



Ernestown Secondary School

Principal's Message

June 2023

Dear Eagle Families,

As we approach the end of the school year, I want to express my gratitude to this community. This past year has been a journey filled with challenges and triumphs, and I am immensely proud of the resilience and dedication that ESS has shown.



To our students, thank you for your commitment to learning, growth, and investing in your school community. Your determination and adaptability have been truly remarkable, and I am proud of the progress you have made throughout the year. To our parents and families, your support and partnership have been invaluable. Thank you for your trust and involvement in your child's education. Your contributions have made a significant difference in their success, and our students are stronger when we work together. To the dedicated ESS staff, thank you for your tireless efforts, passion, and commitment to our students' well-being and academic progress. Your hard work and care create a positive and nurturing environment for our entire school community.

As a reminder for our Ernestown families, June is both Pride Month and National Indigenous History Month and I invite you to take time to honour and celebrate the diverse range of voices histories and perspectives within our school community. Let us always work to foster an environment of inclusivity, respect, and understanding for all.

As we look forward to the summer break, I encourage you to take time to relax, recharge, and spend quality moments with loved ones. Let this be a time to reflect on the past year's accomplishments and to embrace the hope and excitement that the future holds.

Once again, thank you for being part of our incredible school community. I am grateful for your contributions and look forward to welcoming you back for another amazing year ahead.

With Gratitude,

Shannon Tyner



June Events

June 1

- Mathletes competition

June 6

- Athletic Banquet
- Drama class trip to Gananoque Playhouse

June 7

- Students' Council meeting
- ESS Night for the Arts

June 8

- Girls softball tournament

June 12

- Public Health bus visit

June 14

- Students' Council Meeting

June 17

- Kingston Pride Parade

June 21

- National Indigenous Peoples Day
- Last day of classes before exams
- Summer Solstice

June 22-June 28

- Exams

June 29

- Grade 12 Graduation!

June 30

- PA Day (No School)



Congratulations to Sam Waller (*far right*) for his fantastic showing at the Canadian Championships in Richmond, B.C.! Team Ontario won Silver, with Sam finishing 8th overall in Canada in Vault, 7th overall in Parallel Bars, and 5th overall in High Bar. Sam finished 17th All-Around in Canada! Great work, Sam!

LIMESTONE STUDENT ACHIEVERS AWARD



A huge congratulations to Ada Beal, Ernestown's recipient of a Limestone Student Achievers Award! This award celebrates the achievements of students whose exceptional accomplishments merit recognition beyond that of school-based awards. Recipients demonstrate exemplary achievement in the following three categories: Academics, Arts & Athletics and Leadership. Way to go, Ada! We are super proud of you!



Through Our Eyes

EXPERIENCES THAT SHAPE US

Museum of Lennox and Addington Art Exhibit

The Museum of Lennox & Addington recently invited a group of Ernestown students to create and curate a special art exhibit. The participating artists were responsible for the theme of the exhibit, the creation of artwork, the content of the panels, and the installation of the exhibit.

Participating artists included Kailee John, Veronika Nesich, Joslyn Richer, William Jugloff, Sam Pettigrew, Sarah Fraser, Paige Rogers, Ezra McKinlay, and Holly Williams. It is the hope of these artists that their work will offer insight into their personal experiences as a youth today. The exhibit will be on display at the Museum until the end of August. A special thank you to Hayden Leduc and Jayden Warling for playing music during the exhibition's opening reception :)



MAY MANIA





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STRATFORD 2023

A group of 48 students and their teachers ventured all the way to Stratford, Ont. to see some wonderful Theater at the Stratford Festival! Not only did they enjoy the many sights and eateries that Stratford has to offer, but they marveled at the wonderful talent displayed by the Rent and Spamalot performers!

School to
Community
FUN ZONE
FIELD TRIP!





