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AUGUST 2017

CHINGUACOUSY
Secondary School



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Dear students, parents and guardians,

In a few short weeks, school will resume again. On behalf of all the staff and admin, welcome back! For our incoming Grade 9s, we are excited to have you join us and look forward to all your academic and co-curricular contributions that make Chinguacousy great!

Tuesday, September 5th is the first day of school for **Grade 9 students ONLY**. Orientation activities will be led by our Link Crew leaders. These student leaders will continue to support our Grade 9 students throughout the year with academic goal setting and student engagement in co-curricular activities. **ALL** students will begin **classes on Wednesday, September 6th, 2017**.

Prior to the summer break, I received two amazing news items that I am very proud of and commend the staff for all their dedicated hours of hard work that made it possible. First, we are now a certified **Ontario EcoSchool – Silver**, which means that I look forward to increased efforts by every Chinguacousy member to be environmentally focused, producing little waste, and recycling/reusing as much as possible. Second, we have been presented with the **Premier's Awards for Accepting Schools** in recognition of the demonstrated initiative, creativity and leadership in promoting a safe, inclusive and accepting school climate. This award doesn't mean that the work of creating a safe and inclusive school is done but rather that we will continue to build upon it for years to come.

Should you have questions or concerns regarding your child's academic progress and career planning, guidance counsellors are on hand to provide assistance. Ms. Fletcher (ext. 409) will be happy to direct your call as appropriate. Of course, your child's subject teacher is another source of support.

I look forward to yet another year where together, we *Belong with purpose, Succeed with support, Excel with character*.

Wishing you all a wonderful August. See you in September.

Sincerely,

Ms. Mork-Gerra

Introducing your Student Activity Council for 2017-2018 ...

President:	Varun Sivakumar
Vice-Presidents:	Sarah Gaddam & Kevin Lall
Spirit Leader:	Linton Wilson
Secretary:	Rhea Verma
Treasurer:	Reuben Ninan
Public Relations:	Leila Kusmic & Jasmine Bittu

Grade Reps:

Gr. 12: Sarissya Puvanenthirakanthan & Muhammad Saifuddin
Gr. 11: Ashmitha Kunasingam & Gurleen Sohal
Gr. 10: Navraaj Sandhu & Dhruv Patel

REGISTRATION 2017-2018

Parents and students are reminded that all currently enrolled Chinguacousy students are required to register for the 2017-2018 school year. These back to school procedures will occur as follows:

Tuesday, August 29, 2017:

Grade 9 8:30 am - 10:30 am
Grade 10 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Wednesday, August 30, 2017:

Grade 11 8:30 am - 10:30am
Grade 12 12:30pm - 2:30 pm

Students must return all outstanding materials (text and library books) or pay the cost of the materials still owing, prior to registering.

Registration fee is \$40.00

This fee is used for co-curricular enhancements such as guest speakers, athletics, student leadership, arts, awards ceremonies, clubs and print credits.

Yearbook fee is \$30.00

Grade 10 - 12 SciTech fee is \$200.00.

Sorry, No Debit or Credit.

Lockers will be assigned in Home Form. Students must provide their own combination lock.

**FIRST DAY OF CLASSES FOR ALL STUDENTS
IS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2017.**

GRADE 9 ORIENTATION TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2017

Grade 9 students and student Link Crew leaders will be participating in orientation activities all day with a BBQ lunch provided. **Grade 9 students will need to:**

- arrive at 8:00 am and proceed to the gym
- wear comfortable attire
- bring a lock for their locker

CHINGUACOUSY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Parents or guardians are invited to apply for an executive position on our School Council for the 2017-2018 school year. **Parent nomination forms** are under the **School Council tab** on the school website. Completed nomination forms are due to the Main Office by Tuesday, September 19th, 2017. All parents or guardians are invited to attend our School Council meeting at 7:00 pm on **Tuesday, September 26th, 2017** to vote for the new 2017-2018 executive council members.

All school council meetings are open to the public and we encourage input from everyone in our school community. If you would like to become part of our team or have a suggestion for the council, we welcome you to attend an upcoming meeting.

The 2017-2018 School Council meetings are at 7:00 p.m. on the following dates:

Tuesday, September 26th, 2017
Tuesday, November 28th, 2017
Tuesday, January 30th, 2018
Tuesday, April 24th, 2018

Please join us in September to find out more about upcoming plans.

PHOTO I.D.



Students will be expected to have their student I.D. cards with them at all times. If requested, students will show their I.D. card/timetable to any staff who ask. The student I.D. card is required for entry to the library, the cafeteria servery and after school events. The I.D. card must be shown to participate in school clubs and teams. The timetable must be shown to verify that you have a study period.

ATTENDANCE & PARENT WEB (EXT 408)

Regular attendance at school is essential for student success. If your son or daughter is going to be absent from school, please call to report it at 905-791-2400, ext 408 or press 3 for attendance or provide a note to the main office.

Please consider signing up for Parent web which is found on the Chinguacousy school website listed under the Parent tab. This is particularly helpful for parents as it **tracks attendance, credit history and displays diploma status and marks.**

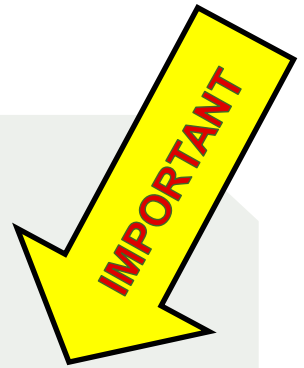
COMMENCEMENT

Our Commencement Ceremony will be held on **Friday, November 10th, 2017.** Parents are asked to ensure that their sons or daughters, who obtained their diploma during the 2016-2017 school year have indicated their intention to attend Commencement. Please contact the main office at 905-791-2400. The cost is \$17.00 which includes a souvenir gown, cap and tassel. We look forward to seeing our Graduates come back and walk across the stage to receive their diploma and celebrate their achievement.



