

# The Grove

THE LATEST NEWS, EVENTS, AND UPDATES FROM NEWTON'S GROVE SCHOOL

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## Awesome Start!

As we finish up the first month of school at both the Main campus and the Etobicoke Campus, it's amazing to see how much joy and kindness have already filled both schools. From warm welcomes and new friendships to the laughter echoing through the halls, there's a wonderful sense of community all around us.

Our students have jumped into learning with so much curiosity and care - helping each other out, sharing ideas, and showing kindness in so many small but meaningful ways. In every classroom, you can feel their excitement as they explore new concepts and work together to solve problems.

Our teachers continue to bring creativity and heart to everything they do, making learning engaging and supportive for every student. It's a reminder that at Newton's Grove, kindness really is at the center of everything we do.

Thank you for your ongoing support and trust. We can't wait to share all the great moments still to come this year!

## Freestyle & Fabulous! — A Night to Remember

Our Freestyle & Fabulous Cocktail Party was truly an evening to celebrate! Thanks to the incredible support of our community, the event was a tremendous success. The Wine Wall completely sold out, our auction items sparked plenty of friendly competition, and an impressive 25 theatre chairs have now been sponsored for our new Drama Space.

The highlight of the night was the outstanding Jazz Alumni Band, along with the unforgettable performance by Mr. Mazen and Mr. Meister, whose vocals and guitar brought the house down. The energy, laughter, and Newton's Grove spirit were felt in every corner of the room.

Together, we raised an incredible \$20,185 toward our Phase 3 Drama Space - a wonderful step forward in expanding our creative arts facilities. I'll be reaching out to all auction winners and donors to coordinate prize redemptions, and once we receive the professional photos from the evening, we'll be delighted to share them with you.

Thank you to everyone who attended, contributed, and helped make the night so fabulous!





## Spirit Wear!



We are excited to share some exciting news with you regarding an upcoming event that promises to bring our school community together in a spirit of fun, camaraderie, and athleticism.

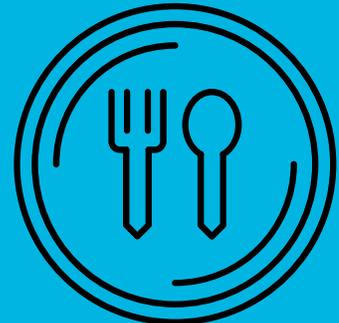
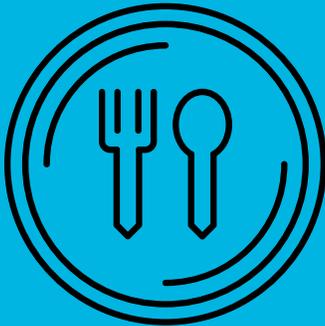
The athletic council is thrilled to announce the launch of our “Spirit Wear Sale”, featuring exclusive merchandise sporting our athletic logo. The Spirit Wear Sale concludes on Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup> end of day. To place your order, please visit Newton’s Grove School e-store at: [click here](#)

**All orders will be filled by November 10 and delivered to school for distribution.**

**At checkout, please use school address for delivery.**

**This initiative aims to boost our collective school spirit. Don’t miss your chance to show your pride and support our school! Stock up on gear and wear your school colours with pride at games, events, and around the community. Throughout the course of the school year, there will be designated days, giving students and staff the opportunity to wear their spirit gear.**

## A message from Kat’s Catering at the Main Campus



We hope everyone enjoyed a relaxing and exciting summer and that the first month of the new school year has been a great start!

Here in the cafeteria, our team is excited to welcome both new and returning students. We look forward to serving you and making your meals a highlight of the day.

Throughout the year, we’ll be introducing a variety of exciting and delicious new items. Please stop by to say hello, try something new, and share your feedback with us - we’d love to hear from you!

