



# Kenner Intermediate School

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## September 2018 Newsletter

Daring to Dream – Willing to Work – Striving to Succeed



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### Administration's Message

We are thrilled to welcome everyone new and returning to Kenner Intermediate for the 2018/19 school year. We hope that all families have had a great summer and built fond memories through new experiences. The staff are very excited to see new and familiar faces and look forward to getting to know all the students in the months ahead.

While there will be a variety of digital tools used in classrooms this year, one we would like to highlight once again is a piece of software called Edsby. This software tool allows for communication between teachers, students, and families. It is used by many teachers to report progress and give feedback to students. It allows teachers to assign individual work to students and enables students and parents to track their growth. Families that are new to our school will be receiving access information shortly through an email invitation. In order to do so, it is necessary for the school office to have your email address on file, which can be included when returning the student verification form that has been sent home. Once we have collected these, you will receive an invitation to register if you have not already done so. Please look for an Edsby invitation in your email shortly.

As we embark upon a new year together, families are encouraged to review Kenner Intermediate's Code of Conduct policies, which have been posted on our school website and Edsby pages. We have also reviewed these items with students at our welcome assembly, so each learner should have a clear understanding of our expectations while at school and during school activities. Please note that every student is expected to participate in all activities during the school day. We will be emphasizing the theme "*Opting Out is Not an Option*" in our conversations with students as a reminder that all activities, ranging from physical education to class trips should be fully attended.

We understand that it is a busy time of year, but if anyone has questions or concerns, do not hesitate to make contact with the Kenner school office. We are all active in the students' lives and are working towards building a successful and enjoyable year for all learners. If you need to come into the school during the day please use the front door, as the others will be locked once classes begin.

Jennifer Knox  
Principal

Jason Huffman  
Vice-Principal

### Kenner Intermediate Staff 2018-2019

Principal - Jennifer Knox  
Vice-Principal - Jason Huffman  
Secretary – Karen Heath  
Special Education Resource Teacher – Nadera Gage  
Resource/Music/French – Jessica Rustage-Johnson  
French – Julie Small  
Grade 8 - Tara Sharpe  
Grade 8 - Chris Veno  
Grade 8 - Sean Hazeldine  
Grade 7 - Reinout Westbroek  
Grade 7 - Bob Hall  
Grade 7 - Grant Young  
Grade 7 - Deryck Robertson  
LLS Teacher – Kris Simpson  
LLS Support Staff – Rob Hendren  
LLS Support Staff – Linda Brady  
LLS Support Staff – Sharleen Walsh-Gareau  
LLS Support Staff – Shannon Bauer

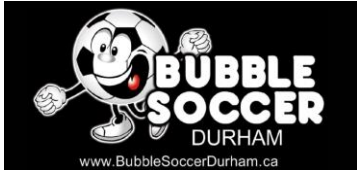
Whole-School Support Staff  
Elaine Barbeau, Samantha Perry, Marcus Healey

### Character Trait for September: Optimism

I have a positive attitude. I see challenges as opportunities. I think, speak and act to make the world a better place. I have hope for the future.

### **Kenner Families and Staff Meet & Greet (Open House)**

We are thrilled to announce that Kenner Intermediate will be holding a meet and greet event for families and staff on **September 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** In addition to speaking with your child's teachers and staff, we will have an inflatable obstacle course, bubble soccer and food. This is a great opportunity to get to know your child's teachers and have some free fun with your family. We encourage everyone to attend!



### **School Council Meeting**

Please join us for the first School Council meeting on Monday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the Library at the back of the school. All are welcome and no commitment is required. We hope to see you there!

### **SPC Cards and Kenner T-Shirts**

SPC cards and Kenner t-shirts will be on sale beginning Thursday, Sept 13 to Thursday, Sept 27. Cost for each item is \$10. Parents may pay by using School Cash On-Line or forward cash/cheque payable to Kenner Intermediate. T-shirt sizes are S, M, L and X-L.

### **Student Registration Verification Sheets**

These forms will be sent home with students this week. Parents are requested to review the information contained in these sheets, indicate any corrections and return the form to their child's teacher. Also, please complete and sign page 2 which is the Information Release Form. All forms need to be returned even if there are no corrections to the information.

### **School Photos**

School photos will be taken on Thursday, September 20 by Edge Imaging. Students will receive proof packages approximately 2 – 3 weeks after photo day. Retakes will occur on Wednesday, October 24.

### **Student Absence Reporting System**

Fridge magnets were sent home with students this week indicating the new Student Absence Reporting System information. If you are not already registered you can register by visiting [studentabsence.kprdsb.ca](http://studentabsence.kprdsb.ca). Parents may report a student absence by calling 1-844-434-8119, go to [studentabsence.kprdsb.ca](http://studentabsence.kprdsb.ca) or use the mobile app, SchoolMessenger.

### **Kenner Intermediate Newsletters**

Our newsletters are distributed on a monthly basis. The newsletter is posted to Edsby and our school website [kennerintermediate.kprdsb.ca](http://kennerintermediate.kprdsb.ca). Click on the About Us tab, then click on Newsroom, then click on Newsletters.

### **School Sports**

#### **Intermediate Soccer**

The Kenner Intermediate soccer teams will be starting tryout sessions next week. All students from Grade 7 and Grade 8 are invited to participate. Students will have some recess break game sessions, which will be supported with some afterschool team tryouts and practices. The KPR Intermediate Soccer tournament is on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to Mr. Westbroek and Mr. Hazeldine for coaching these teams.

#### **KPR Cross-Country**

Our KPR Region Cross-Country running meet will be held on Wednesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tryouts for the Kenner Intermediate school team will occur later in September.

### **FREE KPR Parent Conference October 20**

Mental Health, Math & Modern Learning is the theme for this year's Parent Conference, taking place Saturday, October 20 at Bowmanville High School. New this year are workshops that parents and guardians will be able to attend together with their children or teens. Keynote speaker Dr. Greg Wells will start the morning conference with a presentation titled The Ripple Effect: Sleep, Think, Eat and Move Better. As always, the conference also will offer a choice of practical workshops, child minding, refreshments and take-home resources – all at no charge. Stay tuned for more information and registration details later in September at [www.kprschools.ca](http://www.kprschools.ca)

### **Health and Physical Education Curriculum**

We wanted to provide an update on the Health and Physical Education Curriculum for the coming school year. As you know, the government has announced a broad public consultation on this issue. While this consultation is underway, the Ministry of Education has re-issued the 2010 Health and Physical Education Curriculum for elementary students. Secondary students will continue to receive the curriculum broadly revised and introduced in 2015.

We know that our teachers and school support staff are well-trained professionals who will continue to be committed to supporting the well-being and

healthy development of students. We are also obligated by legislation to follow the provincially approved curriculum. Our teachers are highly professional, and will teach the curriculum in a developmental and age appropriate manner as they have always done.

As with any question you may have about anything related to your child's learning, the best place to start is with their classroom teacher. These conversations can strengthen positive relationships between parents and teachers, and resolve concerns at the level closest to the issue.

More information is also available on our board's website at: [www.kprschoools.ca](http://www.kprschoools.ca)

### **Upcoming Events**

Sept. 17	School council, 6:30, Library
Sept. 20	School photos
Sept. 20	Sharpe to Warsaw Outdoor Ctr.
Sept. 21	Hazeldine to Warsaw Outdoor Ctr.
Sept. 24	Soccer tournament
Sept. 27	Kenner Families & Staff Meet and Greet
Sept. 28	P. D. Day
Oct. 3	Cross-country meet