

# Delburne Centralized School

## Weekly Update

September 1, 2023

### WELCOME

We are so excited for the upcoming school year! Please see the [attached letter](#).

### BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ

We are excited to welcome our students and families to our Back to School BBQ, which will take place on **Thursday, September 7th from 4:00 - 6:30 p.m.** Be sure to pop in and introduce yourself to the school staff and take a tour of your child's learning environment. Parent Council will be joining us and will be providing dessert, face painting and tattoos for children. They will also share information about how to get involved with the Delburne Parent Council. We look forward to connecting with you!

### NEW LOGO/ ONLINE STORE

We are so excited to announce that we have updated the Delburne Trojans logo to honour tradition and culture, while also modernizing and making it a more gender inclusive design. Please check out the link to make an order to proudly sport some new DCS swag. Please note that our online store will close on Sept. 19 with an approximate arrival time on October 13th. <https://dcsspiritwear2023.itemorder.com/>

### GET TO KNOW THE SCHOOL!

There are many ways to stay up to date with the school! The best ways include...

[DCS Website](#)

[DCS Facebook Page](#)

[DCS Instragram](#)

### BREAKFAST PROGRAM

We are pleased to announce that we have a daily Breakfast Program that is available for all students. Breakfast is served in both the Elementary end of the school as well as the High School end of the school. This program is free of charge and provides healthy, nutritious food options to start the school day.

### TERRY FOX

Our annual Delburne School Terry Fox Walk will take place on **Friday, September 15th at 2:00 p.m.** Together as a school, we will do a lap around town and then return to the school for a freebies. Thank you to our High School Leadership Group for helping run the Terry Fox Walk

As part of teaching global citizenship, we are asking for students to donate a "Toonie for Terry" (if possible). This money will then be forwarded on to the Terry Fox Foundation for Cancer Research.

We would love to invite parents to join us for our Terry Fox event! We will meet outside of the elementary school doors (east side of school) just prior to 2:15 and then head out as a group.

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### ATHLETICS

We have a lot of exciting athletic opportunities in the upcoming weeks. We look forward to Volleyball, Golf and Cross Country Running.

Please note volleyball tryouts begin on the following dates.

Senior High Boys and Girls Volleyball Tryouts: **September 5 and 6 from 4:00 - 6:00**

Junior High Boys and Girls Volleyball Tryouts: **September 7, 8 and 11 from 4:00 - 5:30**

Our Senior High golf team heads to a tournament in Wainwright on **September 8th.**

### FSW

Welcome back to another exciting school year. This is my second year working as a Family Wellness Worker at Delburne and Elnora Schools. I had an amazing last year learning my new role and getting to know all of the amazing students, parents (guardians), and school staff.

If you need support or resources, please let me know. Every day, except Thursdays I am in Delburne, and on Thursdays, I will be in Elnora. My email is [zudovicic@cesd73.ca](mailto:zudovicic@cesd73.ca) and my cell is 1-403-638-6477. Have a wonderful school year!!!

Zeljka FSW

### PAC

We look forward to our first PAC meeting of the year on **Thursday, September 12th** at 3:30 in the library. We always look forward to welcoming new members to be part of this

### ON THE CALENDAR

<b>MONDAY</b> <b>September 4</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>September 5</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>September 6</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>September 7</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b> <b>September 8</b>
Labour Day - No School	Back to School!  SR Boys and Girls Volleyball Tryouts 4:00-6:00	SR Boys and Girls Volleyball Tryouts 4:00-6:00	SR Girls Volleyball 6:30-8:00 a.m.  SR Boys Volleyball 3:15-5:00  JR Girls Volleyball Tryouts 4:00 - 5:30  **Back to School BBQ 4:00 - 6:30. Everyone welcome!	M/W Kindergarten  SR Golf Tournament in Wainwright 9:15 - 3:15  JR Girls Volleyball Tryouts 4:00 - 5:30

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Dear Delburne School Community,

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! All of the staff at Delburne School are so excited for the upcoming year! We want to extend a very warm welcome to our returning students as well as the students who will be joining our school community for the first time.

This year, we will continue to focus on the academic achievement of our DCS students. Our school team is filled with passionate and dedicated individuals who will do everything possible to support our students as they work to acquire new knowledge and skills. In addition to our academic pursuits, we are dedicated to nurturing the social and emotional well being of every student. We understand the importance of creating a safe and inclusive space where students can express themselves, build meaningful relationships and develop essential life skills.

