

## The General Brock March/April Newsletter

As we eagerly anticipate the arrival of Spring in the coming weeks, we are filled with gratitude and excitement for the wonderful things happening within our school community.

First and foremost, we extend our heartfelt thanks to all our donors to our school. Their support will directly impact the lives of all our students and enhance our programs. We are truly grateful for their commitment to education and community.

A special acknowledgment goes out to our dedicated Brock staff and volunteers who tirelessly serve 80-100 students each day through our breakfast program. Your dedication ensures that our students start their day nourished and ready to learn. Additionally, our snack program continues to provide essential nutrition throughout the school day, thanks to your ongoing efforts.

Celebrating achievements is an integral part of our school culture, and we are thrilled to recognize the successes of our Senior Basketball teams, with our Girls team clinching a championship! We extend our deepest appreciation to our coaches for their unwavering dedication and hard work in guiding our athletes to success. It is also important to mention that our Chess team took home several top three award as the recent Chess Tournament held at the Ciociaro Club. Way to go Bulldogs!

Last week, we had the pleasure of hosting our Kindergarten 'Open House,' extending a warm welcome to our newest families. If you know of any families in our area with young children, please encourage them to reach out to us at 519-254-2571. We look forward to welcoming them into our vibrant school community.

Furthermore, we celebrated the accomplishments of many of our students at our month-end assembly. From academic achievements to sporting successes, we commend all our students for their dedication and hard work. Way to go Bulldogs!

A gentle reminder to our families regarding the importance of keeping immunization records up to date. If you received a notice from the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit regarding your child's immunization records, please follow up directly with them at 519-258-2146, ext 1222, or visit their webpage for more information. [Immunization Information](#).

Our recent Parent-Teacher interviews were a resounding success, with over 90 families in attendance. We extend our gratitude to our student ambassadors for their assistance during the evening, and we hope everyone enjoyed the delicious frozen yogurt!

Finally, a friendly reminder to utilize the church parking lot on Brock Street for drop-offs and pick-ups. The safety of our students is paramount, and we appreciate your cooperation in keeping our school environment safe for all.

At Brock, we are committed to fostering a caring and supportive community where every individual thrives. Thank you for your continued support and involvement.

Warm regards,

Mr. Callow, Principal and Mrs. Dahbour, Vice-Principal

### Important Dates

March 5, 19, 26 – Pizza Day from ‘Pizza Plus’ – all Halal - \$3/slice or two pieces for \$5

March 7, 21 Frozen Yogurt - \$3 for 1 or 2 for \$5 - Flavours are: Bubble Gum, Birthday Cake, Orange Cream, Oreo, Butterscotch and Cotton Candy.

March 7- The National Great Big Crunch

March 10- Ramadan Begins

March 11-15 – March Break

March 19- First day of Spring

March 21 – World Down Syndrome Day & Celebration Black Joy and Excellence Conference

March 25 – Student of the Month - Integrity / Month in Review Assembly @ 1 pm in the gym.

March 28 – Pizza Day from Yum Yum– all Halal - \$3/slice or two pieces for \$5

March 29- Good Friday- Holiday

April 1<sup>st</sup>- Easter Monday- Holiday

April 2<sup>nd</sup> - World Autism awareness Day

April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 – Pizza Day from ‘Pizza Plus’ – all Halal - \$3/slice or two pieces for \$5

April 4, 11, 18 - Frozen Yogurt - \$3 for 1 or 2 for \$5 - Flavours are: Bubble Gum, Birthday Cake, Orange

April 8- Solar eclipse – School ends at 1:00

April 9- Ramadan Ends

April 22-26 Book Fair Week

April 22 - Passover Begins

April 24 - Community Night – Everyone is welcome from 3-5pm

April 25 – Pizza Day from ‘Yum Yum’ – all Halal - \$3/slice or two pieces for \$5

April 29 - Staff Appreciation Week

April 29 - Student of the Month - Integrity / Month in Review Assembly @ 1 pm in the gym.

## Mental Health and Well-Being

We consider student mental health and well-being to be a crucial part of students’ success. Our commitment is to provide a safe and supportive environment at General Brock. For more information please visit the [‘Mental Health and Well-Being’](#) school board website to learn more.

## School Safety

We take pride in ensuring that our students are safe at General Brock! As part of our “Safe Welcome”, we ask for your help each day so that we can always keep our students safe.

If your child is absent, please ensure that you call the school before 8:35 am. If your child needs to leave the school before the end of the day, please ensure that you send a note to your child’s teacher or phone the school office—we will greet you at the front doors with your child/ren.

## Bell Times

Start time is 8:35 a.m.

Breakfast program begins at 8:10

Student arrival 8:20—8:35 a.m.

10:15 —10:55a.m. First Nutrition Break

12:35 —1:15 p.m. Second Nutrition Break

End of day dismissal is 2:55 p.m.

## History Corner – Residential Neighborhood in Sandwich



In the 18th Century, numerous wind-powered gristmills stood on the shore of the Detroit River between Sandwich and Tecumseh. Jacques Baby's mill was located near this site on lot #2 at the foot of Mill Street not from the historic Duff-Baby Mansion. During the War of 1812, the American General William Hull commandeered flour for his troops from the mill before his retreat from Sandwich. At that time, up to 50 bushels of grain per day could be ground into flour, which sold for 25 cents a pound. This commemorative structure was erected in 1992.

Brock's Great Moments



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**At Brock - 'We care about each other!'**