



Arthur Public School

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April News

April has sprung and the weather continues to be inconsistent. We are looking forward to the nicer weather that is certainly on its way. Already with a few nice days, we have observed the energy levels of our students rise. It is encouraging to watch many students running around and playing cooperatively with their classmates. Students, with the support of their parents, are reminded to come prepared for the varied weather conditions that spring brings. Students are expected to dress appropriately for personal safety and these changing weather conditions. In addition, we ask students to have a pair of non-marking indoor shoes and appropriate outdoor footwear.

We are well on our journey toward the completion of another school year. Over the next three months we will continue to maintain high standards for our students to support them in doing their best work and participating in extracurricular activities. At home, please continue to encourage your child(ren) to push themselves to strive for excellence and celebrate their successes. Parents can help by continuing to schedule time at home with their child to practice basic math skills (play some math games) and read regularly at night. Having ongoing discussions about what your child is learning will help consolidate the learning. Thank you to all our parents for supporting Arthur P.S..

Ms. Barrow
Principal

Mrs. McCabe
Vice Principal

Mrs. Brunkard
Office Coordinator

Check School Website, Calendar and Schoolcashonline

Remember to check <https://www.ugdsb.ca/Arthur/> for updates and school wide events on the calendar. Also check <https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/> for fundraisers, school trips, lunchbox, milk, pizza etc

UGDSB:

<https://www.ugdsb.ca/community/communications/communications-newsletter/>

Change in April PA Day

The school board has made the decision to move the PA Day originally scheduled for Friday, April 19, 2024, to Monday, April 8, 2024.

We are making this adjustment due to the fact that the solar eclipse is set to occur during school dismissal, when students will not have full supervision and will be traveling home.

This decision is being made by the Upper Grand District School Board and Wellington Catholic District School Board, and is in line with similar changes announced by other school boards.

Safe Arrival

Please remember to call the school at 519-848-3793 and leave a message on the attendance line if your child is not going to be at school. We need to hear from each family if your child is not attending school, so we know they are safe.

Kindergarten Registration

Children born in 2020 start Junior Kindergarten in September. Please use this link to register your kindergarten student online <https://www.ugdsb.ca/kindergarten/>

New Registrations

Families new to Arthur can register students using this link <https://www.ugdsb.ca/schools/admission-registration/>

Is your family moving?

Please contact the school office if your family is moving or you have a change in contact information. It is important that we have current contact information. If you are moving out of the area please also let us know this information aids in your child's transition to a new school.

Indoor Shoes

Parents are asked to send indoor shoes or an extra pair of running shoes for their child. Not only is it unhealthy and dangerous for students to walk around the floors of the school in socks, we want students to be prepared in the event of an emergency where we have to exit the school building.



Spring Door Decorating: At APS, we are ready for Spring as we buzz around the school learning and actively playing together outside at recess and outdoor learning times. We can't wait for more sunshine!



Periodic Head Lice Checks

Please check your children under bright lights, parting and lifting strands of hair. Let us know if your child has lice. Please treat your child and remove all nits before sending him/her back to school. Thanks for your help.

Bikes at School



The weather will soon start to look like Spring, although Mother Nature is giving us one last feel of Winter. Many students are excited to ride their bike or scooter to school. This is a great way to get some exercise and have fun.

Please remember that **bikes and scooters must be walked on and off property**. With so many students walking around before and after school, we want to avoid any possible accidents, so please make sure you are walking your bike or scooter off school property, before getting on to ride. **Always wear a helmet!**



Reminder: Skateboards and rollerblades are not permitted on the school property.

Food and Friends

Thank you for your support during our Live Free Campaign. Our school raised \$769 for our snack program.

Legion Contest:

Kaitlyn Came in 4th for the district C round!! (Third round) Linda Tremble presented the certificate to her earlier this week at the school. Congratulations Kaitlyn!



Arthur Food Bank

The Arthur Food Bank is available for families in the Arthur area to access for food once a month. They are located at 146 George St in Arthur 519-848-3272 and are open on Tuesdays 10-noon and the 2nd & 4th Tuesday 6-8pm for families to pick up food supplies. Please email arthurfoodbank@gmail.com to register/book your appointment. Food boxes are pre-packed for families so appointments are necessary.

School Council

Our school council has been busy organizing various fundraising events to help support our school. We appreciate your participation and willingness to help raise money for our school. Our Spring Meat Fundraiser pick up is April 11th from 3-5pm at the Arthur Arena.

Playground:

The Fundraising Committee has been reaching out to many businesses over the past couple years for donations to support this initiative. We would like to extend a special

thank you to Musashi for funding the first phase of our playground project. We are getting very close to reaching our fundraising goal in order to install phase two. As our fundraising efforts continue, we are in the final stretch to obtain our goal to purchase and install a second new play structure on the other side of our yard. With a goal of **\$300,000.00**, to date, our fundraising efforts have secured **\$286,906.16**. We are continuing our fundraising efforts with only **\$13,093.84** left to meet our goal. If you are associated with an organization that would be interested in donating toward our playground or if you are interested in a personal donation you can do this by donating on Cash on Line, click the link below :

<https://ugdsb.schoolcashionline.com/>

Community Members can also donate using this link

<https://ugdsb.schoolcashionline.com/Fee/Details/80573/64/False/True>

Below are the images of both playgrounds.

Thank you to those who have already donated to the playground through schoolcashionline, we have raised an additional \$620 so far.

Junior/Intermediate (Grade 4-8)



Primary (K-3)



Mark your calendar and stop in at APS to purchase some garden soil and mulch. All money raised is to support our new playgrounds.



Soil & Mulch Sale

Saturday, April 20th, 2024

10 am to 2 pm

Arthur Public School

155 Conestoga St. N, Arthur

Cash only

Limited Product Available

All Proceeds towards the Arthur Public School Primary Playground



Prices range from \$3 to \$6 per bag.



The Arthur Lions Drive Thru Chicken Barbeque is Thursday April 25th.

Arthur Public School Playground fund will be the recipient of some of the proceeds from this event.

Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Our school council members have Chicken BBQ Tickets.

Please reach out to them for tickets, via emails, telephone, social media messages or in person.

Casi Gray, Cherlyn Altena, Crystal VanGerven, Margaret Ribey,

Carly Clark, Jami Batte, Stacy Cowan

Thank you for your support.