

Maple Leaf International School

END-OF-YEAR NEWSLETTER

(a mini edition of late breaking news!)

Grade 8 Graduation

Grade 8 Graduation was a wonderfully planned event to showcase the achievements of our grade 8 students.

Congratulations to our Grade 8s. Thank you teachers and parents.

School Year Calendar

A copy of our School Year Calendar for 2006-07 is attached. A number of parents indicated that they did not receive it with the last newsletter.

Sports Accolades

Recently the Maple Leaf Tennis Team placed second in the schools' tournament. Congratulations to Jabrille Kabli, Jordon Warner, Kirstyn Church, Scott Lanser, Chad Rocke, Mark Henzell and Oscar Ríos for representing our school so well.

Our Cricket Team was recognized with a trophy for winning the Port of Spain & Environs division. Jesse Mansoor, Sheehan Byrne, and Jonathan Lanser represented our school superbly at the Awards Ceremony.

Football

Our huge Soca Warrior T-shirt with all of our students' best wishes and names has been to the three games in Germany. Thank you to Nicholas Mohammed and Jonathan Low, for carrying and displaying our school's tribute to the Soca Warriors.

We are looking for a suitable place to hang this shirt in the school.

MLIS Football

Coach Perkins has continued to work with the Boys and Girls teams in preparation for next season. He hopes that students will keep up the practices through summer. He sees strong potential in both of these groups.

Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) Results

The results are in and will be provided with the final report cards to the Grade 10 students and those in Grades 11 and 12 who wrote. Again our success rate is superb!

New Uniforms Available for 2006-07

(Please keep this for reference)

First, let me apologize for the lateness of this message. We have been going through some significant changes and are only now able to share them with you.

1. MLIS new Uniform Supplier is Pradeep Parsotan, VIRS Ltd. through his store Espree Rainbow, in West Mall he hopes to have our current stock in place for sale in early July. The telephone number for the store is 633 4424 and Sue is our contact.
2. There are three compulsory changes to MLIS uniforms for September 2006 and other changes that will be phased in by September 2007.

Compulsory for September 2006:

- Totally black shoes. (Cobblers will dye shoes that are other colours)
- White or black ankle socks available at Espree.
- Girls will not be permitted to wear pants, only skirts, scooters or skorts

Phased In:

Beginning in August 2007 only the following items will be sold by Espree, West Mall:

- Shirt jacs for the boys
- New shirt design for the girls (one that is shaped and is not tucked in)
- The shirts will be only available in the Oxford Blue colour. It will be the dress as well as the regular uniform
- A new skirt/scooter design for the Grade 9 - 12 girls
- A new flat-front pants for the older boys
- A plaid skort will be available along with the navy one for the JK-Gr. 8 girls
- Other items, T-shirts, sweaters etc. stay the same.

Students may continue to wear the following items during the 2006-07 school year but not in 2007-08:

- Boy's navy pleated front pants
- Girl's navy A-line skirt
- The long white or blue oxford shirt (tucked in of course)

The JK-8 Students continue to be able to wear their P.E. uniform daily.

REMEMBER:

Uniforms must be purchased from Espree Rainbow, West Mall

All uniform items must be of proper size - no oversized pants or shirts

All current rules regarding jewelry and hair continue.

I thank you for your patience as we worked through these changes. Students will appreciate the new design for the shirts. We will be strict in enforcing the rules.

ADMINISTRATION

I wish to thank Dorothy McCrady for her support both to me and to our teachers, students and parents this year. Dorothy is returning to Ontario and we wish her all the best.

In September 2006 MLIS will have two Vice Principals. We welcome Michele Riley to the position of Vice Principal. Her responsibilities will be focused on the elementary grades. Janet Goheen, from Ontario, will also be Vice Principal and her responsibilities will be focused on the secondary grades.

I will continue in the role of Principal for the whole school.

Thank you for your support this year and I look forward to our continued efforts in support of your children's education.

Janet Pomeroy
Principal

PTA CORNER

At an Extraordinary Meeting of the PTA held on Tuesday 27th June 2006, a motion was put forth and approved to declare the last Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the PTA which was held on Thursday 22nd June 2006 at 2:30pm, null and void.

A new AGM will be held on or before 30th September 2006.

Congratulations to all the graduates and do enjoy your summer holidays.

THE PTA

Have a safe and happy vacation. See you in September.