



Welcome Back!

September 2016

Welcome to the many new Angus Morrison families and STAFF members! It is always exciting to add faces to our Dragon Community. Please join us in welcoming them!

For information about
YMCA

Before- and After-
care, please contact

705-896-5938

Students are reminded to be respectful of neighbours' and community property when waiting for buses in the morning. Be respectful and responsible, Dragons!

It's going to be a great year, Dragons!

It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the new school year! The staff has been working hard preparing for the new year and we are looking forward to a great one!

Current class placements are tentative until we can determine our overall enrolment. Please keep in mind that there WILL be changes to class arrangements by the end of September. We will do our best to communicate these changes as quickly as possible.

We love to have volunteers are our school! If

you were a volunteer last year, with a valid criminal reference check, you will need to sign a waiver before returning this year. For those of you who have never volunteered, we have a letter for you to take to your local police department in order to complete the criminal reference check. Please contact your child's teacher or the office for further information.

Our first School Council Meeting of the year will take place on Monday, September 19 at 6 pm in the School Library. We would like to encourage anyone to attend. More



information is attached to this newsletter. Our executive elections will take place that evening. Please contact the office for a nomination form.

Sincerely,

Pam Pasmore-Tye

Principal

Keep Connected with the SCDSB

For parents, it's important to get accurate information about what's going on at your school and school board. Please feel free to call the school at any time if you have questions or concerns.

For media releases and event information, visit the 'News' section under 'About Us' at www.scdsb.on.ca (you can also subscribe to receive this information at your email address)

- Follow us on Twitter (@SCDSB_Schools) and 'like' us on Facebook (facebook.com/SCDSB)

Through *Sharing Simcoe* blog (<http://sharingsimcoe.com/>), we share stories of some of the amazing people involved in our schools. The blog features stories and tips from our own in-house experts, and experts we work with in the community.

For school bus transportation information, visit the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium's website at: <http://main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/>. And remember to bookmark

the school bus information page at: <http://simcoecountyschoolbus.ca/> for bus delay and cancellation updates on those inclement weather mornings.

**Check out our website:
Ang.scdsb.on.ca**

**Find us on Twitter at
[@AngusMorrisonES](https://twitter.com/AngusMorrisonES)**

School bus 'Bus Tag' program helps students get to and from

The Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium's Bus Tag program supports safety for JK/SK and other school identified students. The program helps match students to their assigned afternoon school bus and identifies that they must be met by a parent or guardian at their afternoon bus stop.

The program provides a colour coded Bus Tag with the assigned p.m. route number to be attached to the student's backpack and a colour coded route card with route number in the windows of the school bus that the Bus Tag is matched to. The program can also provide tags for students who are



walkers and/or who remain at an on-site daycare to make sure they don't get on a bus in error.

For more information, visit main.simcoecountyschoolbus.ca and click on the 'Safety' tab.

Schools are available for community use

Through our Community Use of Schools program, almost all of our schools are available outside of school hours for not-for-profit community groups. Our gyms, fields, auditoriums and classrooms are available for your sporting events, concerts, recitals and more.

You can apply online. A Permit Clerk will process the application and advise if the facility is available at the requested time. Once an application is approved, a rental contract will be issued and the applicant will be invoiced.

For more information, visit www.scdsb.on.ca, click on 'Schools' and then 'Community Use of Schools.'

Pay for field trips, lunch days, etc, with SchoolCash Online

The SchoolCash Online program is available at our school. Parents can pay online for lunch days and other items. Parents who sign up will receive a notification when a new item becomes available for purchase. Items are personalized to each student. Parents use a secure online account to process payments, and can either make a one-time payment

for each item as it occurs, or load money to carry a balance in the online account to make payments in the future. To create an online account, go to simcoecounty.schoolcashionline.com. Please contact the school office with any questions.

Reminder!!
No nuts or nut products at school
 —
EVER!



There are lots of ways to dress for school:

Learn about the new student dress code

The SCDSB is introducing a new student dress code this school year. The dress code was developed in consultation with staff and students. Students are expected to respect the guidelines when dressing for school. Our school is a safe space. We work to be equitable and inclusive, and understand that students may choose to express themselves through their clothing choices. Student clothing cannot pose a safety concern or conceal identity. Exceptions are granted to students who wear head coverings or other garments/objects for the purposes of religious observance, medical or sensory needs, or other reasons protected by the Ontario Human Rights Code.

The SCDSB dress code is available in the student agenda and online at www.scdsb.on.ca. If you have questions about the dress code, you can contact the principal or the SCDSB Equity and Inclusive Education Team at 705-728-7570.

There are lots of ways to dress for school...



...but there are a few things that aren't okay.



Exposed underwear



Spiked or chained accessories



Offensive or inappropriate content