

The Southwood Source



Southwood Staff

2024-2025

JK/SK (EYA) - C. Djelebian

JK/SK (EYB) - J. Gorica

ECE - C. Woschenski

ECE - A. Dinham

Grade 1 (1A) - C. Coulter

Grade 1/2 (1/2A) - K. Camlis-Leroux

Grade 2/3 (2/3A) - S. Forget

Grade 3 (3A) - M. Pfaff

Grade 3/4 (3/4A) - M. Chiodo

Grade 4/5 (4/5A) - J. Piescic

Grade 5 (5A) - A. Noble

Grade 6 (6A) - K. Trudell

Grade 6 (6B) - R. Fetter

Grade 7 (7A) - C. Sanford

Grade 7 (7B) - M. Cichon

Grade 8 (8A) - D. Chisholm

Grade 8 (8B) - T. Mio

LST - D. Edgar

Library/Prep - V. MacDonald

GAINS 1 - D. Boulbol

GAINS 2 - A. Bonadonna

GAINS 3 - S. Lysay

French/Prep - T. Laurendeau

French/Prep - S. Ruffolo

SSW - D. Branch

SSW - T. Pollock

SSW - T. Mickle

SSW - A. Holley

SSW - E. Gaziano

SSW - A. Renaud

SSW - A. Parent

SSW - A. Kaur

SSW - F. Sami

SSW - A. Carter

SSW - M. Mejia

CYW - J. Glover

Custodian - P. Dawson

Custodian - M. Roy

Secretary - J. Millar

Vice Principal - D. Crestan

Principal - T. Dempsey

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

Dear Southwood Families,

It has been an honour and a privilege to serve in the role of Southwood's principal for the last nine years! Together we have accomplished many great things! Thank-you for your partnership. It's been an amazing journey working alongside Southwood parents, guardians, staff, and students. I take with me great memories as I come to the end of my time at Southwood. I wish you a restful, fun-filled summer and a great start to the new school year in September. - Mrs. Lowes

Thank you for the incredible learning journey and for the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful school community. My time at Southwood has been filled with countless memorable moments. Watching our students grow academically, socially, and emotionally has been the most rewarding part of my role as Southwood's Vice Principal. As I move on to new experiences, I carry with me the many lessons learned and the cherished memories from my time as a Sabre. I wish you all the best! - Mrs. Dugan

On behalf of the Southwood Public School team, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to our departing staff members for their dedication to the Southwood School community. Congratulations to Mrs. Mamo and Ms. Dragicovic on their retirement. We deeply appreciate their leadership and commitment over the years. Their influence has not only fostered a love of learning in our students but has also set a high standard for excellence.

We extend our best wishes to Mr. Dunlop, Ms. Drouillard, Mrs. Hamadani, Mrs. McKane, Mr. Scherer, Mrs. Seibel, Mr. Fitzsimmons, Ms. Clark, Ms. Lopez, Miss Quinn, and Mrs. Tessier as they embark on new journeys. We wish you all the best in your new assignments and know that your new school communities will be as fortunate as we have been to benefit from your exceptional talents.

We are excited to announce our staff for the upcoming school year! Please refer to the yellow column for the tentative teaching assignments for September. We appreciate your partnership regarding class placements and assure you that great care has been taken in creating the class lists. Class assignments are tentative until on Reorganization Day, September 16th, 2024. We look forward to welcoming all of our Sabres back on Tuesday, September 3rd, 2024!

We would like to wish our families a fun-filled, relaxing, and safe summer. Please check the board/school websites and Edsby for information about September. We will miss everyone at Southwood Public School! #SabreProud!

Yours in education,

Mrs. Lowes

Principal

Mrs. Dugan

Vice Principal

**Promoting Spirit, Strength,
Success and Kindness!**

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END OF JUNE 2024



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UPCOMING EVENTS @ SOUTHWOOD

June 27, 2024- Last Day of Instruction for Students - Report cards go home!

September 3, 2024 - First Day of School for all students (Kindergarten to Grade 8).

School agendas will be sold the first day of school for Kindergarten to Gr 8 students. This is a beneficial communication tool between home and school and includes our school handbook. Agendas are \$6.00. Our preferred method of payment is SchoolCashOnline, which will be ready for September.

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.



