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Newsletter
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Principal's Message

Spring is here!! We have been mostly contained to the hard top for recess because of the wet conditions. Thank you students for your patience and thank you staff for providing so many extra-curricular recess activities. With clubs and activities going on, our hard top is less busy. We are all eagerly awaiting dry conditions on the yard again. This is the part of the school year that flies by. Please take some time to check out our Dates to Note below. With so much going on, before we know it, we will be at the end of June again.

Don't forget to register for online payments…….

We are approaching 80% participation in our online payment system. Way to go! This is a safer, easier, and more convenient way to look after any payments to the school. We have received online payments for over $30,000. That is over thirty thousand dollars that has not required sorting, counting, recounting, paperwork and a trip to the bank by Ms. Coats for deposit! If you have not had the chance to set this up yet, instructions are below. Check with Ms. Coats in the office if you have any questions.

Here's How to Register for Online Payments

Step 1: Go to this website - ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com
Step 2: Register by selecting "Get Started Now" and follow the steps
Step 3: Respond to the confirmation email, select the "click here" option, sign in and add each of your children to your household account

Have a wonderful month!

Curt McQueen
Principal

Stay in touch by……..

Checking out our website: www.ugdsb.ca/winegard
Following us on Twitter: @wcwinegardps
Following School Council happenings on
Facebook:https://www.facebook.com/williamcwinegardschoolcouncil

PD Day

Please note that Friday, April 27th is a PD Day. Staff will be in meetings and there is no school for students.

William C. Winegard Math Event and Book Fair Evening - Friday, May 11

This year we were fortunate enough again to receive Parents Reaching Out Grant from the Ministry of Education through our School Council. In the past, these PRO Grants have supported our "Workout and Wellness for Wolves" evening and our "Outdoor Learning" evening.

This May, we cordially welcome all the members of the William C.Winegard family to join us for our Spring Math Event. It will be a fun family oriented event on Friday May 11, 2018 from 6-8 p.m. The evening is themed "THIS IS YOUR BRAIN ON MATH", and will have members from the community with varying roles in life attending, who will show our children how math can help in everyday life, can aid in attaining prestigious careers, and can even help us enjoy the Arts.

Refreshments will be served and some trivia prizes can be won. As well, our annual Book Fair will be open in the library. Come and join us for a different take on math!

EQAO Testing

In May, grade 3 and 6 students will take part in EQAO testing. The EQAO testing window is from May 28th-June 1st. Please avoid booking appointments during this time.

Dates to Note

April 2- Easter Monday--No school
April 5 - Chocolate Bar Fundraiser finishes
April 5 - Chess Tournament
April 6 - All Chocolate Bar Money Due
April 6 - Junior/Intermediate Skills Competition
April 10 - School Council Meeting
April 10 - Grade ⅝ and Grade 6 at River Run Centre
April 11 - Grade 1s go to the Museum
April 11 - International Day of Pink
April 24 - Turtle Island Festival Trip for grade 8 students
April 26 - Celebration Assembly and Spirit Day - Crazy Sock Day!!!
April 27 - PD Day-no school for students
April 30-May 2 - Grade 6 Overnight Trip to Camp Ki Way Y
May 2 - Grade 4 Trip - Emergency Preparedness Day
May 3 - Empowerment Day - Grade 6,7, 8
May 4 - Grade 3 Trip to Royal Botanical Gardens
May 11 - Winegard Math Event and Book Fair Evening (6:00 PM - 8:00 PM)

Live Free Day - Friday, March 2rd

Thank you so much for your contributions on Live Free Day. We raised over $400 to support Food and Friends and our snack program.

School Council

Thank you for your efforts so far with respect to our chocolate bar fundraiser. The event is going very well. Please have all money in by this Friday, April 6th.

Next Meeting
Our next meeting is **Tuesday, April 10th at 6:30 PM** in the library. We realize that evening meetings may be difficult with children at home. **Childcare will be available for our May meeting if needed.** Please email williamcwinegard.ps@ugdsb.on.ca if you would be bringing children to our next meeting. Indicate how many children would be coming and their ages.

Any questions or comments related to School Council can initially be directed toward our Chair, Rachel Albanese. She can be reached at raplby@hotmail.com.

W. C. W. WE Walk for Water Campaign

Our Me to We team has decided to focus our global fundraising efforts on the We Walk for Water Campaign.

¨Clean water isn't a luxury—it's a basic human right. One that millions of people around the world lack access to because of water sources that are unsafe or far from home.¨

¨When communities have access to clean water, girls can attend school, parents can run sustainable farms and families can break the cycle of poverty. For every $25 we raise it provides one person with clean water for life.¨

We need your help to support this cause. Beginning the first week of April we will have a bucket in front of the office to collect any donations to put towards our We Walk for Water school campaign. We will come together as a school to participate in the Water Walk at the end of the month. Thank you for all of your continued support throughout year!

The Me to We Team