



Southwood Staff

The Southwood Source



2023-2024

JK/SK- C. Djelebian

ECE - C. Woschenski

JK/SK - S. Tessier

Grade 1 - A. Mamo

Grade 1/2 - C. Coulter

Grade 2/3 - S. Forget

Grade 2/3 - Z. Hamadani

Grade 3/4 - M. Pfaff

Grade 3/4 - J. Piescic

Grade 5 - M. Dragicevic

Grade 5/6 - K. Trudell

Grade 5/6 - A. Noble

Grade 6/7 - J. Scherer

Grade 7 - J. Dunlop

Grade 7/8 - M. Cichon

Grade 8 - D. Chisholm

LST - D. Edgar

Library/LST - V. MacDonald

GAINS 1 - P. Rigny

GAINS 2 - A. Bonadonna

GAINS 3 - S. Lysay

French - T. Laurendeau

French- S. Ruffolo

Prep - A. Seibel

DSW - D. Branch

DSW - T. Pollock

DSW - T. Mickle

EA - A. Renaud

EA - A. Parent

EA - A. Kaur

EA - F. Sami

EA - K. Entwistle

CYW - J. Glover

Custodian - M. Roy

Clerk - C. Holley-Lord

Secretary - J. Millar

Vice Principal - T. Dugan

Principal - M. Lowes

FROM THE DESK OF THE PRINCIPAL AND VICE PRINCIPAL ...

Dear Southwood Families,

As the school year comes to a close, we want to take a moment to express our gratitude for your continued support throughout the school year! This year our students had many opportunities to demonstrate their athleticism, skills, and creativity. Congratulations to our student-athletes who tried out, who made the teams, and to all our students who helped out with fundraising, announcements, Eco-Team, Leadership Club, Chess Club, Choir, Band, and so much more. We are inspired daily by our students, staff, and families who try their very best every day to demonstrate our school pillars of resilience and belonging. We thank our students as they are always learning and willing to try new things. We are so proud of every single student! We enjoyed watching them learn and grow into responsible, compassionate, and caring individuals.

On behalf of the Southwood Public School team, we would also like to take this opportunity to thank our departing staff members for their dedication to our Sabre Community. To our magnificent support staff: Miss Meloche, Miss Marentette, Ms. Crosswell, Mrs. Mejia, Mrs. Carter, and Mrs. Murray; thank you for your dedication and commitment to our staff, students and community. We wish Mrs. Hunt-Robinson, Mme Meszaros, Mrs. Mio, Mrs. Ala, Mrs. Black, Miss Carosella, and Mrs. Camlis-Leroux who are moving on to new schools and assignments all the best in their future endeavours. Also, a big thank you to our long-term occasional teachers; Mrs. Tait, Miss Barracco, Miss Worrall, and Miss El-Khachen, although their time with us has been short, their impact has been great! Finally, we wish a fond farewell and many thanks to two amazing Sabres who will be enjoying the start of their retirement this summer. We thank Mrs. Landry for her leadership and commitment to Southwood. We appreciate Mr. Merucci for being our amazing custodian. He has worked so hard to keep our school sparkly and clean! We will miss you both dearly!

We are proud to announce our staff for next year! Please see the staff list in the yellow column for the tentative teaching assignments for this coming school year. Students will learn their classroom assignments on the first day back to school in September. We appreciate your patience in learning class placements and assure you that the utmost care was taken in creating class lists. We look forward to welcoming back all of our Sabres in September! Grades 1 to 8 will start on September 5th and Kindergarten will join us on September 11th.

We would like to wish our families a fun filled, relaxing, and safe summer. Please check the board and school websites and Edsby for information about September.

Yours in education,
Mrs. Lowes
Principal

Mrs. Dugan
Vice Principal

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Success and Kindness!**

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UPCOMING EVENTS @ SOUTHWOOD

June 28, 2023 - Last Day of Instruction for Students - Report cards go home!