ESS NIGHT OF THE ARTS



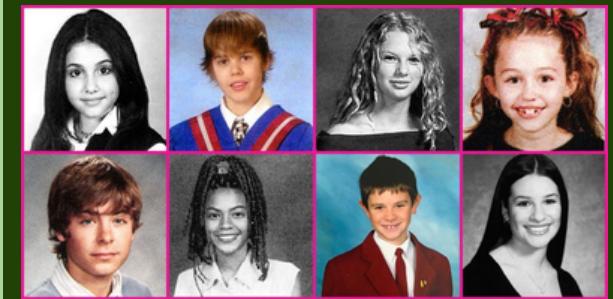
We were so proud of these Eagles for all of their work and excitement leading up to Ernestown's inaugural "Night of the Arts"! The talent displayed by our performers was exceptional and we appreciate the support from our parent and guardian community. Thank you for joining us for some long overdue fun!



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Before these stars made it big, they posted up for their yearbook, too!

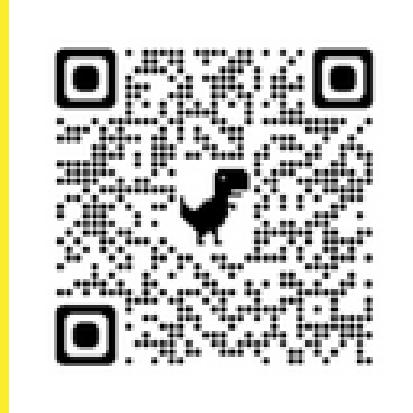
See Mr. Wilson to get your pic included!

Pay cash, or order for your child today through School Day and pick up in June or Sept!

YEARBOOKS



Wow!



Equity & Diversity Matters at ESS



Founded as 'National Access Awareness Week' in 1988 and inspired by Rick Hansen's Man in Motion World Tour, this week is an opportunity to celebrate Canadians with disabilities and raise awareness of the critical need for accessibility and inclusion in every community and workplace.



The National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism is a time to remember those who have lost their lives through acts of terror. The date was chosen to coincide with the anniversary of the tragic bombing of Air India Flight 182 off the coast of Ireland in 1985.



World Refugee Day aims to honour the courage of millions of refugees worldwide and the many contributions they make in their new country.



Eid al-Adha is a significant annual Islamic observance for many Muslims in Canada. It is also known as the Feast of Sacrifice or Festival of Sacrifice.

June 21: National Indigenous Peoples Day

"National Indigenous Peoples Day is a day for all Canadians to recognize and celebrate the unique heritage, diverse cultures and outstanding achievements and contributions of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.



National Aboriginal Day, as it was named at the time, was first celebrated on June 21, 1996, after being recognized through a proclamation by then Governor General Roméo LeBlanc. On June 21, 2017, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau issued a statement announcing the government's intention to rename National Aboriginal Day to National Indigenous Peoples Day." (Source: Aboriginal Peoples Television Network aptn.ca)

National Indigenous Peoples Day provides an opportunity for all Canadians to celebrate Indigenous history and culture and to make a commitment to life-long reconcili-ACTION by living in right relations with the Indigenous community.

Join us at City Park in Kingston on June 21st to celebrate National Indigenous Peoples Day!



JUNE 21ST IS NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

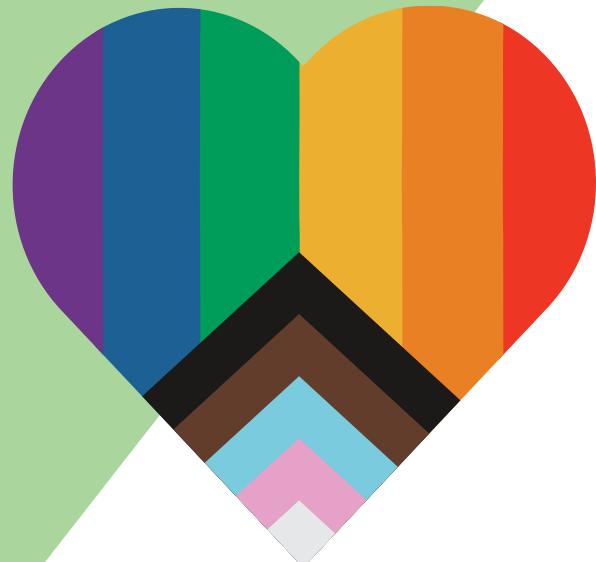
All are welcome to celebrate at City Park! Enjoy live performers, Sacred Fire, children and youth programming, Artists Alley, local Indigenous vendors, food, community resources fair and more!

