



2018 Newsletter

Please participate in our Help Kids Live Free from Hunger Campaign that supports the Erin Pulic School Food & Friends Breakfast Club student nutrition program by making a donation online <http://weblink.donorperfect.com/LiveFreeDonation2018> or sending a donation with your child by March 2, 2018. Every dollar raised at our school comes back to support our EPS Breakfast Club.

<http://www.childrensfoundation.org/downloads/positioning-statement.jpg>



We are moving Primary Hall! The construction on the Day Care is slated to begin in March. Some of our classrooms for the Rainbow Hall will be moving to the second floor. Stay tuned for more exact updates. Students will be transitioned and will tour the upstairs as well as have a practice Fire Drill prior to the move. If you have questions or concerns, please call Mrs. Harrison at 519-833-9685.

Parking and Student Drop-off

Please be reminded of the parking and drop-off protocol. Many of our students are crossing the road (Daniel street) at haphazard points. The safest place to drop off is North of the crosswalk on Daniel street. This way, the students are being shuttled across the street by a crossing guard and not in front of the 17 buses entering our driveway in the morning. If you drop off on the street in front of the school, the students are placed in the path of the buses, which is unsafe. Dropping off in the parking lot is also unsafe, as cars exit the lot going directly against the flow of buses as well as the crosswalk for students.



Upcoming Hockey Games:

Did you know Erin PS has its own hockey team? It is true! Thanks to our dedicated coaches, Ms. Waddell, Ms. Turk, Ms. Reilly and Mr. Miller! Even if you don't have a child on the team, come out and cheer the kids on! Here are some upcoming games:

Tuesday, February 6 - Hillsburgh arena
Monday, February 12 - Centre 2000
Monday, February 26- Centre 2000
Wednesday, February 28 - Teen Ranch
All games are from 4-5pm



Tournament will be at the beginning of March. More information is to follow once the date is determined.

From the Library:



In February, the Forest of Reading Book Clubs will be starting up once a week during nutrition break. The Silver Birch Express is for Grade 2-4 students; Red Maple/Silver Birch is Grade 5-8. The nominated books are read and discussed by the children and in April they vote for their favourite.

Winter Carnaval

Winter Carnaval will happen on February 16th. We will spend most of the day outside, so all students should be dressed for the weather: warm jackets, extra sweaters, snow pants, warm boots with extra socks, mittens, scarves and hats. If each student could use tupperware (or some container) to freeze water into blocks of ice, they can drop them off outside at the front of the school on the morning of the 16th. We will be using them to make ice sculptures. The more the merrier!



FEBRUARY 7TH IS WINTER WALK DAY!



Lots of UGDSB schools participated in Walk to School Day in October. Did you know that there is also a walk to school day in February? Let's keep the momentum going! February 7th is Winter Walk Day across Canada. It's the perfect opportunity for parents and kids to get outside together and stretch those legs! Walk to school or at school for daily physical activity, a healthier environment, safer streets, making friends and...having fun! Walking helps kids get those 60 minutes of daily physical activity they need. It's also a great cure for those winter blues and helps students concentrate better in class.

As a parent, you can help your child learn about walking or riding to school safely:

- Be a good role model. Demonstrate road safety rules with your child (e.g. looking both ways when crossing the street).
- Plan a walking or riding route. Assess potential hazards with your child. Encourage your child to stick to the route.
- Remind your child about personal safety. Point out the houses of people you know where they can go for help if needed.
- Adopt a buddy system. Walk with a “walking buddy” – a sibling or a friend.
- Ask that electronics like iPods and cellphones be put in their bag while walking to school. Pedestrian safety is compromised by texting, earphones and cellphone conversation.
- Talk about the rules of the road and pedestrian safety.

Visit www.saferoutestoschool.ca for more information and resources on active school travel.

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