September 5, 2023 - First Day of School for Grades 1 to 8

September 11, 2023 - First Day of School for JK/SK students

Please check our Twitter Feed, Edsby, and our Board and School websites over the summer for updates for September. If you need to reach the school during the summer closure, please call and leave a message at (519) 969-3470.

Have an **AMAZING** summer!



Summertime Tips



- 1) Remind your child of the importance of summer safety. Go through Bike safety rules and safety rules throughout the community.
- 2) Summer is a great time to sit back, relax and read! We have access to a library in our community. Visit the library with your child to find a great selection of books to read
- 3) Enjoy the outdoors! Our students thrive during outdoor playtime.
- 4) Lastly, enjoy your time with family and friends.



To our graduates.



Congratulations on your achievement! The staff at Southwood Public School wish you all the best as you move to your new high school. If this is your last child to leave Southwood, the staff would like to thank you for your support and for the guidance that you have provided for your child(ren). We look forward to hearing from the graduates in the future and we hope that each of them will have gained a firm foundation for their education while at Southwood. Once a Sabre...Always a Sabre!

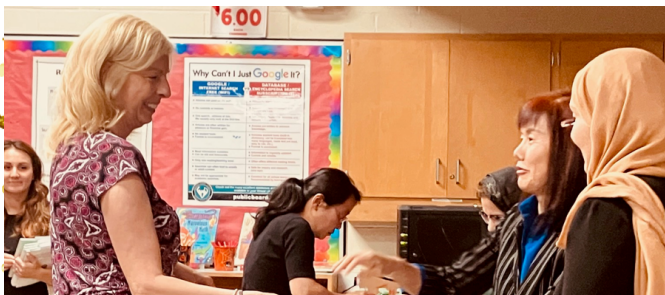
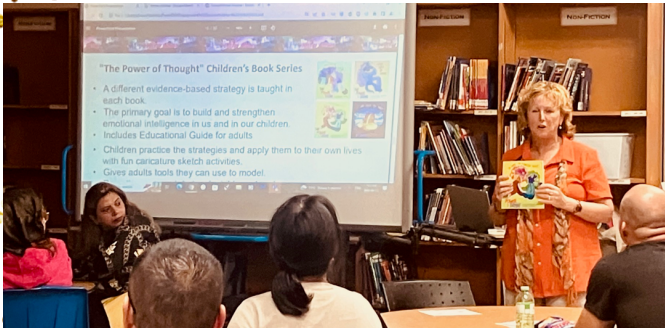


Southwood Public School Class of 2023



School Advisory Council

We also send our appreciation to our wonderful School Advisory Council for their dedication and ongoing support to enhance school life for our students at Southwood. SAC supported with funding to provide additional programming in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy & Well Being across the grades and has coordinated fundraisers to enhance the use of technology & the classroom environment to give students the resources they needed to excel, connect, and thrive!



Be at the heart of your child's learning.



We would like to take this opportunity to invite parents and guardians who are interested in being a part of making Southwood a great place for our students, to join the school council. This year's Read-a-thon and "Power of Thought" & Movie Night were tremendous successes! We look forward to more community nights next year!

The school council helps to provide our students with new experiences, fresh resources, community growth, and to represent the families for some decisions at school. More information about how to join the school council for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year will be coming September.



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BINGOS FOR SOUTHWOOD

Southwood Public School is part of the Paradise Charitable Gaming Association. Funds raised from these bingos help greatly with field trips, buses, and other school activities. Without the revenue from the bingos, many of our activities would not be possible.

Volunteers are desperately needed to work bingo sessions! Time slots are 2 hours and two volunteers are needed for each.



Please note: All new volunteers must complete a short virtual training session using the QR code below or the following link:

<https://www.charitablegaming.com/volunteer-training>



Next BINGO dates are:

July 6th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm & 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Aug 3rd from 4:00pm to 6:00pm & 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Scan the QR code or use the link to sign up for our upcoming BINGO sessions.

<https://signup.com/go/FGfUpYS>

If you have any questions please email: virginia.macdonald@publicboard.ca

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