

DIXON GROVE JUNIOR MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Welcome!

A warm welcome to both parents and students as we begin another exciting year at Dixon Grove Junior Middle School. A special welcome to the new families in our school community.

We would like to welcome the following staff members who are new to us.

Ms. Agoston
Ms. Jancen
Ms. Hemraj
Ms. Amin
Ms. Jason
Mr. Thompson

Our dedicated staff ensure our students a year filled with interesting educational experiences and activities to stimulate and challenge them. Of course, we must work together to ensure that our children continually strive for their personal best.

Our partnership will encourage our children to grow into responsible individuals who will contribute in many positive and productive ways within the community. Let us work together to make a difference in your child's life.

Our Meet the Teacher/Curriculum Night has been planned for September 27, 2012 starting at 6:00 pm. This is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher(s) and understand what they will be learning throughout the year. We look forward to seeing everyone that evening.

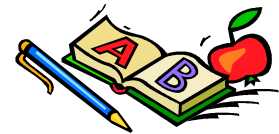
We are truly looking forward to another new and exciting school year at Dixon Grove Junior Middle School.

If you have any questions or concerns throughout the school year, please do not hesitate to contact us at 416-394-7940.

Sincerely,

Neil Quimby, Principal

Patsy Cook, Vice Principal



Important Information

Drop Off/Pick Up Zone

The parking situation at Dixon Grove will continue to be quite limited. Please remember that the half circle drive in the front of the school is designated as a "**Kiss and Ride**" Zone only. Your vehicle cannot be left unattended in this area. The staff parking lot is not to be used as a drop off and pick up zone for students.

You may drop off your child on Celestine Drive across from the school and have them cross at the crosswalk with the crossing guard. If you choose to park and walk your child into school you may park at the Westway United Church on the South East corner of Kipling and The Westway. Please decide ahead of time the drop off and pick up locations with your child. We encourage students to walk to school as much as possible.

We will not sacrifice the safety of our students over convenience.

Student Safe Arrival Program (416 394-7955)

Please remember to contact the school before 8:00am if your child is going to be absent from school at (416) 394-7955 and listen to the prompts.

Please ensure that we have a current emergency number where you can be contacted. If you are picking up your child early, please write a note in your child's planner. Please be sure to report to the office to sign them out. If you are returning before the end of the day, please sign your child back in at the main office.

Lunch Time Policy

Students who stay for lunch are not permitted to leave the school grounds unless they are picked up and signed out by a parent/guardian.

Children who eat lunch at school must follow the lunchtime rules and the directions given by the lunchroom supervisors. Students who do not abide by the rules will lose their lunchroom privileges.

Lunch Drop off Bins

We are encouraging our students to carry their lunch with them to school each and every day. Please make sure that an appropriate lunch bag is used. Your child's name and class should be clearly written on the bag. This limits confusion during the lunch hour.

If you need to drop off your child's lunch, please print your child's name and homeroom clearly on the front of the lunch and place it in the proper grade bin that is located outside the office.

We strongly discourage parents from bringing fast food lunches to school.





Nutrition Program

It is important that our students come to school properly nourished. Please ensure that they have a good breakfast in the morning and are provided with nutritious lunches. Our Breakfast Program will begin **September 17th** from **8:20 to 8:40 am** at a cost of 25 cents. We encourage snacks such as fruits and vegetables and juice, as opposed to pop/sugar drinks. Our morning Snack Program will begin **October 1st**. More information regarding the snack program will be sent home shortly.

Milk will be sold in both lunchrooms at a cost of 50 cents.

Visitors to the School

Please begin your school visit at the main office. Visitors will be asked to sign in and wear a "Visitor's Pass". Please do not wander into the school yard or in the hallways to find your child. This is a safety measure for the protection of all our students. If you wish to speak with your child's teacher, please make an appointment through the main office.



Student Medication

Principals, teachers and support staff of the TDSB are not permitted to administer any type of prescription medication during the school day, unless they have written, signed authorization by you the parent **and** the prescribing physician. The forms to dispense any medication must be updated on a regular basis and are available from the main office.

Students who need "puffers" should have one at the school at all times. All medications will be stored in the main office.

You must notify the school if your child suffers from any allergy that may require an EpiPen.

MEET THE TEACHER/CURRICULUM NIGHT

September 27th

DIXON GROVE

6:00pm



Come out and join us, meet your child's teacher(s) and understand what they will be learning throughout the year!

See you there!!