



BULLDOG NEWS

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From the Principal

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Janice Slade and I am the new principal at John Marshall. I am coming from Nelles School in Grimsby where I was the principal for 4 ½ years. Prior to that, I was the vice principal at College St. School in Smithville. I live in St. Catharines, am married to Tim and have two children; Annie who is in 2nd year at Brock University and Ian who is in Grade 11 at Laura Secord SS. I have been in education for 25 years, and taught mainly music and science in the junior grades before moving into administration.

I am excited to come to John Marshall – I have heard wonderful things about the students, staff and the community. I look forward to working with you in order to achieve the best education for your child. My door is always open and I invite you to drop by and introduce yourself, making sure of course that you follow the proper visitor procedures and sign in. You can also catch me on the playground before or after school. Communication is key to your child's success and there are many ways to communicate with me. Email or a phone call is best or you can make an appointment. I will be busy the next few weeks getting to know the students and I may not be in my office when you drop in so it might be best to call ahead if you have an urgent matter.

I look forward to working with all of you and getting to know the students, staff, the parents and finding my way around the community.

J. Slade

GRADE 8 STUDENT TRANSITION

Believe it or not it is time for the Gr.8 students to begin thinking about High School course selections. To inform students about this process the Principal of A.N. Myer will be speaking to our Gr.8 students in the near future about the on-line course selection process that will need to be completed by all Gr.8 students. A.N. Myer, Stamford Collegiate, and Westlane will have their annual open houses on **Tuesday, January 17th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm**. We strongly encourage all Gr.8 students to attend open house with their parent(s).

Your Future is Here!

MAD SCIENCE IS RETURNING!

Following previous successful years, Mad Science is returning again this year for students in Grade 1 to 6. An information assembly will take place on Tuesday, January 11th at 9:15 am. The club is a 6-week science enrichment program offered to the students for the price of \$72.00. The registration deadline will be January 18th. Students who join the science club will go on a voyage of discovery designed to support the Ontario Science and Technology curriculum. **The Club will take place on Thursday, Jan 27, Feb 3, 10, 17, 24, and March 3 from 3:35 pm - 4:35 pm**. If you have any questions regarding the program please contact the school office.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Please join the John Marshall School Advisory Council at our **next meeting Wednesday, January 25th @ 6:30 pm**. Research clearly shows that children do better when their parents are involved in their school.