



Panther Press



January 2019

Message from the Office

December flew by in a flash... or a flashing red nose! Plymouth was busy getting ready for the Primary Christmas Sing Along and Jr/Int choir, Joy Day and a week of Christmas spirit! It was fun to see the crazy sweaters, socks, hats and p.j.'s and a sea of red and green! Thank you to School Council for bringing us hot chocolate and making Joy Day extra special.

Did you know that we had a turkey draw this month? A student from each class won a turkey to bring home for the holidays, thank you to all families who were interested in participating. What a great way to celebrate!

We would like to thank and welcome Mrs. Schwab to the Plymouth team. She helped in our Gr. 1 class for the month of December and will be staying for the mornings for the rest of the year. Also we'd like to welcome Mrs. Frank who will be joining us after the break. Mrs. Frank will be supporting some of our Kinder and primary students. We would also like to take the opportunity to say goodbye to Ms. Crisante- thank you for all your support this year! Mrs. King we look forward to some updates about your adventures- we know you will love retirement.

As always we want you to know the great things happening at Plymouth! Please follow us on Twitter @SchoolPlymouth or the school Remind App @9057324110. Mr. Mayhew and I would love to have all our families on the REMIND App- you never know there may be a special draw at one of our assemblies...



Panthers, remember to always

Do Your Best and Do What's Right.

To sign up for the School REMIND simply download the free REMIND App and use the code **@9057324110** to join!
We will use the App to remind you about upcoming special events, hot lunches, Panther Pride assemblies and more!





January's Character Trait is Perseverance and Growth Mindset

In January we will be focusing on the character traits of Perseverance and Growth Mindset.

These character traits are especially important when students are learning about something new or working through a tough problem. A student who shows Perseverance doesn't give up but keeps trying even when things get tricky! A student may try to solve a problem in multiple ways before being successful. Growth Mindset refers to an individual's belief in themselves that they can always do or learn something new- even if they don't know how-YET! If you have a growth mindset you believe that if you continue to try and work hard you can do it!

Panther Pride Assembly

On Friday, December 21 we celebrated our Panther Pride Assembly. All students recognized for Empathy got a Plymouth Shirt! While in our pajamas we celebrated students who are able to empathize with others (understand how someone feels), we sang a few songs and had a great time. We even had a special guest... can you guess who? Students are working hard to always do their best and do what's right! We encourage all winners to wear their shirts to our Panther Pride Assemblies.



SafeArrival Starting January 14th

At District School Board of Niagara, one of our greatest priorities is ensuring that all our students arrive safely at school each day. We are introducing **a new, more efficient** student absence reporting system called **SafeArrival**. This will allow Mrs. Buchanan to reduce the time it takes to verify student attendance and make it easier for you to report your child's absence.

Plymouth will send home information about the new attendance program in January!

Are you looking for a Family Doctor?

Are you are having a hard time finding a family doctor? Please visit the website for the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario www.cpso.on.ca. This site will list all Doctors accepting new patients listed by area (Grimsby, Niagara Falls, etc.).

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SAVE THE DATE FOR
KINDERGARTEN
KICKSTART
AT THE DSBN

See a Kindergarten classroom

Meet the Kindergarten Team

Register for school

Get a fun goodie bag with learning resources

NEW THIS YEAR!
REGISTER ONLINE
DETAILS COMING SOON

Thursday, January 31, 2019 • 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tips for Staying Lice Free!

BEDDING AND CLOTHING

- Wash all bedding and clothing used in the last 24 hours
- Stuffed animals- place them in a dryer on high heat for a minimum of 30 minutes, or place them in a sealed plastic bag for 24 hours.

CARPETS, RUGS, AND FURNITURE

- Vacuum all carpets, rugs and furniture OR put a sheet or cover over furniture for 24 hours.

HAIRBRUSHES AND ACCESSORIES

- Remove all hair from the hairbrush, as lice can still move to a new strand for up to 24 hours
- Wash in hot soapy water OR place hair items in sealed plastic bag in the freezer for 24 hrs

HAIRSTYLING

- Pull long hair back in a ponytail, braid, or bun and use a mint spray

NOTIFYING OTHERS

- Communication is key- please let the school know.
- Only 50% of people show symptoms of lice, such as head scratching, so it is possible to have lice and not know

School Cash Online

Using School Cash Online, you may never have to search for spare change again! That is, unless you're looking for coffee money.

We are pleased to be able to provide you with the opportunity to approve permission forms and pay for school items, such as field trips, hot lunches and school spirit wear, online. This year we are moving away from collecting monies at the Office and using "School Cash Online".

It takes just five minutes to register for this service. You will be able access the service by visiting our school website and clicking on "School Cash Online." There, you'll find more information about the system, links to registration and support. You can use School Cash Online with confidence; it is a safe and secure portal. If you need help with this, please contact the Office and someone will help you out! If you need a computer to use please let us know. Please sign up as soon as possible so you have access to field trip permission forms, hot lunch order forms and more!



Important Dates

Jan. 7th- Registration for French Immersion opens today www.dsbn.org/fi	Jan. 9th- Princess Elizabeth's French Immersion Open House 4:30-6:30pm	Jan. 14th- Safe Arrival Begins
Jan.18- PD Day- no school	Jan. 31- Kinder Open House	January 16, 23, 30 Lunch Angels
January 10, 17 Powerhouse	Reports home Feb. 8th	

