



## **Arthur Public School**

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### **Principal's Message**

At school we continue to use our character traits to focus on the importance of being a good friend, accepting others for who they are regardless of any differences and always using kind words. For the past couple of months the staff and students have been embedding our character education into classroom practices.

As we watch the leaves change colour and slowly fall to the ground, we are reminded of how wonderful it is to live in a safe and caring community. November is the month when we remember those who have fought and continue to fight for our freedom. On November 11, we remember what others have sacrificed so we may live in a country of peace. Taking time to reflect on the true meaning of freedom helps us to appreciate how fortunate we are at Arthur Public School. We sometimes forget the important things and the people in our lives as our days become busy. At times we may take things for granted like our freedom, our community, and our friends.

It truly is amazing to watch and observe our students follow school expectations and show support to others that may struggle. It is clear that our students understand the importance of what needs to be done to keep themselves safe and accept others who may still be learning. On behalf of the staff at Arthur PS we would like to thank all our parents and guardians for supporting the children with understanding and following the expectation at school.

At Arthur PS we strive to include others, be respectful, be safe and have fun! Keep up the great work Patriots!

Ms. Barrow

Ms. McCabe

Mrs. Brunkard

Principal

Vice Principal

Office Coordinator

**APS Spirit Wear** will be available to order online at <https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/> until November 17th. See the last 2 pages of this newsletter for more details.



## Picture Retake Day is November 8



**Lost and Found:** Remember to clearly label your child's belongings so that we can return any lost items to the respective owner.

**Progress Reports:** Progress reports will be sent home on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Please take time to discuss your child's strengths, next steps and goal setting for term one. After these reports go home, there will be an opportunity for a virtual parent/teacher interview. This is time for parents to connect with teachers early in the school year to discuss how their child(ren) is progressing and what you can do at home to support your child's learning. Parent/Teacher interviews will take place the evening of November 23 and all day on November 24. Parents/Guardians will need to sign up for an interview time. The instructions and timelines for booking an interview will be coming home with your child's progress report on November 16. Booking and interview time is time sensitive so please make sure you follow the instructions provided.



**Indoor Shoes:** As students are outside for recess either on the tarmac or on the field their shoes/boots can get very dirty and at times wet. Parents are asked to send indoor shoes or an extra pair of running shoes for their child. Please help to keep our school clean, and ensure that students are safe and prepared in the event of an emergency where we have to exit the school building.

**Weather:** With the unpredictability of our weather, it is strongly recommended that students come prepared with extra clothes. As the colder weather will soon be upon us students are reminded to wear a warm coat, boots, hats and mitts for outdoor recess times.

**Allergy Reminder:** We have children in the school with extreme allergies. Several students in our school suffer from allergic reactions to nuts and eggs. The allergy for some of these children is so severe that it could be life threatening. These students are aware of their allergies and are beginning to know to avoid certain products. All of our staff have been made aware of this situation and have been instructed in the correct procedures regarding anaphylactic shock. We are working to educate the children in every classroom about allergies. However, prevention is the best approach, please be advised that we can never guarantee a completely safe environment.

Thank you in advance, for helping us to make our school a safe environment for all students and staff. We sincerely appreciate your assistance in being aware of life threatening allergies in our school.

**Electronic Equipment:** We recognize that electronics can be used as an excellent learning tool and will be incorporated into learning programs. When technology is being used for classroom learning outcomes, teachers will provide the students with specific instructions and guidelines for their use at school. Technology is not to be used at nutrition breaks, in the halls, washrooms or outside at recess. The reason for this rule is to ensure student safety and to encourage physical activity at recess time and imaginary and organized play with friends and classmates. Thank you for your continued support.

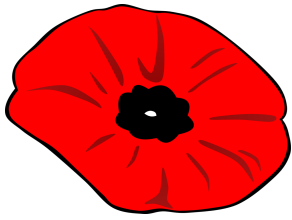


**Landscaping:** Once again, we extend a special thank you to our community partners. More specifically, we thank Walker Industries for spending time at Arthur P.S. on Friday, October 27 raking leaves and weeding our front gardens. We appreciate your support to make our school AWESOME!



**Door Decorating:** As you can see our students have been busy working together with their classmates to design a creative Fall Door display. At APS we strive on team work to accomplish many challenging projects. Our student government is always working on many initiatives to involve our students in meaningful, fun activities.





Poppies/Poppy stickers will be given to students that do not already have one, in their homeroom, on November 10th for Remembrance Day. Please support by giving a donation to The Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund - Arthur Legion Branch 226. Donations can be made online <https://ugdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

Cash Donations can also be given to homeroom teachers - Please support The Royal Canadian Legion Poppy Fund, thru the Arthur Legion Branch 226. Online donations can be made until 12 noon on November 10th. We would like to provide you with information on the ways that we will be observing Remembrance Day at Arthur Public School this year, and to invite you to participate with us in commemorating this important occasion.

