



OTTAWA-CARLETON  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

# HENRY LARSEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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*“Through Caring and Sharing We Learn”*



**St. Roch Express**  
DECEMBER 2017

**Principal’s Message**

*Dear Parents/Guardians,*

*Over the month of December our school has been a very busy place with numerous special educational activities and sporting events taking place. In addition, we are hosting our Henry Larsen holiday concert on Thursday, December 14 for parents and family members in the evening which features our choir and bands. It will be quite an amazing production and will be beautiful to listen to!*

*I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students and their families, as well as all our staff, a very happy and safe holiday. I hope that you all have the opportunity to enjoy some extra family time, to relax and to enjoy the beauty of nature at this time of year. It is always a pleasure to work with the children, their families and the staff at Henry Larsen Elementary School. All the best to everyone for a healthy and happy new year in 2018!*

*Sincerely,*

*Christine Camus-Shepley*  
*Principal*  
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**Upcoming Dates:**

Christmas Concert	Dec. 14, 2017
C Flat Presentation	Dec. 18, 2017
Planetarium	Dec. 19, 2017
MADD Presentation	Dec. 20, 2017
Grades 7/8	
Humane Society	Dec. 20, 2017
Staff vs Student Volleyball	Dec. 21, 2017 (AM)
Gr. 6/7/8 School Dance	Dec. 21, 2017 (PM)
Christmas Break	Dec. 25 - Jan. 5, 2018
Classes Resume	Jan. 8, 2018
Dental Screening	Jan. 8, 2018
Kindergarten Info Night	Jan.18, 2018
P.D. Day	Jan. 26, 2018
Report Cards go home	Feb. 14, 2018
P.D. Day	Feb. 16, 2018
Family Day	Feb. 19, 2018
March Break	March 12-16, 2018
Good Friday	March 30, 2018
Easter Monday	April 2, 2018
P.D. Day	April 27, 2018
Immunization Clinic	May 17, 2018
Victoria Day	May 21, 2018
EQAO	May 22 to June 4,2018
P.D. Day	June 8, 2018
Report Cards go home	June 26, 2018
Last Day of School	June 28, 2018
P.D. Day	June 29, 2018

### Christmas Concert

Please come and join us for a wonderful evening of Holiday Music on Thursday December 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm - 8:00pm. Featuring HLES Junior, Intermediate, Senior, Jazz Bands, Primary, Junior choirs and Glee Club. There will also be treats to purchase for \$1.00 from 5:45pm - 6:30pm as well as a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. A \$5.00 donation per family is appreciated and will go towards supporting our Music program and choirs.

### Student Transfer Application Period

#### Elementary—Monday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Students may apply, space permitting, to transfer to a school of their choice under the Board's student transfer policy and procedures. Parents wishing a transfer must complete a Transfer Form, available at all schools, and return it to the receiving principal during the transfer application period. Please note that students who are not attending their designated school are not entitled to transportation.

Please note: January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2010, the OCDSB adopted a new cross-boundary transfer policy. The policy moves away from a first come, first served approach to student transfers and towards a criteria-based approval process for elementary and secondary student transfer applications. The applications require the approval of the principal at the receiving school, after consultation with the principal of the sending school. The receiving principal may request evidence and reasoning in support of the transfer application.

Details of the new transfer policy can be found on the Board's website.

#### Kick-off to 2017-2018 Registration – January 22 – 26, 2018

It's time to register your child for kindergarten (English and EFI) for the new school year starting Sept. 2018. A **kindergarten registration period, running from Monday, Jan. 22 to Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018** has been established for parents to register their four and five year old children at their designated school. Though the OCDSB accepts student registrations throughout the year, we are encouraging parents to register during this period to allow sufficient time for staff and transportation planning.

Children eligible for Junior Kindergarten must be four years of age by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Children eligible for Senior Kindergarten must be five years of age by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018. Those students already enrolled in Junior Kindergarten do not have to re-register. Parents are asked to bring the following information when registering:

- Proof of age in the form of a birth certificate, baptismal certificate, registration of birth card or a passport. Registration cannot be completed without one of these forms of documentation:
- your child's Ontario Health Card
- a record of immunization.
- proof of address

**We will be holding a Kindergarten Information Evening on Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm.**

### Middle French Immersion -Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018

If your child has completed the grade 3 English/Core French Program, you can choose to enter the Middle French Immersion Program. For information regarding Middle French Immersion please visit the OCDSB website.

### From the Me to WE Club

A HUGE thank you to everyone who ordered rafiki bracelets in our Me to WE fundraiser. Thanks to your generosity, the money raised is for education initiatives in Haiti. Thank you for participating in this important project!

**Note** regarding rafikis: Please ensure that children are not stretching the rafiki too far, or wrapping it too tightly around their wrist, as this will cause breakage.

### We will be having a food drive from Monday, December 11 - Thursday, December 20.

We will be collecting non-perishable food and personal care items to deliver to the Orleans-Cumberland Community Resource Centre, which supports about 550 people each month, of which 42% are children. Our goal is 700 items!  
Dianne Morris.

### True Sport

On November 16th, 29th and December 7th Henry Larsen students from grades 6,7&8 participated in a True Sport Volleyball Tournament to promote our True Sport Principles for Sport. ([www.truesportpur.ca](http://www.truesportpur.ca)). The first night was an all girls night and we had a turnout of 36 students. The second night was a boys night and we had 28 participants. For our co-ed night we were very excited to have 61 participants!

It was wonderful to see so many students explore the sport of volleyball while having fun, developing skills and enjoying time spent with their peers and classmates.

A special thank you to all of our volunteers, parents, teachers and past students who came out to give back to their community and to make sure that our tournament was a success! Thank you as well to 1 for 1 Pizza for providing pizza for our hungry athletes!

Thank you to all the students who came out to play volleyball!

### Cash Online

Please register...



**From The Henry Larsen Gang**



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# SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

## STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE ON HOW TO REGISTER

The Ottawa-Carleton District School Board has started rolling out School Cash Online, an easy to use, safe and convenient way for parents and guardians to pay for their children's school fees, such as field trips.

Want to say goodbye to writing cheques or sending your child with cash? Sign up today, it takes less than five minutes to register. Please follow these step-by-step instructions.

### STEP 1: REGISTER

- If you have not registered, please go to the School Cash Online home page <https://ocdsb.schoolcashionline.com/> and select the "Get Started Today" option.
- Complete each of the three registration steps. For security reasons, your password requires 8 characters, one uppercase letter, one lowercase letter and a number.



### STEP 2: CONFIRMATION EMAIL

A registration confirmation will be emailed to you. Click on the link provided inside the email to confirm your School Cash Online account. The confirmation link will open the School Cash Online site prompting you to sign into your account. Use your email address and password just created with your account.

### STEP 3: ADD A STUDENT

This step will connect your children to your account.

- Enter the School Board Name: Ottawa-Carleton District School Board.
- Enter the School Name.
- Enter Your Child's Legal First and Last Name and Birth Date. Skip the Student Number.
- Select Continue.
- On the next page confirm that you are related to the child, check the Agree box and select Continue.
- Your child has been added to your account.

If you have more children, select "Add Another Student" and repeat the steps above. Eight children can be added to one parent account. If you do not wish to add additional children, select the "View Items For Students" option. A listing of available items for purchase will be displayed. Stay connected by selecting "Yes" to email notifications about upcoming fees.

**NOTE:** If you require assistance, select the SUPPORT option in the top right hand corner of the screen, contact the School Cash Online Parent Help Desk at 1-866-961-1803 or email: [parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com](mailto:parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com)

