

# Arthur Public School

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## Good Byes

This year we will be saying good bye to Mrs. Neary. She will be going on a leave, then after that she will be assuming the position of teacher of the developmentally delayed in Guelph. The best of luck to her as she moves on from Arthur P.S. and ahead to future endeavors!

## Character Counts!

Our June character trait that we are focussing on is resilience. This is a busy time of year and many of our students are pulled in many different directions with multiple responsibilities. It is important to continue to work hard at your school work until the end of June. Summer will be here soon, but we still have a lot of work to do between now and then.

## Class Lists for September 2018

In keeping with privacy legislation and to keep our children safe, the Upper Grand D.S.B no longer publicly posts class lists or make class list available to parents.

On the first day of school, we will post signs for each grade level. Depending on the weather, this will either be in the gym, or outside. The teachers for that grade level will be there to receive their students and get them sorted into their appropriate class.

If you have any questions regarding this process, please contact Ms. Leathem at the school.

## Class Placements

Our staff will be meeting to discuss class placements for our students. Placements will be made in consultation with the classroom teachers, resource teachers, Mr. Boyce and Ms. Leathem. We will consider students' academic abilities, work habits and social skills. We also consider teaching style and student friendships. We appreciate your support as we try to create the most balanced and effective classrooms.

## School BBQ

On Thursday, June 7<sup>th</sup>, the Arthur Public School BBQ will begin at 5:00 p.m. and end at 7:00 PM. We will have hot dogs, hamburgers, pop, juice, water and ice cream sandwiches. Hamburgers and hot dogs are \$2 and drinks and ice cream are \$1.

Please join us and have some good food and a nice visit with friends.



## Intermediate Manufacturing Fair

Also on Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM in our gym our Intermediate Manufacturing Fair will take place. Please come and peruse and purchase these student designed crafts and décor items. Add some lovely décor to your home and support our students in earning some spending money for their end of year Quebec Trip.

## Cash Online

Are you using Cash Online to pay for school trips, pizza orders etc? If not we would like to give you the opportunity to register the night of our BBQ. Mrs Brunkard will be set up in the school foyer in order to help you set up your account. For all those who register that night your name will be entered into a draw for a \$25.00 Foodland Card!

Make sure to register!!



## Grade 8 Graduation

Just a reminder that our graduation date is set for Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017, the ceremony will commence at **6:30 p.m.** Grads should arrive at 6:00 to assemble for a 6:15 picture.

**Grade 7 parents:** Please return the cupcake letter tear-off as soon as possible. The graduates depend on your contributions, as your child will depend on the grade 7's next year!



**Our Talent Show was AMAZING!** Thanks to all of the students who performed on stage or helped as stage crew. A big "THANK YOU" goes out to Mrs. Backer for all the time and energy she gave to ensure it was a big success.



## News from the Library Learning Commons

We'd like to extend huge thank you to all who supported our Spring Book Fair. Because of your purchases, we were able to get over \$300 worth of new books and Makerspace supplies. With the school year coming to an end, it's almost time for all books from the Library Learning Commons to be returned. All books become overdue on June 15th. Lists of outstanding books will be sent home shortly after that date. All help to return the books on or before that date will be greatly appreciated.

## Student Government News!

This month was another amazing month we had a full schedule of awesome events like talent show and many others. We look forward to having another great month. We would like to thank everyone who came out to the talent show and everyone who performed in it, it made for a great show. Thank you to all the class reps this year. They made a huge difference and helped out this year a lot. We will be having another intermediate dance on June 7th. We hope everyone comes with their dancing shoes.

We are bringing back freezies!! On the second last day of school we are going to be having freezie day, so on June 28th bring a dollar to get yourself a freezie.



## Arthur Library Events

### **Brainy Scavenger Hunt** (Grades JK – 6)

Did you know scavenger hunts are good for your brain? Drop in for Safe Kids Week and have fun keeping your head in the game.

Tuesday, June 5 – Saturday, June 9, during branch hours

### **Toddler Time** (1-3 years)

Come explore the alphabet with us! Share stories, songs, rhymes and activities aimed at developing your child's early literacy skills. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate. Please register.

Wednesdays, June 6 and 13, 10:00 - 10:30 am

### **Story Time** (3-5 years)

Our Story Times are created to help your child get ready for reading. Share stories, songs, rhymes, and activities aimed at developing your child's early literacy skills. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to participate. Please register.

Wednesdays, June 6 and 13, 11:00 - 11:30 am

### **Tween Scene** (Preteens)

Bring a friend and hang out after school with games, crafts or activities.

Thursdays, June 7 and 21, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

### **Saturday Stories** (Grades JK -3)

Work together to solve fun puzzles and unlock the Breakout Box to find a surprise Father's Day craft. Please register.

Saturday, June 9, 10:30-11:30 am

### **Tween Scene: Breakout Box** (Preteens)

Break out of boredom at the library! We will work together to solve intriguing puzzles and unlock the Breakout Box. Can you do it before time runs out? Please register.

Thursday, June 14, 4:00 - 5:00 pm

### **Get Your Summer Read On** (All Ages)

Join the fun, wherever your summer takes you! Drop in and register for the TD Summer Reading Club, Teen Summer Reading Challenge, or our second annual Adult Summer Reading Challenge.

Saturday, June 23, during branch hours

July and August:

### **Full STEAM Ahead: Science and Technology**

Get your powers of invention in gear as we make our way through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. Please register.