Wednesday June 21st, 2023
City Park
Free breakfast 9am
Events 10am - 6pm



Equity & Diversity Matters at ESS

As the world celebrates Pride Month, this is an opportune time to recognize and honour the accomplishments of 2SLGBTQ+ communities and reflect on the social justice work that still needs to be done. As educators, our role is to always ensure that all LDSB students and staff feel well-supported and experience a strong sense of belonging in Limestone. Check out LDSB's Pride Month newsletter for suggestions on great resources and learning opportunities: <https://www.smore.com/3p7tn>



LDSB @ Kingston Pride

Saturday, June 17, 2023



Meet at 11:30 a.m. at Kingston Memorial Centre
303 York Street, Kingston

Look for the school bus!

Parade starts at 12:00 Noon



 **Limestone**
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

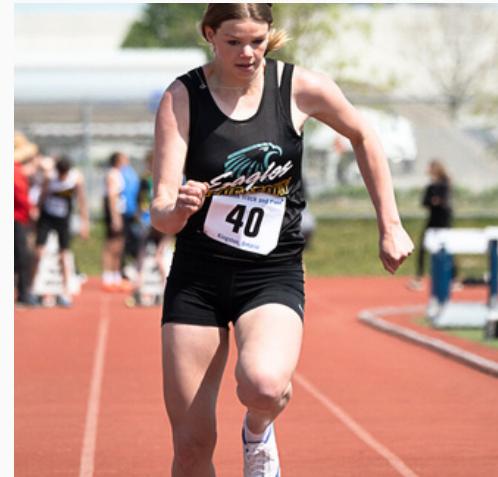
Students, staff, and families -
everyone is welcome!

Many members of our Ernestown school community participated in the Napanee Pride Parade on June 3rd! Join us once again for the Kingston Pride parade on June 17th. All are welcome! :)



E-TOWN SPORTS

The Ernestown Track & Field Team concluded their season with competitive days at the KASSAA Championship tournaments on May 16th & 17th! Well done, Eagles!



Eagle in Profile



HAYLEIGH KNETSCH

Hayleigh is a grade 9 student who has jumped into Ernestown Athletics with both feet! Hayleigh has been a part of our Field Hockey, Volleyball, Curling, Soccer, Softball & Ultimate Programs.

Hayleigh has shown grit, determination and commitment to all of the teams she has been a part of this year.

Congratulations Hayleigh!

Stay in the loop...



<https://twitter.com/ESSRecLead>



<https://www.youtube.com/@ernestownathletics3201>



Spring Sports Continued!

The Ernestown Ultimate team opened their season by having a great day in some tough weather conditions at the KASSAA Invitational Tournament. They followed up with a strong day at the KASSAA Championship Tournament. The coaching staff are already looking forward to even more growth and wins next year!



News from Student Services

Graduation

The Class of 2022/23 Commencement Ceremony will take place on June 29th @ 3:00 pm in the gymnasium. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria directly after the ceremony. Potential graduates received their invitations last month.

Congratulations to the Class of 2023!

GRADUATES SHOULD ARRIVE AT ESS BY 2:00PM AND PROCEED TO ROOM 116 WHERE THEY WILL RECEIVE THEIR GOWN AND CEREMONY INSTRUCTIONS



Summer school registration is still open!

Register through myBlueprint. Students interested in registering for summer Co-op can find the registration form on the LDSB website under "Programming", then "Summer Programming"

Only students with planned exams or assessments should attend school between June 22-June 29



GOOD LUCK ON YOUR EXAMS EAGLES!

GOT 40 HOURS?



INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS ARE POSTED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD OUTSIDE OF STUDENT SERVICES



TIMETABLES WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE STUDENTS LEAVE FOR THE SUMMER. TIMETABLE CHANGES CAN BE MADE THE LAST WEEK OF AUGUST. PLEASE BOOK AN APPOINTMENT USING THE LINK ON THE ESS WEBSITE UNDER "STUDENT SERVICES"





A view from the classroom:



Olympians in the making! Eagles from Phys-Ed and Science classes demonstrated their skills in the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP). Everyone hit the mark and had a great time! Thank you to Mr. Kress for the amazing learning opportunity!





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