

# SWANAVON SCHOOL

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## School Council Report – March 2020

**Student Population:** 222

### **Student Update:**

We developed Colour Groups to build relationships within our school community. We also wanted to introduce the students to other students in different grades and to ensure our students were familiar and comfortable with all the adults they see in the halls. Groups meet every Wednesday from 2:00-2:45pm. The students from grades one to grade six are divided into 7 groups by their teachers. The groups are cross graded and have the opportunity to do the activities that each teacher has to offer.

Please note that Parent Teacher Interviews are held March 24, from 3:30 pm – 6:30 pm and again on March 25, from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Please book your interviews with through SignUp Genius. The link will be emailed out to parents by our Administrative Assistant, Mrs. Weaver.

**Our students are encouraged to “Break the Rules” on March 13, by choosing one or all the following:**

- Wear PJs
- Wear a Hat
- Bring toy/tech for recess
- Chew Gum
- Choose your playground at recess

**We are asking our students to bring \$1.00 for each school rule they are breaking outlined above.**

### **Staffing Update:**

Ms. Hansen, now known as Ms. Zimmerman, will be returning from her maternity leave March 30. Mr. Andrew Chappell is currently teaching our grade three students as he is covering Ms. Zimmerman’s maternity leave. Both teachers will be with the grade three class Monday, March 30 for transition purposes. We welcome back Ms. Zimmerman and wish Mr. Chappell much success in his teaching career.

### **Staff Training:**

Staff Book Study: The Boy Who Was Raised as a Dog

The book study is intended to aid our staff to use the findings of the research to improve our understanding of child development, attachment, the brain and the effects of adversity, such as trauma and neglect, on children. Building this informed understanding will help our staff interact with all children in a way that is both neurodevelopmentally informed and sensitive to the possibility of trauma exposure.

### **Upcoming Important School Events:**

1 – Swanavon Singers 3pm -5pm

3 – School Council 7:00pm in Staff Room

5 – Teacher’s and EA’s Convention –**No Classes**

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13 – **Break the Rules Day – Raising funds for our Literacy Kits** 😊

16 – BOOK CLUB Chapters 7-10

17 – Wear Green St. Patrick’s Day; Late Entry FI, Montessori and ECS Online  
Registration School Engage

19 – Report Cards go HOME

20 – PL Day – **No classes**

24 – Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30pm-6:30pm

25 – Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00pm-7:00pm

26 – March Assembly

27 – PTI Day in lieu -- **No classes**

### **April**

5 – Swanavon Singers 3pm-5pm

7 – School Council 7:00pm in Staff Room

9 – Spring Bonnet Parade 10:30am

10 – Good Friday – Start of Spring Break

10 – 19 SPRING BREAK

20 – Classes Resume; BOOK CLUB Chapters 11-13

23 – Superhero Day

24 – Professional Learning Day – **No classes**

29 – Assembly 12:20pm