Tuesday, July 10, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (Grades 1 – 3)

Wednesday, July 18, 10:30 - 11:30 am (3 - 5 years)

### **The Puppet Tamer Show** (All Ages)

Through trickery, stunts, and genuine magic, master ventriloquist Tim Holland tames ferocious and uncooperative puppets. Warning: Do Not Feed the Puppets! Please register.

Thursday, July 12, 1:00 pm

**Full STEAM Ahead: Engineering** (Grades 1 – 3)

Get your powers of invention in gear as we make our way through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. Please register.

Tuesday, July 17, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Wednesday, July 25, 10:30 - 11:30 am

**Word Play** (Grades 4 – 6)

Letters, puzzles, books or crafts - how will you use your words? Please register.

Thursday, July 19, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

**Full STEAM Ahead: Art** (3 - 5 years)

Get your powers of invention in gear as we make our way through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. Please register.

Tuesday, July 24, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

Wednesdays, August 1, 10:30 - 11:30 am

**Get Your Game On** (Grades 4 – 6)

Get to know some new games and rediscover the classics – from cards and boards to life-sized replicas. Thursday, July 26, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

**Full STEAM Ahead: Music**

Get your powers of invention in gear as we make our way through Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math. Please register.

Tuesday, July 31, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (Grades 1 – 3)

Wednesdays, August 8, 10:30 - 11:30 am (3 - 5 years)

**Ready, Set, Craft** (Grades 4 – 6)

Get your creative juices flowing with hands-on crafting. Please register.

Thursday, August 2, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

**Coding Camp** (Grades 4 – 6)

From high tech to low tech, Morse Code to metadata, we'll be using puzzle challenges, crafts, activities and jellybeans to explore the patterns found in information. Please register.

Tuesday-Thursday, August 7-9, 2:00 - 3:00 pm

**Summer Movies** (All Ages)

Join us for movies this summer! Movies are rated G or PG. Please register.

Friday, July 27 and Friday, August 17, 2:00 pm

Arthur Branch, Wellington County Library

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## Moving?

If you're moving please let us know. Contact the school at 519-848-3793 to inform us of your moving date. This information helps us plan for next year. Thank you!



## **Snack Program**

Thank you to everyone who has supported our snack program this year! We could not run the program without volunteers. **If you are able to help out once a week for an hour or so, please contact Mr. Boyce.** I would also like to thank the students who have helped out for the year with cleaning up snack bins and loading our dishwasher. A special thanks goes out as well to Debbie Homer and the employees of CGC Group in Fergus for their generous donation. Thanks everyone for helping bring healthy food to hungry minds!

## **A Message from the Yearbook Committee**

Missed the deadline for purchasing your affordable "Road Trip"? Do not worry, the deadline for getting your Arthur PS yearbook has been extended to Thursday, June 7th. Order yours today. Stop by the office and pick up an order form.



## **Talking About Mental Health June 2018– Successfully Shifting from School to Summer**

The weather is getting warmer, days are getting longer and summer is just around the corner. It is an exciting time of the year but it can also be a struggle. The shift from school year to summer break is easy for some, but more challenging for others, particularly those children and youth who experience anxiety or have difficulty with transitions.

A good transition to summer is important and can lead to a more positive, fun summer experience.

### **Here are some practical tips to make a smooth transition from school to summer:**

Post the summer schedule. Have your child or youth contribute to a family calendar. Be sure to note blocks of unscheduled time as well.

Make a list of places and people to visit when time permits and the mood strikes. Summer is a good time to stop by the library, bike trail, or concert-in-the-park that you can't seem to get to during the school year.

Prepare your child for their scheduled activities. If possible, visit the locations where they will be during day camp or day care in advance.

Get outside and enjoy the summer. Try to limit the amount of time online, watching TV, or playing video games. Be active and get plenty of sleep and exercise. Being outside, elevates our mood and makes us feel less anxious.

### **Looking for Activities To Do:**

<https://www.centrewellington.ca/beactive/Pages/Recreation,%20Parks%20and%20Facilities/Community-Guide.aspx>

<http://wellington-north.com/government/departments/recreation>

## Summer resources for Mental Health and Addiction supports:

### **Canadian Mental Health Association WWD (CMHAWWD):**

Tuesday Walk In - 1:30-7:00, 485 Silvercreek Parkway, Guelph.

To access services for Children, Youth and Adults in Guelph/Wellington: : 1 844 HERE 247  
(1 844 437 3247)

<http://here247.ca/>

### **Family Counselling and Support Services:**

Walk-in, Wednesday, 1-7,. 109 Surrey St E, 519 824-2431.

<http://familyserviceguelph.on.ca/>

**KidsHelpPhone** 1 800 668 6868. <http://www.kidshelpphone.ca/>

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## **DANCE STUDIO OPENING IN ARTHUR!**

Come on out and learn how to dance at Expressive Dance Studio. Be part of the team as the studio starts their very first year of lessons in Arthur at 157 George Street. Tap, Jazz, Hip Hop, Musical Theatre, and Ballet is offered for ages 2.5 - 12. Online registration is now open, and we are offering **an early bird registration discount**. Our goal is to provide a positive experience while encouraging the students to appreciate the art of dance.

Check us out at: <http://expressivedance.wixsite.com/studio> ,

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