TIMETABLES

GUIDANCE DEPT (EXT 409)



It is the student's responsibility to check his/her timetable for accuracy.

You must carry 8 courses (4 per semester) unless you are in your graduating year and have earned a minimum of 23 credits.

- ⇒ Please make sure you have successfully completed the correct pre-requisites for all your scheduled courses.
- ⇒ Check the sequences of your courses. The prerequisite course must be in the first semester followed by the next course in semester 2.
- ⇒ If you attended summer school you may need your timetable adjusted.
- ⇒ Make sure you have the courses you need for graduation and/or post-secondary plans.

Counsellors will only make changes due to summer school, missing courses, incorrect sequencing or graduation requirements.

PLEASE NOTE THAT NO OTHER TIMETABLE CHANGES WILL BE CONSIDERED

Guidance Counsellors Alpha Responsibilities

Mr. Hector:	A—D
Mr. Chahal:	E—O
Mrs. Gordon:	P—Z

All Students are expected to register in google drive (studentnumber@pdsb.net) using the following codes:

2017/2018 Grade 9 -	a99ju4
2017/2018 Grade 10 -	myhk2h
2017/2018 Grade 11 -	vpcrup
2017/2018 Grade 12 -	003jiqj

This will ONLY be used to send out important information from the guidance department/school. It will not be used as a medium of communication with your guidance counselor. Students are still required to make an appointment to meet with a counselor as needed.

CLUBS, TEAMS & SPORTS 2017-2018

CLUBS

ATHLETIC COUNCIL.....	MS. FOURNIER
AUDIO VISUAL	MS. ANDERSON-REEVES
CHESS.....	MR. MOHANLALL
COMPUTER SCIENCE.....	MR. BOZZ
DANCE.....	MS. PATEL
DECA BUSINESS CLUB	MS. MAGARELLI
DRAMA.....	MS. RUNHART
ECO CLUB	MS. VOLKES
FIRST ROBOTICS.....	MR. MCGITCHIE
LINK CREW	MS. MCKENNA
MATH CLUB.....	MR. CHAUHAN
MUSIC CLUB	MS. RUNHART
MOCK TRIAL	MR. GILL
MODEL UNITED NATIONS.....	MR. WILLIAMS
SAC (SCHOOL COUNCIL)	MS. ANDERSON-REEVES
SCIENTISTS IN THE KITCHEN	MS. BARNES
SEWING CLUB.....	MS. BARNES
TALENT SHOW.....	MS. NAZARETH
WEIGHTROOM	MR. TOBON
WHITEPINES READING CLUB.....	MR. WILLIAMS
YEARBOOK.....	MS. WILSON
YOITC	MS. PATEL
ZONTA.....	MS. NAZARETH

TEAMS AND INTRAMURALS

BASKETBALL - GIRLS	MS. RICHMOND & MS. ASH
FLAG FOOTBALL	MR. AVRAMIDIS
BADMINTON SR.	MS. PATEL & MS. COATES
BALL HOCKEY	MR. CHAHAL
BASEBALL.....	MR. HELM
BASKETBALL JR. BOYS.....	MR. TOBON
BASKETBALL SR. BOYS	MR. WHELAN
CRICKET SR. BOYS & GIRLS	MS. NAZARETH
CROSS COUNTRY.....	MR. TOBON & MS. VOLKES
FLAG FOOTBALL (TOURNAMENT TEAM).....	MR. AVRAMIDIS
RUGBY BOYS	MR. FRASER & MR. TAYLOR
RUGBY GIRLS.....	MS. FOURNIER
SOCCER SR. BOYS	MR. TOBON
SPECIAL EVENTS BASKETBALL.....	MR. HELM
TRACK & FIELD	MS. FOURNIER
ULTIMATE FRISBEE (CO-ED).....	MS. RICHMOND & MS. ASH
VOLLEYBALL (VARSITY)	MS. FOURNIER
VOLLEYBALL JR. BOYS.....	MS. NAVEA & MS. MCKENNA



SCHOOL BUS TRANSPORTATION

If your home address changed over the summer, please notify the office.

The distance criteria for transportation eligibility is: 3.8 kilometers for Grades 9 - 12.

Courtesy transportation, assignment of ineligible students to available seats on buses will not be initiated prior to October 3rd. No exceptions.

All transportation operations issues must be directed to STOPR. Contact information is below.

www.stopr.ca provides up to date delay and inclement weather cancellation information in addition to policy, procedures and frequently asked questions. Your child's OEN (Ontario Education Number) can be found on any of your children's report cards.

Businfo.stopr.ca allows parents to access information specific to "what school do I attend" and "am I eligible for transportation". This site also provides parents access to specific bus stop location and pick up and drop off times for their children if eligible for transportation

Phone: 905 890-6000 **Toll free:** 1-800 668-1140
STOPR Administration: 905 890-0708 ext. 23220

Parents will be responsible for their children getting to and from school until appropriate transportation service is arranged.