

Christine Breshamer

From: margaretklassen62 <margaretklassen62@yahoo.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 3:37 PM
To: parc
Subject: Gore Hill school closure

Good afternoon.

As the next meeting is quickly approaching I am placing great hope and beliefs that our voices as Gore Hill parents are being heard.

We are asking that our voices have a chance in hopes of saving our school and all the work they have put into the school has not gone unnoticed. The community commitment that goes into this school is like no other, and we just came from another school and did not see the same amount of time and effort put into the school by parents and their were 250 more students!

I believe breaking up this school will hinder this community greatly. They have great can drives and help families in need right in our community.

I do see that your job is not easy and a decision has to be made but I pray you all get this right.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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From: Nabil Johnny <nabil.johny@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 12:06 PM
To: parc
Subject: Re: Mill Street School

Dear Public School Board Members,

I am writing this regarding Mill Street School. Both My kids Nabil and Nayeem attending Mill Street School since we moved to Leamington in 2014. I am happy with my kids progress in terms of Education, Discipline as well as social and sport activities.

In fact, Mill Street is one of the few school with best talented teachers. My First Son Nabil Johnny, attended Schools in Sault Ste Marie (Grade 1-6), he rarely get A or A+ . But after moving to Mill St. his ranking increased to A or A+. Now he continues this ignited mind in High School, scoring A or A+ in all the subjects.

My second son, Nayeem is also attending Mill st. in grade one. I could evaluate his reading and writing skills are equal to grade 3 kids. Thanks to his kindergarten as well as grade 1 teachers.

Overall, I am so proud of the Teachers in Mill Street.

As a Parent, I never had attachment with any other school of my kids attended previously, but Mill Street is very special. The Principle, Vice principle, the secretary and all the teachers perform like a whole family to bring up the future generation of Canada.

I kindly request you not to collapse this nest.

Truly

Johnny Shajahan

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From: splashmar2 <plashmar2@cogeco.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, April 11, 2017 9:46 AM
To: parc
Subject: Idea submission

Dear PARC committee,

I have an idea I would like to propose for the Leamington area schools. I believe it would be better to bus country children into the town, where the high school is anyway, than to bus town students to concession road schools. My proposal is to continue with the closing of Gore Hill and amalgamation with Bennie in the next few years. Also, I would propose the closing of MCB and bussing those students in to town at Mill. As there would be work required on a school anyway should Mill close, I propose adding more to and/or repairing Mill. There is a large yard for this at Mill. Mill is on sewer whereas MCB is on septic system. Could the septic system take more volume at MCB? This is also less disruptive for children. Closing Mill means students are separated from friends when dispersed to Queen E and MCB. Transitioning all MCB students to Mill would allow children to remain with their peers. This would also not disrupt Queen Elizabeth students at all. Overall this is least disruptive for families.

Thank you for your time,
Peggy Lashmar

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

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From: Kim McKinley
Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 7:14 AM
To: Todd Awender
Cc: Christine Breshamer
Subject: FW: Keep Gore Hill Open

Please post to the PARC email for the committee's consideration.
Thanks,

Kim McKinley

GECSB Chair

Trustee Wards 1,2 & 9

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**"Building Tomorrow Together,
Every Learner, Every Day"**

From: Ashton Desjardins [mailto:ashton3.desjardins87@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 30, 2017 4:17 PM
To: Kim McKinley
Subject: Keep Gore Hill Open

Dear Ms. McKinley,

I'm writing to you to let you know how much Gore Hill means to me and my son.

First of all, I am a Gore Hill alumni. I was very fortunate to attend this awesome school from SK to my Grade 8 graduation.

This school has always felt like a big family to me. Everyone cares about everyone and helps and supports each other. It's quite amazing actually.

I work as a lunch aid at Gore Hill as well this year. So I get to see first hand how amazing this school is.

The staff here at Gore Hill are amazing!!

The principal, Mr. Cervini has to be one of the best principals. He is so involved and cares very much for each student at the school. His love for the school radiates through all the staff and students. It's pretty amazing to see one person who cares so much about everyone that you can feel it when you walk into the school.

My son, who is now in Grade 2 has had such amazing help and support from everyone who works there.

My son has special needs, and from day one, the staff and even the students have been very supportive and very patient and kind with him.

Over the last few years, my son has made tremendous gains since his first day. He's had so much support and help from his EA, Ms. de Jong, the principal, the secretary Mrs. Clark, and every teacher within the school, whether he has had them for a teacher or not. If it wasn't for everyone's help and support and care, I don't think my son would be where he is today.

The reason I'm telling you this is to let you know how important Gore Hill is not only to me and my son, but even a lot of other families, especially special needs children. This school has given these kids opportunities and support that I don't think they could receive in a larger school. The school is currently at 231 kids I believe right now, and since the beginning of this year school year, it has added quite a few new families of children.

The thought of uprooting my son (who would more than likely regress after all his gains) and the other children

at Gore Hill, to move to a new school would create a lot of problems.

The children are the most important! Their needs and support and learning depend on this wonderful school staying open.

Everyday, I'm so thankful for my son being able to attend this amazing school! I want to fight for this school because it not only means the world to me and my son but to every single family who have children at Gore Hill.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter, and I hope you will take into consideration on how important Gore Hill Public School is to everyone who attends, works or volunteers there. This school means the world to us all! Please keep it open for years to come!

Sincerely,

Ashton Desjardins