

Dear Ernestown Intermediate & Secondary School Community,

Thank you for your patience and flexibility as we were navigating a district wide Cyber Event last week. We are pleased to report that Safe Arrival for reporting student absences, external email to and from LDSB addresses, and School Day for any permission forms or payments you may need to make. Please find below some important updates and upcoming events for May.

LESAA Sports: Track & Field

Track & Field: Would you like to participate in a Road Race? LCVI's Road Race is scheduled for May 5th. Our district meet is on May 23, 2025 and the finals are on June 3rd, 2025. See Mr. Fields for more information!

Also: Ultimate Frisbee is coming in June!

Reminder: Canada's Wonderland Trip – First Payment Due

This is a friendly reminder that the first payment for the Grade 8 graduation trip to Canada's Wonderland is **due this Friday, May 2**. Please also note that **students will not have access to the water park** during this trip. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact the school. Thank you for your support!

Grade 8 Graduation – Save the Date!

We are excited to celebrate our Grade 8 students at their graduation ceremony on **Monday, June 23!**

- **Students are to meet in the school cafeteria at 3:30 PM** to prepare for the ceremony.
- The **ceremony will begin promptly at 4:00 PM** and will end around **5:00 PM**.
- After the ceremony, families are welcome to take photos in the school foyer. Later that evening, students will continue the celebration downtown:
- Please **drop students off at Crawford Wharf pier (1 Brock Street) at 6:30 PM**.
- **Pick-up time is at 9:00 PM** at the same location.

Additional details will be shared as we get closer to the date. We look forward to celebrating this special milestone with you!

Have You Rode the Loyalist Link Yet?

Do you know there's a new way to get around Loyalist Township? Take a ride on the Loyalist Link, connecting Bath, Odessa, Amherstview to Kingston! See [link](#) for more information.

Yearbook Update- Yearbook Orders are Now Available on School Day

We're excited to announce that this year's yearbook will be available for purchase through School Day. The cost of the yearbook is \$15, and all orders can be made directly through your School Day account. Don't miss the chance to celebrate and remember this school year—order yours today! Also, we are actively looking for photos of our Eagles at school, so please submit any photos to the [link](#) attached.

Summer Plans—Check out Skilled Ontario Camps

We are excited to invite you to explore the Skilled Trades Camp offered by Skills Ontario! Students in grade 7 and 8 last week listened to a fantastic presentation by Shelley O'Rourke about Skilled Ontario. Shelly has sent us the information for our students to apply for this fantastic opportunity with locations

in Belleville and Kingston. Trades & Tech Summer Camps provide a fantastic opportunity for students to learn about various skilled trades through hands-on activities and engaging workshops. It's a great way to discover potential career paths and develop valuable skills. Don't miss out on this amazing experience! For more information and to register, please visit the [link](#) provided.

LDSB Summer School– Grade 8s Can Register for Civics & Careers

We would like to inform you about the registration process for the upcoming LDSB Summer School Session. Summer session is open to grade 8 students who want to register to take Civics and Careers this summer.

All LDSB students registering for LDSB courses must do so through myBlueprint. For registration in Civics and Careers, please ensure they register for both courses in myBlueprint. Registration for Summer Session closes on Thursday, June 26th at 12:00pm.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the Continuing Education department at their email address: summer912@limestone.on.ca. See the form for your convenience
*****include form*****

Calling All Families - Host an International Student!

Have you ever considered welcoming a student from another country in your home? The Limestone DSB and Ernestown SS have a proud tradition of hosting students from other countries, and we are looking to continue this growth next year!

Hosting an international student is a highly rewarding experience! Limestone schools host more than 120 international students each year from countries such as Brazil, Italy, China, Germany, Czech Republic, Thailand, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Spain, Slovakia, Vietnam, Rwanda and others. Many life-long friendships have developed out of Limestone's international student homestay program. Some students come for one semester to improve their English and experience living in a new culture; others come for a longer period to prepare for entering a Canadian college or university. International students range in age from 12 to 17. We are currently looking for host families for all lengths of stay from four months to two years. Participating families are compensated with a tax-free monthly stipend of \$1,075/month (this amount will increase again in September 2026) at the beginning of each month. For more information please call (613) 544-7745 (ext. 290) or visit <https://internationalel.limestone.on.ca> for application forms.

One Last Thing from KFL&A

Protect yourself from Lyme Disease ***include insert***

At a Glance–Events Coming up at Ernestown Intermediate & Secondary School

Wednesday, May 7: LCVI Road Race

Monday, May 14: Challenge Class write the Gauss Math Contest

Monday, May 19: Victoria Day (no classes)

Wednesday, May 21: School Council Meeting tonight at 6:30 pm in the Commons

Friday, May 23: LESAA District Meet for Track

Friday, May 30: PA Day (no classes)

June 3: LESSA District Finals for Track

Thursday, June 12: Grade 7/8 Year End Trip

Monday, June 23: Grade 8 Graduation (at 4pm) and Boat Cruise (6:30 meet at Crawford Wharf for a 7:00pm-9:00pm cruise)

Kind regards,
Ms. Hamilton & Mr. Wilson