



## INTRODUCTION TO PARENTS

Buddy, the bulldog, our school mascot, as well as all teaching and support staffs are ready to greet our students, anxious to begin or to continue their French Immersion education. We look forward to providing the best education possible for your child. To accomplish this, we need and appreciate your cooperation, trust, and respect. Our goal is to support a variety of educational experiences, integrating academics with various physical and cerebral activities, special days, and school trips to influence and promote social, emotional and academic growth. Our expectation is that all students will put forth their best efforts and participate in all of the educational activities that we offer. Watch for monthly celebration certificates to know if your child is following classroom rules, being respectful, and completing assigned work.

Character education will continue to be our focus as we encourage and practise selected virtues. These will be highlighted in our monthly newsletter. Please post our “virtues of the month” and help us to empower your child to use them everyday. Anti-bullying discussions and presentations will also continue.

We appreciate your support as we begin another year. If you would like to volunteer, please complete and return the form or call our secretary, Louise Dal Pai, or me. Our calendar handbook should answer many of your questions. Please, read it and keep it handy so that you are up to date with school happenings. Should questions or concerns arise, please feel free to call me at 567-4030.

Sincerely yours in education,

*Linda L. Henry*

## DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD ONTARIO NORTH EAST

### MISSION STATEMENT



*District School Board Ontario North East is committed to providing a safe, positive and mutually respectful student-focused environment which promotes the development of skills, knowledge and attitudes necessary for life long learning.*

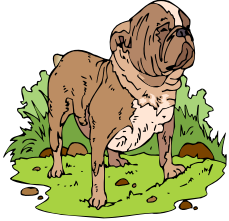
Central Public School is located in the Southern Region of District School Board Ontario North East. Our large Board stretches from Hearst to Temagami. The Director of Education, Mrs. Linda Knight, works from Corporate Office in Schumacher. The Southern Region Superintendent, Mrs. Jo-Anne Plaunt, is responsible for schools from Temagami to Kirkland Lake. Mrs. Plaunt may be reached by phone at 1-800-461-8759 or at the following address:

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Our elected representative is Rosemary Pochopsky, Vice-Chair,  
District School Board Ontario North East

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## SCHOOL MOTTO

**ON S'AIME, ON PARTAGE  
WE CARE, WE SHARE**

Central's staff works diligently to provide the best education to meet your child's needs and ability. Our Balanced School Day allows our students to have longer blocks of uninterrupted programming for language and math. Every classroom focuses on four reading and writing blocks during literacy classes. Physical Education is scheduled daily. The arts are flourishing. Every class is in the computer lab at least twice a week. Robotics is an important part of the Junior curriculum and our computer lab has been redesigned to accommodate robotics. Class work from grade one to six is a balance of teacher and student directed learning experiences. Our goal is to address the different learning styles of our students. Our curriculum follows the Ontario Curriculum guidelines and the French as a Second Language/French Immersion Grades 1 – 6 Ontario Curriculum.

Central School is the only public school in Kirkland Lake to offer a Junior Kindergarten through Grade 6 French Immersion Program. Students transition to Kirkland Lake District Composite School, a dual track school, offering both French Immersion and English from Grade 7 to 12. Our goal is to offer a strong French Immersion program and we schedule French Immersion classes as follows:

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| Junior Kindergarten | 75% French Language Instruction  |
| Senior Kindergarten | 90% French Language Instruction  |
| Grade 1             | 100% French Language Instruction |
| Grade 2             | 100% French Language Instruction |
| Grade 3             | 75% French Language Instruction  |
| Grade 4, 5 and 6    | 50% French Language Instruction  |

Both English and French guest presentations enhance the curriculum.



*Children need models rather than critics.*

*Joseph Joubert (1754 - 1824) French writer*