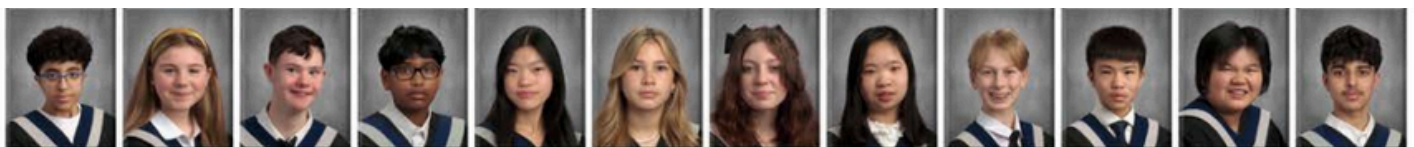
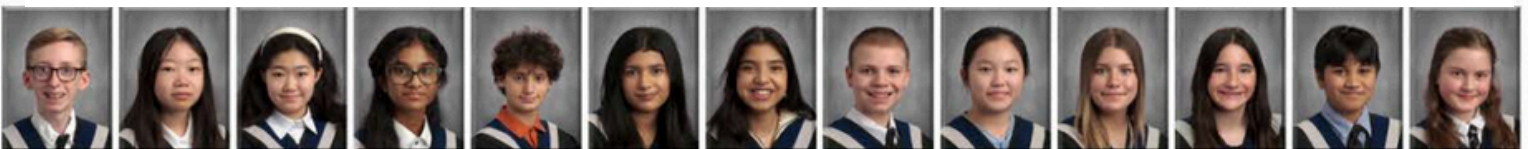
To our graduates.



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 2024





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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 support student learning in the areas of Literacy, Numeracy, and Well-Being across the grades. Our committed group of volunteers has coordinated fundraisers to support Grade 8 graduation, enhance the classroom environments, and increase the availability of technology in order to give students the resources they need to excel, connect, and thrive!

Thank you to our 2023-2024 SAC Members:

Andreas Maniatis - Chair
Shana Holmes - Vice Chair
Elita Laios - Secretary
Thi Thi Phan - Treasurer

Quan Martin - Member
Albin Wang - Member
Jay Morris - Member

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 Advisory Council next school year.

The School Advisory Council helps to provide our students with new experiences, fresh resources, community growth, and the opportunity to represent our community in making some decisions at school.

More information about how to join the school council for the upcoming 2024-2025 school year will be coming in September!

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>



SCAN ME



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Next BINGO dates are:

- July 4th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- July 21st from 4:00pm to 6:00pm & 6:00pm to 8:00pm
- Aug 3rd from 4:00pm to 6:00pm
- Aug 31st from 12:00pm to 2:00pm

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

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

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



"The Beauty & Strength of Southwood Lies in the Diversity of its People." ~unknown



Have A Great Summer!



2024 TRACK TEAM



GRADE 8 NIAGARA FALLS GRAD TRIP



Spotlight

ON OUR AMAZING CUSTODIANS!



Mr. G. McMullan



Ms. P. Dawson

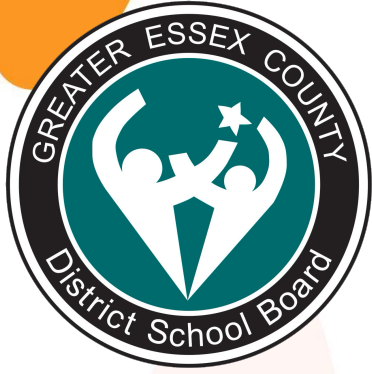


Ms. M. Roy

This month, we shine a spotlight on our incredible custodians who keep our school running smoothly and looking pristine every day. Their hard work, dedication, and attention to detail ensure a clean, safe, and welcoming environment for our entire school community.

Our custodians work tirelessly behind the scenes, from early mornings to late evenings, tackling a wide range of tasks. They clean classrooms, washrooms, hallways, and common areas, maintain the grounds, and handle minor repairs and maintenance with a smile. Their efforts often go unnoticed, but they are truly the unsung heroes of our school.

Thank you to our custodial team for their unwavering commitment and for making our school a better place for students, staff, and visitors. Your contributions are deeply appreciated, and we are grateful for everything you do!



Mindful Mornings

A FREE virtual mindfulness-based group for kids ages 8-12 years old. This four session group will run in July and August.

July

15, 17, 22 & 24
10-11am

(Registration closes July 3rd)

August

12, 14, 19 & 21
10-11am

(Registration closes July 31st)

Mindfulness promotes emotional regulation and healthy stress response and improves focus to manage every day life!

Pre-registration is required and spots are limited. Scan here or register at <https://forms.office.com/r/WgHmdsYdXf?origin=IprLink>

A group facilitator will contact you prior to the group starting. Trouble registering? Call 519-255-3200 ext. 10897.

FREE resource bag to all kids who register.





SUMMER EATS FOR KIDS PROGRAM

FREE WEEKLY FOOD PICK-UP

July 5 - August 27, 2021

Summer Eats for Kids provides a week's worth of snacks, fresh fruits and vegetables, and books during the summer months. The program operates in six locations in West Windsor, Downtown Windsor, and Leamington.

Pick-Up Locations | 11 AM - 1 PM

Tuesdays

St. James Catholic Elementary
Catholic Central High School
St. Louis Catholic Elementary

Thursdays

West Gate Public School
Dougall Avenue Public School
Frank W. Begley Public School



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