To help make your cafeteria experience both speedy and enjoyable, here are a few helpful reminders:

- Preorder whenever possible. (This applies to all grades.) Preordering ensures you get exactly what you want without waiting in long lunch lines. Orders placed before your lunch period will be prepared in advance. When you arrive, simply go to the front of the line and provide your name for quick pick-up.
- Let us know about food sensitivities or allergies. This is very important to us, as we want your cafeteria experience to be safe as well as delicious.
- Check your Edsby messages on Sunday evenings. This is where we’ll be posting our weekly specials.

We’re excited for another great year ahead and can’t wait to serve you!

Warmly,  
Christa, Margaret, and Nia

## The Pathway of Communication at both Campuses:

### 1 *Edsby: Teacher/Parent Communication*

Edsby is the only way to learn about your child's learning and to keep in touch with their teachers. Please be sure to check it every night. The *River of News* posted on Edsby, will highlight upcoming events and the calendar will host all important dates. Please use Edsby to communicate with your teachers.

### 2 *The Grove and The Grove Connection:*

- First Week of the Month: The *School Wide "Grove"* from Miss Cheri Grogan, Head of School
- Third week of the Month: "*The Grove Connection*" from:
  - Eva Diab, Principal
  - Rebekah Santiago, Junior School VP
  - Marny Burke, Middle School VP
  - Pratiksha Mehra, Senior School VP
- NOTE: The *Signature Program Grove* will be sent out once per term

## Parking Lot Reminders at the Main Campus

Thank you so much for following the rules of the parking lot. Things have been improving since the start of school. The list below outlines the rules of the parking lot, that if followed will speed up your drop-off and pick-up routines; and most importantly keep all students safe:

- Pick-up can occur anytime between 3:30pm - 4:00pm. If you arrive just after 3:40pm, the parking lot is generally less busy.
- Grade 6 - 12 parents are encouraged to drop-off and pick-up in the Paul Coffey Park right beside the school - access to the park is via the Paul Coffey Park north parking lot off Goreway Drive.
- Please do not stop in any driving lanes, all stopped cars must be in a parking spot or continue to drive around the parking lot circle until your child arrives outside.
- Once the buses are gone, you can pull around into the bus pick-up and drop-off zones for a quick drop-off or pick up of your child.
- When entering the parking lot, please reduce your speed to below 15km/hour and be very cautious when reversing out of parking spots.



## Parking Lot Reminders (cont'd)

- When entering the parking lot all drivers MUST veer right and continue around the parking lot in a counterclockwise direction.
- Please DO NOT enter the parking lot and go directly to the handicap parking spots, since these spots are reserved for cars with a handicap designation. If you do have a handicap designation, you are still required to drive around the parking lot in a counterclockwise direction until you reach the designated parking spots.
- DO NOT drop off your child at the entrance of the parking lot, please drive around the loop and use the kiss and ride, or park your car and escort them across the parking lot.
- Please DO NOT drop your child off on Goreway at the front door, it is extremely dangerous with the speed of the traffic flow.



*Cheri Grogan*  
HEAD OF SCHOOL

Welcome to our new member of staff! Ms. Sue Sanders joins Ms. Jessica Sookdeo, at the front office! Please be sure to drop by and say hi 😊.

## KEY DATES AT BOTH CAMPUSES



**MONDAY, OCT 13TH**

No School: Thanksgiving



**TUESDAY, OCT 14TH, 21ST, 28TH**

JK-12: #1 Uniform



**FRIDAY, OCT 17TH**

Fashion Friday JK-12

**SATURDAY, OCT 25TH**



Open House:

Main Campus 10:00am - 1:00pm

Open House and Grand Opening:

Etobicoke Campus 2:30pm - 4:00pm



**FRIDAY, OCT 31ST**

Halloween



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Progress Reports Available at 5:00pm

### Event Icon Legend



PARENT & CHILD



STAFF



PARENTS & GUARDIANS



ALL



STAFF & STUDENTS



On behalf of all of us at NGS, Happy Thanksgiving Weekend!!!