### **Remembrance Assembly**

In most years, our school has had our students walk to the cenotaph to take part in the services held there by the local branch of the Royal Canadian Legion. This year, since November 11<sup>th</sup> falls on a Saturday, we will hold a school-wide assembly at 10:45am Friday, November 10th, 2023 as our Act of Remembrance. We would like to invite any family members who wish to attend the ceremony to join us, and we would particularly like to welcome any members of service (Armed Forces members, Legion members, firefighters, police officers, paramedics, etc.) who may wish to attend this event in uniform.

### **Members of Service Slideshow**

We would also like to invite any families who have a personal connection with a member of service to contribute a photo of that member in uniform, and any details of their service. We are adding to a slideshow that recognizes the service contributions of family members of students in our school. The slideshow will be played prior to, and after the conclusion of our assembly. Mr. Eugene Sidlar, our grade 4/5C teacher, will be organizing this slideshow for our school. You can send photos in digital format to [esidlar@ugcloud.ca](mailto:esidlar@ugcloud.ca). Physical photos may also be brought to school, and Mr. Sidlar will scan them so that they can be included. Photos will be returned to the students as soon as they are scanned. Please send the photos as soon as possible. The last day that photos can be accepted will be Wednesday, November 8th, 2023.

Please include the following information with your photos:

- **The name and rank of the individual in the photo, if known.**
- **The branch of service, if known. (i.e., Army, Navy, Air Force).**
- **The nation of service, if known, and not from Canada.**
- **The time period, campaign or area in which they served, if known.**
- **The name of the family submitting the photo.**

We look forward to continuing to teach our students about the importance of serving the greater community of Canada, and recognizing the sacrifices of those who serve and protect us.



## **School Council News**

***Fresh from the Farm*** pick up will be on November 9th at the school from 3-5pm. Thank you for your support.

***Krispy Kreme Fundraiser*** in support of our playground, available on <https://ugdsb.schoolcashionline.com/> until November 20th, while quantities last.

***Winter Bazaar is back!*** As an Arthur Public School tradition, our school council holds a Winter Bazaar for our students to attend. This year, it will be December 8th.

It is primarily directed toward the younger primary classes, however ALL classes have an opportunity to participate. Parents, APS Staff and community members are asked to donate any “gently used items” from home including gifts that would be appropriate for any age of sibling, parent or guardian.

All items are priced between \$0.25, a loonie or toonie. For those that celebrate Christmas, this is an opportunity for students to purchase a gift for their family members and take it home (wrapped) to put under their tree. This is also an opportunity for all of our students to participate in gift giving at a time of year, when we want to spread kindness. The money collected will support skating trips, and sledge hockey at the rink. These gifts are VERY special to the Children.

Please keep in mind the following:

- We will try to have as much donated paper, tissue and bags as possible so gifts can come home wrapped.
- For the younger children it is most helpful if the money is sent in a ziploc bag with a list of whom they should buy gifts for.
- We ask that in the beginning students purchase ONE gift for each of their immediate family. At the end of the day we will make an announcement for anyone with extra money who would like to purchase gifts for other members to please come back down for a second time...we'll try to do this before 3pm, but it will depend how the day goes and how many items are actually left.

***I encourage you to consider items around your own home to donate...books, and in particular we tend to always run short of adult gifts. If you can help in any way we would appreciate it. Please consider sending in wrapping paper and tape as well. Collections of Donations start on November 13th. Donations can be brought to the school or to 140 Charles St, W. in Arthur***

If you are a parent and interested in Volunteering, for even an hour that day between 8:00am and 4:00pm, please contact Mary Cross Mitchell, [emarye@hotmail.ca](mailto:emarye@hotmail.ca) or 519-848-2829 ASAP....we need your help! An important reminder that volunteers are required to have a Vulnerable Sector Check.

“Volunteers don’t get paid, not because they are worthless, but because they are priceless”  
Thank you as always for your support and PLEASE do contact me with any questions at all that you might have.

Mary Cross Mitchell  
[emarye@hotmail.ca](mailto:emarye@hotmail.ca) 519-848-2829

### **Community Support**

The Arthur Lions Club Christmas Hamper applications will soon be available at the Wellington County Learning Centre new location at 148 George St.

The Arthur Food Bank is available to support families in the Arthur area. Families can book appointments by emailing [arthurfoodbank@gmail.com](mailto:arthurfoodbank@gmail.com)

The Community Resource Centre's outreach program offers community-based information, resources, and support to low-income individuals in Centre Wellington, Wellington North, Minto, and Mapleton Townships. Please use the link below for more information.

