

May Newsletter



Hello Kenilworth Families!

It is hard to believe that May is already here! 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.

As many of you know that Mrs. Innes will be leaving us at the end of this week to go on Maternity Leave. I would like to welcome Ms. Cadence Crosby to the Kenilworth team and the Gr. 2/3 class.





I would like to thank Mrs. Kress for organizing our assembly. This month we learned about Gratitude. Congratulations to the following students who received a certificate. In Kindergarten Mason and Chloe, Gr 1/2 Braxton and Alice, in Gr 2/3 Logan and Charlie, in Gr 4 Phoenix and Niah, and in Gr 5/6 Ava and Xander. For the month of May we will be learning about Empathy. Empathy is:

- Seeing yourself through the lens of someone else's eyes
 - The ability to think about what someone else is going through, and imagine how you would feel in their place
 - The ability to understand and share the feelings of another
 - Feeling one with a person in a non-judgmental manner
 - Often the first step towards compassionate action and helping others

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!



Spoons! The snack program often hands out spoons to students who are missing a spoon from their lunch pail. Unfortunately, we are out of spoons. Please check your kitchen drawers if you have any school spoons. Also if you have any metal spoons you would like to donate, we would be very appreciative.

Mrs. L. Cozzarin

Mental Health Activity Day

On Friday May 10th, we will provide activities for all students that focus on Mental Health. The students will have an opportunity to participate in a variety of activities that promote mental health. Such as card making, learning how to make a healthy snack, STEM activities, outdoor activities and fitness.

Upcoming Dates:

May 2nd Empowerment Day-Gr. %'s May 6-10-Education and Mental Health Week May 10-Mental Health Activities May 16 Gr ½,⅔ at Ag. Awareness Day Arthur May 17 Hat Day

May 20 Victoria Day-No School May 23 Track and Field Day-Rain date (24th) May 27 EQAO week for Gr 3 and 6's May 30 Gr ½, ⅔'s to Safety Village May 31 Gr 4-6 to Safe Kids Day in Palmerston

PATS:

PATS will be hosting their last fundraiser for the year. Meat orders are due Monday May 20th and pick up is on **Thursday June 6th 3-4pm from 3-4pm**.

Track and Field:

Looking for volunteers! If you have your VSC up to date and would like to help us on May 23 for Track and Field, please reach out to Mrs. Huber at lisa.huber@ugdsb.on.ca.

Moving:

Planning for the 2024-2025 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 2024 Kindergarten classes. If you have a child who will turn 4 (Junior Kindergarten) or 5 (September 21et place

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, <u>Games and Activities that Support Mathematical Thinking at Home</u>.

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.

Mount Forest Library

After School Adventures: Mother's Day Cards (School Age)

Come to the Mount Forest branch and enjoy making some bright, colourful Mother's Day cards! Registration is preferred, but drop-ins are welcomed. For more information, click here <u>After School</u> <u>Adventures - Wellington County Library (libnet.info)</u> Friday, May 10, from 4:00 – 4:45 pm.



Let the Games Begin – Puzzle Swap (All Ages)

Tired of making the same jigsaw puzzles and need a new challenge? Stop in any time during open hours and bring one or two of yours to swap with others. Complete puzzles only please. All ages. For more information, click here Let the Games Begin - Wellington County Library (libnet.info) Tuesday, May 14, from 10:00 am – 8:00 pm.