

# Lady Evelyn Alternative School Council Newsletter

[www.ladyevelyn.ca](http://www.ladyevelyn.ca)

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## Welcome to a new school year!

Feels good to be back. There are many things afoot both in and out of the school this year so keeping in the loop has become just that much more important. I encourage everyone to visit the School Council web site — [www.ladyevelyn.ca](http://www.ladyevelyn.ca) — and have a look at some of the latest posts. While you are there why not sign up and receive the updates right to your in box.

See you in the Yard!

## Volunteering at Lady Evelyn

Parental involvement through volunteering is a fundamental cornerstone of alternative schooling. All Lady Evelyn parents are asked to volunteer. Please keep in mind that there are many ways to help, even outside regular school hours. Your volunteer contributions will benefit the school as a whole as well as your own child. Please take a moment to complete the volunteer survey at the top of page 2 or if you prefer, please send an e-mail outlining how you can volunteer to: [volunteer@ladyevelyn.ca](mailto:volunteer@ladyevelyn.ca) Thank you!

### From the Education Committee:

#### Alternative Education Program Review

The alternative program is at risk. Now is the time to speak up! The school board's "review" of the alternative program has begun and it is very important that we let the board know how we value educational choice. Among the alternative program's greatest strengths are our sense of community and the value we place on participation. We need to be able to depend on these now more than ever. Over the coming weeks, we will let you know specific ways in which you can act.

Updates on the alternative education program review will be posted at <http://programreview.asac-ottawa.org/> as well as on the Facebook group "Alternative Schools in Ottawa: More Choices" and to the Lady Evelyn e-mail list. We will continually provide you with the up to date information.

#### Parent Resource Centre

The education committee is continuing to develop a Parent Resource Centre (PRC) on the 2nd floor. A list of available books and other materials, including cooperative games, is available at [www.ladyevelyn.ca/node/226](http://www.ladyevelyn.ca/node/226).

All parents and teachers are welcome to drop by and borrow items. Please use the sign-out sheet. Several items that were borrowed last year have yet to be returned. If you have items from the PRL (they will be stamped with the school's name), please return them. Thank you!

#### Next meeting

The education committee meets on the first Monday of each month. The next meeting will be Monday, October 5th. Please e-mail [education-chair@ladyevelyn.ca](mailto:education-chair@ladyevelyn.ca) if you are interested in attending.

Keep up to date with the education committee! Go to our page on the council's web site: [www.ladyevelyn.ca/educationCommittee](http://www.ladyevelyn.ca/educationCommittee)

### Lady Evelyn School Council 2008-2009

Cochairs: Joey Gunn & Dominic Fontaine; Treasurer: Jen Gaudette; Committee Chairs: Education: Monique Cuillerier; Arts: Annette Hegel; Athletics: Dominic Fontaine; Health & Environment: Shahla Khan Salter; Fundraising: Robin McLellan; Social: Robin McLellan & Sherry Lynn Page; Volunteer Coordinator: Tanis Dennis; ASAC Representatives: Richard Deadman, Monique Cuillerier & Annette Hegel; Zone 9: John Omura; Website: Richard Deadman

## Notices

### Pasta Lunch

An idea is brewing to offer students a hot pasta lunch one day per week. The sauces and ingredients would vary week to week and would be provided by Il Piccolino Restaurant on Preston Street. Parents would sign up for the program and be billed accordingly, (fee yet to be determined). In order for this idea to materialize, we must first ascertain the interest so please give your feedback asap! Contact: adriennedavid@rogers.com

### Lost and Found

At the August 27th potluck picnic 3 of my stainless steel salad forks went missing and I ended up taking home someone elses dinner fork. If you inadvertently took them or know where they might have ended up, PLEASE let me know. They are part of a set and I really want them back. And I will be happy to return the dinner fork to it's rightful owner! Thanks  
Adrienne (Ryan and Nico's mom)  
adriennedavid@rogers.com



## Volunteer Survey

Parental involvement through volunteering is a fundamental cornerstone of alternative schooling. Please help us find a volunteer opportunity for you by completing this form. Completed forms can be returned to school with your child or dropped off at the school office in an envelop marked "School Council". Or, if you prefer please send an e-mail outlining how you can volunteer to: volunteer@ladyevelyn.ca

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # (s) \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in volunteering for:

- Class parent (keeping other parents up-to-date)
- JUMP math tutoring (1 hr per week)
- Fit skates for skating lessons (grades 1 & 2)
- Help SELC students participate in skating lessons
- Student newspaper
- Music program
- Help prep or serve at Salad Bar
- Friday Pizza Lunch
- Laps for Lady Evelyn
- Family Breakfasts (3 times each year)
- Teachers Appreciation Lunch

School Council Committees:

- Education
- Arts
- Health
- Social
- Athletics

Please list any special talent or knowledge you would like to share: \_\_\_\_\_

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How often would you like to volunteer?     Once a week     Twice a month     Once a month     As needed

*A civilization flourishes when people plant trees under which they will never sit. —Greek Proverb*