



**MAY 2026**

# M.A. Newsletter

## Upcoming Events

**May 1<sup>st</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>** : Food Drive

**May 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>** : Scholastic Book Fair

**May 7<sup>th</sup>** : Spring Open House (5:00-6:30 PM )

**May 10<sup>th</sup>** : Mother's Day

**May 11<sup>th</sup>** : Smoothie Day

**May 11<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>** : EQAO Testing - Grade 6

**May 12<sup>th</sup>** : Kindergarten Orientation (5:00-6:00 PM)

**May 18<sup>th</sup>** : Victoria Day - NO SCHOOL

**May 19<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup>** : EQAO Testing - Grade 3

**May 20<sup>th</sup>** : Culture Day (wear YOUR OWN culture to school)

**May 21<sup>st</sup>** : Parent Council Meeting @ 6:00 PM

## Looking Ahead

**June 4<sup>th</sup>** : Kindergarten Celebration

**June 5<sup>th</sup>** : PA Day (no school)

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** : Fun Fair

**June 18<sup>th</sup>** : Grade 8 Commencement

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## Snack Program

Mount Albion runs a daily snack program available to all students every morning. While this healthy nutrition program is partially funded by the Tastebuds Program via the Social Planning & Research Council, keeping this vital program running has become a challenge due to the rising costs of groceries. Through **School Cash Online** we have opened up a **donation opportunity** for MA families to help support and continue providing snacks for our students. Your donations ensure it can continue to be available all school year. Funds go directly to support food purchases.

Thank you for helping support our hungry students!

## Arrivederci Ms. Penney!

May 15th marks Ms. Penney's official last day here at Mount Albion. What a pleasure and privilege it has been to have Ms. Penney here at our school. We thank her for her leadership, dedication, and for the positive impact she made on our students and staff. We wish her all the best! Ciao Bella!



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## Spring Open House

On Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, Mount Albion is holding a Spring Open house!

This will be a great opportunity to visit your child(ren)s classroom(s) to see all of the great work they have been up to this semester!

We will be hosting our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual "Cougar Court"! Delicious items such as pizza (cheese, pepperoni, vegetarian & meat lovers), samosas, chips, drinks, ice cream, popsicles and various other things will be sold. There will also be washable tattoos.

Prices will vary from \$1.00-\$2.00. All profits go to the Grade 8 Commencement. First come, first served.

Please be sure to visit the Library to check the Scholastic Bookfair.

Representatives from Saltfleet District High School will also be visiting to speak with our graduating Gr. 8 students!

## Kindergarten Orientation

We are looking forward to welcoming future Kindergarten students and their families to our Kindergarten Orientation Night on Tuesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:00 PM in the gymnasium! This special evening is for children beginning their first year of Kindergarten in September 2026. Families are invited to attend a short presentation, receive important information about the Kindergarten year, explore the classrooms, and meet our educators. We're excited to help you and your child feel ready for this exciting new chapter!

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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fun Fair

Parent Council is excited to host the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Fun Fair!

Join us **Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** from **6:00-8:00 PM** to end the school year with fun, games, and entertainment!

## Parent Council

This month marks the very last parent council meeting for the 2025-2026 school year! It will be held on **May 21<sup>st</sup>** in the Library and will begin at **6:00 PM**. Thank you to all parents/guardians who have attended this year, your contributions and recommendations have been greatly appreciated!

## Factory Shoe

Please consider shopping at Factory Shoes for your seasonal footwear needs! For any shoe purchase over \$35, \$5 will be donated back to our school. Simply use the barcode (0350192) below when making your purchase.



The image shows a fundraiser card for Factory Shoe. At the top, it features a large '\$5' and the text 'FUNDRAISER CARD'. Below this, it states 'FACTORY SHOE WILL DONATE \$5 FOR EVERY FOOTWEAR PURCHASE OVER \$35'. The card also displays the 'MT. ALBION COUGARS' logo. A row of brand logos is shown, including Vans, Boos, Keen, Asics, and others. The website 'www.FACTORYSHOE.ca' is listed. A list of terms and conditions follows: 'Card can be used at any Factory Shoe location', 'Shoe purchase must be minimum \$35 (before tax)', 'Card must be presented at time of purchase', 'Redeem Online: Enter 7-digit SKU & Card# in fields provided.', and 'This card has no cash value'. At the bottom, it says 'CARD EXPIRY WILL VARY. PLEASE SEE FUNDRAISING ADMINISTRATOR' and includes a barcode with the number 0350192 and a card number 99999.

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## Food Drive: Help Us Fill the Pantry!

Mount Albion Student Council is excited to launch a **Food Drive in support of the Stoney Creek Community Food Bank** from **April 27 to May 8, 2027!**

This is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to make a difference. The food bank supports families with more than just food – hygiene and household items are just as important.

Most-needed donations include:

- Dried beans
- Cereal, pancake mix, syrup
- Canned meat (corned beef, canned ham/chicken, sardines)
- Condiments (mayonnaise, mustard, relish, oils, salad dressing, sugar)
- Paper towels, toilet paper, dish soap, body wash, shampoo, toothbrush/toothpaste
- Boxed potatoes, Sidekicks pasta or rice, hamburger/tuna helper
- Children's snacks (applesauce/pudding/Jello, granola bars, juice boxes)
- Baby food, formula, wipes and diapers

Every item donated helps support local families in need. Thank you for showing your Mount Albion spirit and helping care for our community!

## Summer Break

Only **37** more days of school!