<https://communityresourcecentre.org/outreach-support/>

### **Student Government News**

Thank you all for your support with the Food Drive in October. Over 2500 non-perishable items were collected for The Arthur Food Bank.

This Friday, November 10th will be our red, black and white spirit day in honour of Remembrance Day.

Friday November 17th will be our comfy cozy pyjama day. Please dress in comfy clothes or pyjamas for the day. No slippers or stuffed animals.

December events will be sent out soon.

Thank you for your support.  
The Student Government.

### **Schoolcashonline and our School Website Calendar**

Please remember to check for items available on schoolcashonline, including upcoming class trips, fundraisers and school spirit wear. <https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>

Please also remember to check our calendar on the school website for school wide events.  
<https://www.ugdsb.ca/Arthur/>



P A T R I O T S

# 2023-2024 STUDENT SPIRIT WEAR ORDER FORM

Student Name.....(JOHN MCKENNA)

CLASS.....

## Tshirts

### Youth Sizes:

Qty

XSmall.....\$15.00 x .....  
Small.....\$15.00 x .....  
Medium.....\$15.00 x .....  
Large.....\$15.00 x .....

### Adult Sizes:

Qty

Small.....\$15.00 x .....  
Medium.....\$15.00 x .....  
Large.....\$15.00 x .....  
XLarge.....\$15.00 x .....  
2XLarge.....\$16.00 x .....  
3XLarge.....\$17.00 x .....



☐ BLUE ☐ NAVY ☐ GREY ☐ WHITE ☐ PINK

☐ Add Name on right sleeve (+\$ 4.00 /shirt) NAME : .....(MCKENNA)

If printed name is different to above please put in below space.  
(please use BLOCK capitals)

## LONG SLEEVE TSHIRT

### Youth Sizes:

Qty

Small.....\$ 22.00 x .....  
Medium.....\$ 22.00 x .....  
Large.....\$ 22.00 x .....  
XLarge.....\$22.00 x .....

### Adult Sizes:

Qty

Small.....\$22.00 x .....  
Medium.....\$22.00 x .....  
Large.....\$22.00 x .....  
XLarge.....\$22.00 x .....  
2XLarge.....\$23.00 x .....  
3XLarge.....\$24.00 x .....



☐ NAVY ☐ GREY ☐ WHITE

☐ Add NAME on back bottom (+\$5.00/ SHIRT) NAME : .....(MCKENNA)

If printed name is different to above please put in below space.  
(please use BLOCK capitals)

## Jogging Pants

### Youth Sizes:

Qty

Small.....\$22.00 x .....  
Medium.....\$22.00 x .....  
Large.....\$22.00 x .....  
XLarge.....\$22.00 x .....

### Adult Sizes:

Qty

Small.....\$22.00 x .....  
Medium.....\$22.00 x .....  
Large.....\$22.00 x .....  
XLarge.....\$22.00 x .....  
2XLarge.....\$23.00 x .....  
3XLarge.....\$24.00 x .....



## Cotton Hoodie

### Youth Sizes:

Small.....\$30.00 x .....  
 Medium.....\$30.00 x .....  
 Large.....\$30.00 x .....

Qty

### Adult Sizes:

Small.....\$30.00 x .....  
 Medium.....\$30.00 x .....  
 Large.....\$30.00 x .....  
 XLarge.....\$30.00 x .....  
 2XLarge.....\$31.00 x .....  
 3XLarge.....\$32.00 x .....

Qty

☐ **BLUE** ☐ **NAVY** ☐ **GREY** ☐ **WHITE**

☐ **Add NAME on back bottom (+\$5.00/hoodie) NAME :** .....(MCKENNA)

If printed name is different to above please put in below space.  
 (please use BLOCK capitals)



## Game Day

## Polyester Hoodie

### Youth Sizes:

Small.....\$40.00 x .....  
 Medium.....\$40.00 x .....  
 Large.....\$40.00 x .....

Qty

### Adult Sizes:

Small.....\$40.00 x .....  
 Medium.....\$40.00 x .....  
 Large.....\$40.00 x .....  
 XLarge.....\$40.00 x .....  
 2XLarge.....\$41.00 x .....  
 3XLarge.....\$42.00 x .....

Qty

☐ **NAVY** ☐ **GREY** ☐ **WHITE**

☐ **Add NAME on back bottom (+\$5.00/hoodie) NAME :** .....(MCKENNA)

If printed name is different to above please put in below space.  
 (please use BLOCK capitals)



☐ **SNAP BACK CAP**  
 (INC EMBROIDERED LOGO)....\$25.00

☐ **BEANIE WINTER HAT**  
 (INC EMBROIDERED LOGO)....\$25.00



☐ **Cinch bag** .....\$7.00



ORDER FORMS ARE DUE BACK ON :

**\*cash online only\***

**TOTAL \$.....**