



Errol Road Public School

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December 2022

November has gone by very quickly here at Errol Road. Students celebrated their learning with their progress report and parents had the opportunity to visit the school for parent teacher interviews. The students have enjoyed their first book fair of the school year and many students are representing our school on the school volleyball teams. Classes engaged in learning focused on Treaty Week and have been diving into many art projects as they prepare for our Holiday concert. Thank you to the staff responsible for these wonderful opportunities. Without their hard work none of this would be possible.

Thank you to all of our volunteers who continue to help with our hot food lunches and our daily snack program. We appreciate all you do!

We are looking forward to a busy and fun month of December. There are many school initiatives underway. Please contact the school if your child requires some support to participate. We would not want any student unable to participate. We want to wish all of our Errol Road families a safe and fun holiday season.

Yours in Education,

T. Pereira
Principal

SCREENING Parents/guardians are required to assess their children daily and report whether they are experiencing any signs of illness and are expected to keep them home if they are. Parents/guardians should refer to the **Daily Screening Questionnaire for Parents/Guardians/Students Before Attending School** to perform daily screening of their children before arriving at school. You can find the screener here: [COVID-19 school screening \(ontario.ca\)](https://www.ontario.ca/covid-19/school-screening)

SCHOOL COUNCIL The School Council will be running this school year. The January meeting will be held on **Wednesday January 18, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the learning commons**. The purpose of the School Council is to support pupil achievement and to employ a variety of strategies to engage parents and the community in strengthening student achievement. We appreciate all ideas and value all voices in the meeting. All parents/guardians are welcome to attend the School Council meetings.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT/COLOUR HOUSES As we continue to work with students on self-regulation and character development, our focus will be on the Zones of Regulation and goal setting. We will continue to celebrate student goal setting and achievement at our monthly Roadrunner Award assembly. We will be changing our assembly format and having two assemblies. Please see the school calendar for when your child's class will have their assembly.

SAFE ARRIVAL POLICY We have a process in place to ensure the safe arrival of all students. Parents must do their best to see that their children are regularly at school and arrive on time. Please call the school if your child is absent or late in the morning or the afternoon (unless a note has already been sent). We also have a 24-hour answering machine so you may call any time, day, or night. Calls home are made for all unexplained absences. If there is no answer, calls will be made to a parent's/ guardian's workplace or emergency numbers. Please help us by contacting the school before our morning or afternoon bell rings. Notes from home are needed to excuse a child early from class.

ALLERGIES – NUTS Many children and staff members have severe allergies to peanuts, peanut butter, and other nuts. In some cases, these allergies can be fatal. Please do not send your child with any nuts or peanut butter for either lunches or snacks. We want our school environment to be safe and healthy for all our students.

HOLIDAY CONCERT We will be holding a Holiday Concert at Errol Road on **Thurs. Dec. 15**. There will be two performances, one at 11:55pm during school time, and the other at 6:30pm. Parents and other family members will be asked to sign up for one or the other. Details about exact times and the sign-up procedure will be sent out as soon as possible.

ADOPT A FAMILY Information has been sent home regarding our Adopt a Family initiative. Thank you in advance to those who are able to support this initiative and support families during the holiday season.

HOLIDAY GIFT BASKET RAFFLE This holiday season the grade 8s will be making gift baskets to raffle off to fundraise for their year-end trip to Muskoka Woods. Themes of the gift baskets include Movie Night, Cartoons, Sweet Treats and more! Students can view the baskets on Thursday, December 8th and Friday, December 9th. The raffle will be open from **December 12-16th**, and the winners will be announced daily the week of **December 19-23rd**. Tickets will be \$1 and can be purchased on school cash online until December 15th. Thanks for your support and Happy Holidays from the Grade 8s!

CANDY CANE GRAMS Candy Cane grams will be for sale **December 5-10** for students to purchase as a gift for others. These will be available for purchase on School Cash Online. More information to follow.

CANNED FOOD DRIVE Our school is participating in a Non-Perishable Food Drive, which means we'll be collecting donations of food, grocery store gift cards, hygiene products, and winter-weather clothing apparel for people in our area who are in need. We would appreciate if you could send items to the school with your child during the weeks of **December 5 – December 16th** to support this campaign. The Multi-Disciplinary team will assist in keeping track of classroom donations and the class that brings in the most donations will win a to-be-determined whole-class prize!

This drive provides food to local families; everything is kept confidential and supports the families! The donations will be donated accordingly to Noelle's Gift, Inn of the Good Shepherd, The Woman's Interval home and Aamjiwnaang.

WINTER BREAK The school will be closed for winter break from Monday, December 26, 2022 to Friday, January 6th inclusively. We will welcome students back to class on Monday, January 9, 2022

December Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
			1	2 Popcorn Day
5 Subway orders due on cash online	6	7 LAMBTON HERITAGE MUSEUM Kenny, Soetemans, Siertsema, Smith-Ray	8 ART GALLERY D'Andrea	9 ART GALLERY D'Andrea Popcorn Day
12	13	14 Subway Day	15 Holiday Concert 11:55 AM and 6:30 PM	16 Popcorn Day
19 Gift Basket Raffle Roadrunner Assembly Grades FDK to 3/4	20 Gift Basket Raffle Candy Cane Grams Roadrunner Assembly Grades 4/5 to 8	21 SLOAN'S TRIP Stewart, Cordingley, D'Andrea, D'Andrea, McDonald, Deminion, Teft, Romano Gift Basket Raffle	22 Holiday Bingo Gift Basket Raffle	23 Red and Green Day/Holiday Attire Day Grade 6-8 Winter Wonderland Dance Popcorn Day Gift Basket Raffle Last Day of School
26 No School	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School	30 No School

The LKDSB School Year Calendar can be accessed at the following link:
[Elementary Calendar - Lambton Kent District School Board \(lkdsb.net\)](http://lkdsb.net)