



June is upon us! Time can be such a funny concept- this year has sometimes felt like one of the longest ever and yet, here we are, near its end…a year like no other! I have enjoyed my first year at Arklan and look forward to when it will be back to the bustling place of clubs, teams, events and face to face interactions. Thank you for welcoming me and helping to make sure my first year here was as good as it could be!

From the Principal's Desk

June 2021

As you may have heard, we will be saying goodbye to a few of our dedicated staff members. Mrs. Boyer will be moving to a school that is a little closer to home in the Brockville area. We know that she will be greatly missed and there will be many students that she will miss as well! Mrs. Powell, Mme. Belkiouer, Mr. Bratton, Mrs. Thornton, Mrs. Loder, Mrs. Wark and Mme. Sweeney have done such a wonderful job stepping into roles that required their patience and professionalism. We hold out hope that they will be back at Arklan in some capacity next year!

We would also like to take the time to thank Chrysanthe Michaelis, our School Council chair for the past few years, for her time and dedication to the many events that our council hosts, for fundraising ventures and for being the representative for all of our parents while working toward making Arklan a wonderful place for all of our students. Chrysanthe was responsible for the successful operation of our Food for Thought program and we cannot forget the fun of the Scholastic Book Fairs that she organized! We will miss you and know that it will be difficult to fill the big shoes you have been wearing. If you think you might be interested in taking on this role, our School Council elections are always held in the fall- so stay tuned- we would love to have many of our parents involved!

While news that the school closure was not the news we wanted to hear, we understand that decisions must be made with all factors considered. We would have loved to have said goodbye in person and finished off together! Any personal belongings that were left at the school can be picked up Thursday, June 24th and Friday, June 25th. We request that you fill out the "Arklan Student Belonging SURVEY" to let us know when you are planning to come to the school.

For many reasons, this year has been a challenge for all of us. I still cannot believe that there are many students and families that I have not even met in person yet! There has been so much flexibility required of everyone and shifting back and forth between in-person and online learning has been a learning curve for all. We are proud of our students for their resiliency. We are proud of our teachers for their desire to do what it takes to make students feel safe and to ensure learning continues. We are proud of our office staff and custodians for going above and beyond with copying packages and extra cleaning requirements. We are proud of our families for being patient, helpful and kind. We recognize that many aspects have been less than ideal, and we hold out hope that we will be in a much better place in the fall. While we do not have many details about what the fall will look like, we do know that we will be more prepared than ever!

Take care of yourselves and your families and have a wonderful and safe summer, Brenda Swrjeski

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You can find **Sora** by going to the UCDSB Virtual Learning Commons under Games & Databases <u>http://vlc.ucdsb.ca/vlchome</u>

Install the **Sora** app from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store, or visit <u>https://soraapp.com/welcome</u>

Once there, find 'Upper Canada District School Board' & sign in using your student ID & password. Browse the Explore tab, borrow a book & start reading.

Summer is just around the corner..... the perfect time for CURIOUSITY & IMAGINATION! The UCDSB Virtual Learning Commons has you covered all summer long with access to great BOOKS, fun GAMES, databases and apps to help you learn new stuff Let yourself get lost in a great book this summer! http://vlc.ucdsb.ca/vlchome



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Class of 2021 Rowan Adcock Blake Apse Sabastian Bellefeuille Brianna Boyce Kaia Brake Cole Campeau Owen Causton Jeshua Chapa Escalante Anna Chapman Bryant Charron Meghan Chinta Hunter Clark Avery Cronier Tori Darragh Dallas Davies Zoey Duff Ryder Gartner Tye Gillis David Gogitidze Kleiner Hudson Jardine Samantha Larabie Calista Locquiao Jacob MacIsaac Cooper Martyn Dante McNabb James McNaught Tristan Michaelis Angus Mills Henry Naugler Brennan Nield Erik O'Halloran Annika Petersen Colin Scollard Logan Simms Samuel Strong Parker Tait Eden Waldman Holdyn Whiten







Arklan Community Public School Graduates



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Instructional Days: First Day of School:

September 1, 2021 First Day of School September 1, 2021 First Day of School for Students: September 7, 2021 Last Day of School for Students: June 27, 2022 Last Day of School for Students: June 27, 2022

Secondary: Sem. 1: September 1, 2021 – January 31, 2022 Sem. 2: February 1, 2022 – June 28, 2022

Board Approval: May 12, 2021

Examination Days: Sem. 1: January 25, 2022 – January 31, 2022 Sem. 2: June 21, 2022- June 27, 2022 Designated on calendar as **'E'**

Winter Holiday Break: December 20, 2021 – December 31, 2021

<u>March Break:</u> March 14, 2022 – March 18, 2022

Statutory Holidays:

September 6, 2021 - Labour Day October 11, 2021 - Thanksgiving February 21, 2022 - Family Day April 15, 2022 - Good Friday April 18, 2022 - Easter Monday May 23, 2022 - Victoria Day Designated on calendar as 'H'

Professional Activity (PA) Day Designated on calendar as **'PA'** September 1, 2021 September 2, 2021 September 3, 2021 November 26, 2021 February 1, 2022 May 27, 2022 June 28, 2022

Ministry Approval: June 10, 2021

Student Belongings & Report Card Pick-Up June 24th and 25th, 2021

Please complete the "Arklan Student Belonging SURVEY" to let us know when you are coming to pick up personal belongings and return borrowed items, including UCDSB technology devices.

(Link in eMail of Pick Up Letter on June 15th, 2021)