

December 2023 Newsletter

A A Wright Public School

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HOLIDAY BREAK

Holidays

The last day of classes is Friday December 22nd, 2023. Classes resume on Monday January 8th, 2024. Enjoy your Holidays and Happy New Year!

HOLIDAY WINTER FESTIVAL CONCERT TUESDAY DECEMBER 19th 12:30 PM

AA Wright Public School is proud to announce our Winter Festival Concert on Tuesday December 19th. The concert will start at 12:30 pm and take place in our gymnasium. We hope you are able to join us to watch our Wildcats sign, dance and perform.

SPECIAL DAYS IN DECEMBER

We have many special days headed our way in December so please make sure to take a look at the calendar at the bottom of this Newsletter. Friday December 1st is Funny Hat day and the Gr 2/3 Dittmer and 3/4 Gallerno classes have a field trip to Sloan's. Our Terrific Kids Assembly will take place Monday December 4th at 2:30 pm in the gymnasium. Monday December 18th is Dress like a Holiday Character and Gr. 6 Oliveira's class Field Trip to Sloan's. Tuesday December 19th is our Holiday Winter Concert in the gymnasium at 12:30 pm. Our Turkey Dinner Lunch (free for all students) will take place on Wednesday December 20th. Thursday December 21st is Red and Green Day. Friday December 22nd is Pajama Day. Candy Grams are available to purchase through Schoolcash online in December and will be delivered the last week before Holiday Break.

WILDCAT WINTER TREE

We are looking for some help decorating our Wildcat Winter Tree. Any donations of hats, mitts or socks would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support of our Wildcats!

WINTER DRESS

With the ever changing weather, please ensure that your children are dressed appropriately with hats, boots, mittens and warm coats. 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. Our lost and found bin grows over the winter months, so please help us cut back on some of these items by labelling your children's clothes.

WILDCAT SPIRIT WEAR

Are you interested in purchasing Wildcat Swag? Go to <u>Link to Wildcat Spirit Wear</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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

While we hope that the weather stays nice and dry, we know that the snow and ice is unfortunately just around the corner. The policy of the LKDSB for inclement weather is:

In the event of bus cancellation due to snow or freezing rain, buses will not run in the morning or afternoon but schools remain open. If buses are cancelled due to fog, all schools will remain open. Morning bus pickups will be cancelled and buses will run for the afternoon return home drop offs. We encourage parents of bus students to arrange their own transportation to school when it is safe to do so. Please listen to your local radio station (99.1 CKXS) or check the transportation web site at www.schoolbusinfo.com
AA Wright Public School is in **School Bus Zone 5**.

BELL TIMES AND SAFE ARRIVAL/DISMISSAL

8:55 a.m.: School Arrival/Outdoor Supervision Begins. Please do not arrive on school property prior to this time.

9:10 a.m.: School Start Time

11:30 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.: AM Nutrition Break and Recess (Staggered by grade) 1:50 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.: PM Nutrition Break and Recess (Staggered by grade)

3:30 p.m.: Dismissal

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

Students who walk to school or get dropped off **must not arrive before 8:55 a.m.** as they will not be allowed on the yard unsupervised in the morning or after the bell. Parents are not permitted on the school yard after 8:55 a.m. Please remind your children to cross only at crosswalks or intersections. For the safety of our bus students, please do not park in the bus loading area on the north side of the building. Parking is available on the front (east side) and the back (west side) of the building. When leaving your car to pick up/drop off students, please park in the parking area, turn off your vehicle, and take your keys. Please remember that students **must be picked up at 3:30 pm** as there is no supervision on the yard after this time. Please note that changes to your child's departure at the end of the day should be messaged to the classroom teacher before 3:00 pm. The office is extremely busy between 3:00 pm and 3:30 PM and getting messages through the office may be difficult at this time.

NUT AWARE

Please remember that AAW is a NUT FREE school. Students may not bring any nuts, peanut butter, or nut products (including Nutella and Wow Butter) to school. Please make sure to read all labels before packing your child's lunch. We have several children with severe allergies to a variety of nuts and it is important that we ensure their safety while they are at school. We appreciate your co-operation and support with this.

MEDICATION & MEDICAL EMERGENCY PLANS

Specific criteria must be met for staff to administer prescriptive medication when it cannot be administered from home. An "Authorization for the Administration of Medication" form (available from office), must be completed by the parent/guardian and physician, and then forwarded to the Principal for each school year. This includes the administration of occasional use medications as well. Whenever the physician directs a modification of the prescribed medication the process is repeated. Should your child have a medical need (such as a severe allergy that requires an Epi Pen, or Asthma that requires them to carry an inhaler, or Epilepsy) that requires special emergency attention please inform the school and an "Prevalent Medical Conditions Plan" will be put in place. The forms for this purpose are available in the office.

PARENT COUNCIL

We are always looking for new parents to join us at our Parent Council meetings. If you have any interest in being a part of this team, please contact the school. Our next meeting will take place in Wednesday January 24th at 3:30 pm, in the AA Wright Public School Learning Commons. We can also accommodate for parents who are only able to meet virtually. Please contact the office if you are interested in joining.

LINK TO COMMUNITY SUPPORT RESOURCES

To assist families with some community support resources, AAW has created a document with links to various organizations in the Wallaceburg and surrounding area. Please click on the following link to access the document: Link to Community Supports Resources

EVENTS AT THE SCHOOL:



Special Food Days

Food Days will continue in December. Here are the scheduled food days for the month: Pizza days on Friday December 1st, 8th, and 15th. Please watch for emails in January for food days on Schoolcash Online.



Terrific Kids Assembly

Our next Terrific Kids Assembly will be Monday, December 4th at 2:30 pm in the gymnasium. The character trait that we are focussing on for the month of December is "Respectful," and students from each class will be chosen who best displayed this trait throughout the month.

Volleyball

Our boys' and girls' volleyball seasons are just getting started and tournament play will start soon. Thanks so much to our coaches Mrs. Gallerno, Mrs. Campbell, Mr. Braithwaite, and Mrs. Hedges. Best of luck to our Wildcats!

Important Dates in January:

- 8 Welcome Back!
- 10 Need to Read Gr 1-3/4 with CKSX
- 24 Parent Council 3:30 pm

Work Hard. Be Kind. Be the Example!

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Candy Grams are available for purchase on Schoolcash Online	1 -Pizza Day -Funny Hat Day -GIZ/3D&3/4G Sloans	2
3	4 -Terrific Kids Assembly 2:30 pm -Candy Gram sales continue this week	5	6 Wildcat Wednesday	7 Orange Shirt Thursday	8 Pizza Day	9
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17	18 -Holiday Character Day -Candy Grams delivered this week -Gr 6 Oliveira Sloan's	19 Holiday Winter Concert in the gymnasium @ 12:30 pm	20 Wildcat Wednesday Turkey Dinner Lunch (all students)	21 Orange Shirt Thursday -Red and Green Day	22 Pajama Day	23 Winter Break Begins Happy Holidays!!
24	25	26	27	28	29	30