



May Newsletter



Hello Kenilworth Families!

It is hard to believe that May is already here! Hopefully some warm weather will be heading our way! Please remember to send your child with sunscreen on and some extra in their backpack if needed. As in the past, May and June tend to be very busy months. Please watch for emails and posts to UGConnect to keep up to date with future events. Dates and events are also posted on the calendar on the school's website.



I would like to thank Mrs. Huber for organizing our assembly. This month we learned about initiative. Congratulations to the following students who received a Learning Skills Certificate who demonstrated Collaboration for the month of April. In Kindergarten Robbie and Maslyn, Gr 1/2 Isabella and Eric, in Gr 3/4 Scarlett and Xander, and Gr 5/6 Addison and Josh.

Last year, students and staff learned about the land in which Kenilworth PS is located on and about Treaty 45 1/2. After this learning, students and staff wrote an acknowledgment recognizing the land and creating action steps to help protect the land and learn more about Indigenous Peoples. The Land Acknowledgment is read before assemblies, staff meetings and School Council Meetings. This year our focus has been on the action steps of the Land Acknowledgement. We have participated in environmental initiatives, had a virtual guest speaker, and have given back to the community. To end the school year, we are going to create a garden and hopefully grow some vegetables to donate to an organization in Mount Forest.



Congratulations to the Sideline basketball team who participated in the junior tournament held at Victoria Cross. Thank you to Mr. Gauci for coaching the team!

Mental Health Activity Day

On Friday May 5th, we will provide activities for all students that focus on Mental Health. The students will have an opportunity to participate in an art activity brought to us from the Arthur School of Art, a Yoga session with Heather Reeves and a cooking lesson on how to make healthy snacks.

Upcoming Dates:

May 1-5-Education and Mental Health Week
May 4-Gr. 5/6 's off to Empowerment Day
May 5-Mental Health Activity Day
May 18th-Meat Fundraiser pick up

May 22-Victoria Day-No School
May 24-Track and Field Day-Rain date May 26
May 29- EQAO begins for Gr. 3 and 6 students
May 30-Wheelchair Basketball starts

Mrs. Cozzarin



PATS:

The last meeting of the year is scheduled for Thursday June 8th at 6:30 in the Library. Thank you to all families who purchased from the Meat Fundraiser. Funds from this fundraiser will be going towards our year end trip. **Don't forget pick up is May 18th from 3-4:30.**

Moving:

Planning for the 2023-2024 school year is underway. If you will be moving this summer, or know of someone moving into the school area, please notify the school office as soon as possible.



Junior Kindergarten:

We continue to register children for our September 2023 Kindergarten classes. If you have a child who will turn 4 (Junior Kindergarten) or 5 (Senior Kindergarten) on or before December 31st please call the school. Information about our JK visit will be sent out to families shortly.

Sometimes we are looking for different ways to help our children at home with math. I have great news! The UGDSB has created a Math Website for Families.

The elementary curriculum department invites families to come and explore a new math website for Parents and Guardians called, [Games and Activities that Support Mathematical Thinking at Home](#). The site is full of parent/guardian resources and activities you may use at home to strengthen foundational numeracy skills with your children. The purpose of this site is to share hands on and interactive math games you can play in a home setting while also exploring how we can nurture a love of mathematics with our children. The site includes low prep activities meaning games require little to no materials and are suitable for children grades K-8. The games highlighted here are hands-on and not digital. As technology continues to develop and provide wonderful learning opportunities, these games allow for a break from the screen and promote face to face interaction. There is also a form linked to the site inviting families to share their own math games as well. We hope this site is helpful to families looking to explore math together.

