# Wheatley Area Public School

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## WHEATLEY SHARKS GAME NIGHT - Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>

What an excellent show of support for our local Wheatley Omstead Sharks Junior C Hockey Team! 82 students showed up on Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>, to cheer on the athletes as the Sharks played hard for a 6-1 win over Mooretown. Thank you to our Parent Council for organizing this special annual event for the students and families of our school community.



#### WINTER HOLIDAY CONCERT

The *Holiday Concert Performance* will be held in the gym on Monday, December 18th at noon. Families are encouraged to attend to help us to celebrate the upcoming winter holiday. If you cannot attend on this day but want to watch the performance, we are having a dress rehearsal on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 9am.



## WARRIOR WEDNESDAY CLOTHING – EXCELLENT CHRISTMAS IDEA

Are you interested in purchasing Warrior Swag? Go to <u>Link to order Warrior Swag</u> to shop. There are lots of great options and colours to choose from including T-shirts, hoodies, sweaters, jackets, pants, bags, hats and so much more. Check out our new logo on all the great products!

## **HOLIDAY DINNER**



The Wheatley Parent Council Holiday Dinner will return on December 19<sup>th</sup>. Students will be treated to a turkey dinner, with mashed potatoes, and vegetables, all prepared by our Parent Council Team. A huge appreciation to these parents for providing this special event for the students.

## PARENT COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Parent Council is always looking for new parents to join us at our meetings. Thank you to the parents that attended these meetings in 2023. Our next meeting will be in the new year. Keep an eye on the January 2024 newsletter for the next meeting date. As always, please contact the office should you wish to receive a link to join our virtual meeting.

## WINTER CLOTHING: THE COLD WEATHER IS HERE

With the ever-changing weather, please ensure that your children have dressed appropriately in hats, boots, mittens, and warm coats every day. This is also a great time of year to wear layers so that children can adjust their clothing as the temperature warms throughout the day. Our students enjoy playing outside twice a day for twenty minutes each break and we want all of them to feel comfortable. Please ensure items are labeled so they are easier to retrieve if misplaced. Extra socks in the backpack is helpful as sometimes feet get cold and wet.



You may have noticed that we have 3 older student volunteers (wearing vests to be easily identifiable) at the Kiss and Drop Area at 8:15am. They are volunteering to meet the younger students at the gate and will escort the students safely to the school yard at drop-off in the morning to minimize the traffic congestion in the parking lot. Their goal is to increase the number of

students they escort to the yard safely each morning. We would love to see at least 5 young Warrior families during the month of December supporting our student volunteers.

# **SUPPLIES NEEDED – Bracelet Making Club is BOOMING!**



Last month, we started up a "Bracelet Making" club and we have had so much interest that we needed to split up the grades each recess to make room for everyone. In order to keep this club going, we are looking for donations of materials (beads, embroidery thread, looming kits/elastics, etc). If you have materials to donate or are willing to give monetary donation,

please send it in to the school and have your child bring it to Mrs. Lyman or Mrs. Parent. A BIG thank you to the families that already donated to this club. It is much appreciated, and the students thank you!



# BREAKFAST CLUB - HUGE THANK YOU TO MRS. DRESSER



Once a week, Mrs. Dresser cooks a tasty breakfast for our students. All students are welcome, and the students are very appreciative of these mornings. Mrs. Dresser tries to change it up a little each week and has something different for the students to enjoy. Pancakes, scrambled eggs, cereal, yogurt, bagels with cream cheese, homemade apple sauce, and grilled cheese sandwiches. We all want to thank Mrs. Dresser for her work with this club. Special thank you to Linda Marshall for your ongoing support and assistance with breakfast!

## **HEAD LICE**

As we get into the colder months of the year, and there is the possibility of students sharing toques (despite home and school's encouragement to avoid this), etc., all students should be reminded of steps they can take to reduce the likelihood of getting head lice. Even though lice do not jump or fly, they can spread from one student to another by sharing combs, brushes, clothing, hats and more. Anyone can get head lice; all members of the household need to be checked when there is one case of head lice in your immediate family, or the cycle of treatment and infestation can be continuous.

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

In cases of severe weather consider one of these options to obtain bus cancellation information for our school, which is Zone 7:

- Listen to CKSY 94.3 starting at or before 6:30 a.m.
- Information will be posted on the Wheatley FB group as soon as we confirm
- Follow the Bus Info link on the LKDSB website (top left of the website)
- Perhaps the best method to determine if buses are running, or if they are on time or running late, is this:

Student Transportation Services offers the <u>MySBI</u> mobile app to receive instant notifications of school bus delays, and cancellations. Just download the free app from Android/Apple app stores, and subscribe to Weather Notifications, as well as to your school bus(es). Please visit this link for additional details.

https://cklass.ca/services/student-transportation/delays-cancellations/

## **WINTER BREAK**

We are encouraging students to take any personal belongings home during the winter break (hats, mitts, indoor shoes, etc.). This allows the classrooms to be organized and tidied for everyone's return after the December Break. Desks will be tidied up and cleaned the week leading up to the break. Additionally, we look forward to seeing everyone when we return on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024. We hope that you and your family have a well-deserved holiday. Thanks again for all your support in 2023!

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM OUR STAFF TO YOU!



# **WHEATLEY SHARKS GAME NIGHT CANDIDS**

















