, Ms. S. Byberg, Ms. S. Hamill, Mr. A. Mohamud, Ms. K. Smart, Ms. K. Eitze
Youth Counsellor	Mrs. J. Mestek
Social Worker	Mrs. S. James
Lunch Supervisors	Mrs. S. Mitchell, Ms. S. Setford
Early ON Centre	Mrs. T. Dolinski, Mrs. A. Sansalone
Chief Caretaker	Mrs. S. Foster

SCHOOL BELL TIMES

9:05 – 9:55	Period 1
9:55 – 10:45	Period 2
10:45 – 11:05	Nutrition Break
11:05 – 11:25	Fitness Break
11:25 – 12:15	Period 3
12:15 – 1:05	Period 4
1:05 – 1:25	Nutrition Break
1:25 – 1:45	Fitness Break
1:45 – 2:35	Period 5
2:35 – 3:25	Period 6
3:20	Warning Bell
3:25	Dismissal

LIBRARY UPDATE!



Connaught has been privileged to be chosen by the St. Catharines Chapters/Coles locations as their Adopt-a-School. The program takes place from September 14th to October 6th. Make a purchase during this time and your additional donations will go towards books for our school library. A great time to do gift shopping!