Students can once again look forward to a wide range of extracurricular activities and events being offered at Delburne School. These activities and events will allow students an opportunity to explore their passions, develop leadership skills and make lasting memories.

You will soon be receiving a Delburne School Handbook. This handbook will come home with your youngest or only child in the school. The purpose of the handbook is to provide you with information pertaining to the school and the education of your child. It also contains rules and regulations related to Delburne School as well as some district policies.

Communication between home and school is essential for a successful educational journey. We encourage parents and guardians to actively engage with us, ask questions and seek clarity when needed. We will provide regular updates through our weekly parent updates as well our online monthly newsletter, The Trojan Tribune. In addition, we will provide our families with updates through our Delburne School Facebook page and we will provide 24-hour online access to information and documents via the website at [www.delburneschool.ca](http://www.delburneschool.ca). Open communication is so important to us so please do not ever hesitate to reach out and connect with someone at the school.

On **Thursday, September 7 from 4:00-6:30** we will be having a Back to School BBQ. We will be serving hot dogs, chips, beverages and cookies. The school and classrooms will be open and you are more than welcome to tour the school and visit your child's classroom. We look forward to seeing you all then!

This year, we will have some new people joining the DCS team. The list below highlights our staff assignments for the upcoming school year. In addition to the staffing update below, please note that Mrs. Bourne will be taking a leave of absence until Sept. 22 and Mr. Dreschler will be taking a three month leave of absence. We are excited to welcome Ms. Germain who will be filling in for Mrs. Bourne and Mrs. Botha who will be filling in for Mr. Dreschler.

### **K - 4 Team**

- Mrs. Stephanie Vanderneut - Kindergarten
- Mrs. Janet Pisko - Grade 1
- Mrs. Stephany Dreeshen - Grade 2
- Ms. Tracy Kozey - Grade 3
- Mrs. Pam Dudar - Grade 3/4
- Mr. David Dale - Grade 4

### **5 - 8 Team**

- Ms. Amy Gardner - Grade 5
- Ms. Chey Cocke - Grade 6
- Mrs. Courtney Biggs - Grade 7 and 8 Language Arts and Social Studies
- Ms. Germain and Mrs. Cheryle Bourne - Grade 7 and 8 Math and Science

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### **Grade 9 - 12 Team:**

- Ms. Melissa Abbott - PE 7 - 12, CALM, SEW and Athletic Director
- Ms. Kaytlin Betts - English 9 - 12, Fine Arts and Options 9 - 12
- Mrs. Leanne Botha and Mr. Adrian Dreschler - Biology, Social 9, Science 9, High School Options, Grade 4 & 5 PE
- Ms. Emily McArthur - Industrial Arts 7 - 12, Math 9, Grade 4 & 5 PE
- Mrs. Deirdre McEachern - Credits and Careers (Grade 9 - 12)
- Ms. Tracy Ray - Social 9 - 12, Career Counsellor
- Mr. Nicholas Schultz - Math 9 - 12, High School Options
- Mr. Rob Simpson - Chemistry, Physics, Science 10 & 24, Math 10-3, High School Options
- Mrs. Jackie Smith - Elementary PE and Grade 7 - 12 Foods

### **Administration Team**

- Mrs. Jocelyn Pennock - Principal
- Mrs. Tricia Simpson - Vice Principal

### **Administration Support Team**

- Mrs. Jill Bellerive
- Mrs. Kim Page
- Ms. Robin Ritchie

### **Educational Supports**

- Ms. Lena Jackson
- Ms. Rachelle Hughes
- Ms. Krystal Stackniak
- Mrs. Donna Peterson
- Mrs. Bev Christensen
- Mrs. Tina Muir
- Mrs. Leslie Raniseth
- Ms. Robin Ritchie
- Mrs. Tasha Senecal
- Mrs. Debbie Wilson
- Mrs. Karen Wood

### **Custodial Staff**

- Shauna Dorsey
- Jennifer Lukenbill
- Cassandra Hancher

### **Chinook's Edge School Trustee**

- DeAnne Hutchison

We are truly excited to welcome you all back to Delburne School! We look forward to a year filled with learning, growth, discovery and achievement! Please know that you can always reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns. Your child's education and well-being is very important to us and we are more than happy to talk things through over the phone or meet with you at the school to answer your questions or provide clarity if needed.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jocelyn Pennock, Principal  
Mrs. Tricia Simpson, Vice Principal