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Principal's Message

Wow, what a year! As hard as it is to believe, we are down to the final weeks of the 2016-2017 school year. By all accounts, it has been both a busy and a successful school year. I have been very proud of our students' academic and social growth. Special congratulations to our grade 7 students, who completed their final year of elementary school, and to our grade 12 and adult students, who have completed their high school graduation. To all of our students, be very proud of what you have accomplished and continue to set personal goals that lead to your personal success!



Our Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony!

It has been an exciting year in terms of firsts. As it was the first year we had all of our grade K-12 programs under our one roof, it was the first time for most of our events. It also meant that we had a new school name and a new school mascot. I would like to thank all of our students, staff and parents who helped make this "First" year very successful.

Thanks for a wonderful 2016-2017 school year!

Sincerely,
Patrick Young

Scent, Citrus & Nut Free



Due to staff and student allergies, Island ConnectEd is a: **Citrus Free, Scent Free, and Nut Sensitive Site.** Please help keep our learning environment safe for all by keeping our site free of these items!

Important Dates

Start of Summer Studies (10-12)	July 10
Provincial Exams (Eng / Com 12)	Aug. 14-15
Start of 2017-2018 School Year	Sept. 5
K-7 Parent Meeting (Tentative)	Sept. 7

Summer Hours / Schedule

Our school is open during the summer for two main groups of learners:

- Students completing Grade 8-12 Island ConnectEd courses which they started during the 2016-2017 school year
- Students who have currently enrolled in new grade 10-12 Island ConnectEd courses

Our summer schedule sees the school open for 4 weeks of studies:

- July 10-14; July 17-21; July 24-28
- Aug. 28-Sept.1

While the school is open each day during those dates, some teachers may be off on certain days so please check your Jupiter grades and emails for their schedule updates.

Staff Update

Each school year sees some changes in school staffing. This year we celebrated the retirement of two of our teachers: Ms. Leona Kyrutow and Mr. Tim Loewen; we wish them all the best as they fill their days with more exciting adventures. We have also said good-bye (at least for the time being) to: Mrs. Gayle Brase, Mr. Mike Collier, Mrs. Tanya Dean, Mrs. Andrea Doak, Mr. Lorne Freedman, Mr. Ed Graf, Mrs. Guerin, and Ms. Dawn Holdom.

We welcome the following teachers to our Island ConnectEd family: Mrs. Carol Cronin (student support teacher), Mrs. Drea Laj (Grade 10-12 Teacher), Ms. Nika Silika (counsellor), Ms. Aleisha Steward (FLOW Teacher-Counsellor), and Mrs. Lindsey Watford (K-7 coordinator).

In addition to new staffing, some of our existing teachers may be overseeing and/or offering new courses. One switch is already in place for our grade 8-9 program. Mrs. Mela Vallentgoed and Ms. Kendra Beck will be the main teachers working with our grade 8-9 students next year.

Plans for next Year (Grades K-9)



To help our school plan for next year, please let us know if your family is moving or transferring to another school or district. Your communication in this regard is greatly appreciated.

Fun Day

On June 20th, several of our teachers and our Leadership 10-12 students hosted a school Fun Day. It was a beautiful, sunny day. We ended the event with a few hard fought tug-of-war challenges. A great day was had by all.



Planning for Next Year

We are all very excited for the 2017-2018 school year. There are a few things to know in preparation for the school year:

- Grades K-7: In early September (Tentatively Sept. 7) we will be hosting a parent information night for our new and existing K-7 families. Please check your email for announcements and additional information. There will be a sign-up for Learning Plan dates at this meeting.
- Grades 8-9: If you haven't already had a learning plan meeting, please contact the office to book a meeting with our grade 8-9 teachers to create a learning plan.
- Grades 10-12: Students only taking courses through Island ConnectEd should contact the office to book a Learning Plan meeting. Meetings may be book during the summer and in the fall.
- Next Year Graduates: If you are only taking courses through Island ConnectEd and believe you will be in a place to graduate next year, please book a meeting with Mrs. Massey.

Grade 10-12 students enrolling in both Island ConnectEd and another school are asked to confirm their courses with their brick and mortar school to help ensure they don't get signed up in the same subject twice.

Have a Fantabulous Summer!

From Everyone at Island ConnectEd, thank you for a very successful "Year One" at our new site and with our new school structure. Have a very relaxing and fantabulous summer!

