



DRAYTON HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Safety, in Spring

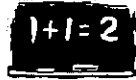


We want our students to be safe everywhere, all the time. With the new season upon us, rain and melting snow have created dangerously high rivers and creeks. Please remind your child(ren) to stay away from these areas. Also, with the warmer weather and longer days, children want to be playing outside more. With bikes, skateboards, and scooters in the community again, please pay careful attention while driving. Students should be refreshed on bike safety and the "rules of the road", in order to ensure that no accidents happen going to and from school and on the weekends. Don't forget - wearing a helmet is not only a necessary safety precaution, it's the law.

Bikes may not be ridden through the playground, must be kept locked in the bike rack, and riders should always be aware of pedestrian safety.

For the safety of all, skateboards, roller blades, heeies and scooters are not allowed on school property or buses. Please keep these items at home. Thank you for your cooperation.

GRADE 3 AND GRADE 6 EQAO



Don't forget to mark May 31 - June 3 on your calendars. It is helpful to avoid making appointments during that week to ensure all Grade 3 & 6 students are at school for the testing block. More information will be coming after we receive our introductory package this month.

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DATES TO NOTE

- April 16 School Council Fundraising Forms Due - Order in on May 7th
- April 16 Interm. Basketball Tourn. Mt. Forest.
- April 19 Cinderella's Frog Prince JK - 4
- April 22 High School Musical Gr 3 - 8
- April 22 DARE - Graduation Gr. 6
- April 29 Hoops kick off Assembly
- Apr. 30 PD Day
- May 3 & 4 Earthkeepers - Gr 5
- May 3-5 New Orleans Pizza Fundraising for schools
- May 3-7 Education Week
- May 5 Spring Photos
- May 6 Spring Photos - alternate K day
- May 6 U-Power Assembly (*speaker*)
Gr. 4 - 8/2:00 pm
- May 7 Hoops for Heart Event 12:35
- May 7 Pick up date for fundraiser 2:30-4:00
- May 10 School Council Meeting
- May 12 Trade Tech. Career Day OYAP Gr. 8
- May 14 School Spirit Day - Twin Day

FUNDRAISING



New Orleans Pizza Fundraiser

New Orleans Pizza is holding their annual school fundraiser on May 3, 4 and 6. Purchase pizza after 4 p.m. on those evenings, fill in the name of the school you would like your donation to go to, and half the money you spend will be donated to the school. At the end of the campaign, New Orleans Pizza will present our school with a cheque for the amount donated.

I hope you're all hungry for pizza!

SAFE ARRIVAL



A big **THANK YOU** to all the parents who call the school at 638-3067 ext. 221 whenever their child is going to be absent from school. The office needs this information.

It is the responsibility of the parents to :

1. Inform the school if your child will be late or absent for any reason. We also ask that when calling you indicate the reason for the absence, such as: ill, appointment, vacation etc. This allows us to know exactly the amount of illness within the school.
2. To provide your child written permission (*including the date*) for your child to leave the school during the day.
3. Provide current telephone contacts such as current phone numbers for home, work, cell and caregivers.

We appreciate the effort you make to keep us informed and it saves a tremendous amount of secretarial time. Don't forget that our machine takes messages 24 hours a day, and it is important for us to know the whereabouts of all our students. Thank you for your cooperation!

JUMP START PROGRAM

Big Brothers and Big Sisters of North Wellington, in partnership with Canadian Tire stores, are sponsoring the Jump Start program to assist local families with the cost of tuition for active sports. Their goal is to ensure that every child who wants to be involved in a sport is able to do so. To access an application form, contact Marnie Mainland at 323-4273.

QSP Magazines -Please call this number if you have not yet begun to receive your magazine subscriptions 1-800-667-2536.

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS !

Reminder: The next School Council Meeting is:



Monday, May 10th at 7:30 p.m.

WOW - it's hard to believe how fast time flies. As the end of the school year is fast approaching, a **BIG** thank-you must be extended to the school community and all of those who have supported our fundraisers and our children all year! Reminder, our Baked Goods fundraiser ends on April 16th and orders are due back to the school on that day. **Thank-you again for your support!!**

APPROPRIATE DRESS AT DRAYTON HEIGHTS

Appropriate dress is defined as student attire that is free of symbols of hate, gang membership, or images that portray violence, death, abuse, cigarettes, drugs, alcohol, racial slurs, obscene words, political or sexual statements.

In a general context beyond the above statement, we expect students to show respect for themselves and others. Styles of clothing will change but students should come to school dressed in clothing suitable to their age group and the school environment. We expect students to show common sense, good judgement, and recognize that school is a public institution where expectations for dress may differ from their personal choices. For example, muscle shirts, spaghetti straps, bare midriffs, bare backs, and low scooped necklines are unacceptable. Shirts **MUST** be "tuckable", shorts and skirts a reasonable length, and undergarments may not be visible. Please bear this in mind during the excitement of shopping for new spring clothing for your children. The dress code will be enforced at school, and we have spare clothing for students who need to change.

FOOD TO FORKS

On Tuesday the grade 5/6 class went to Drayton Foodland to purchase items for the Drayton Food Bank. Each pair of students was given \$100.00 by the Moorefield Optimists, and used information from flyers and lessons in class to find the best deals. In total the students spent \$1,299.37 and purchased 589 items for the Food Bank. Congratulations to our North Stars! What a great learning experience. We thank the Moorefield Optimists for being the link with the Food for Forks Funding and making such a wonderful contribution to our community!

Harvest Table Fundraiser

The Harvest Table in Parker is providing an opportunity to support our school while you shop! When you purchase \$50.00 of products in the store, The Harvest Table will donate 3% to the school. If you purchase \$100.00 the donation will be 5%. Simply let the staff know the name of the school you would like to support.

The Harvest Table is a local meat and food store located at the corner of County Rd 7 and Wellington Rd. 12. The hours are Monday to Saturday 8:00 am - 6:00 pm. More information can be obtained by visiting their website. www.theharvesttable.ca

D.A.R.E.

The grade six students are participating in the Optimist sponsored D.A.R.E. Program. This is a nine week course that helps students learn how to make healthy and wise decisions using a specific format. Students will participate in a Graduation Ceremony on April 22nd. More information about the program can be obtained on their website.

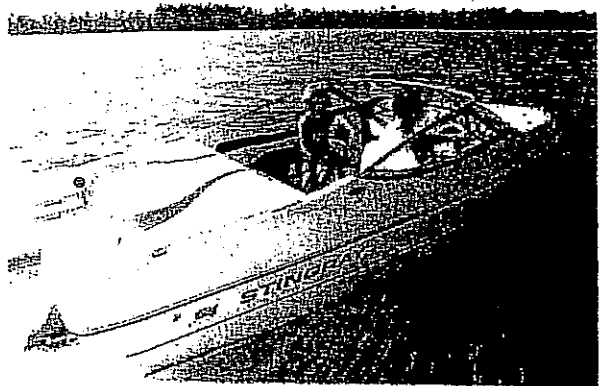
SPELLING BEE WINNER

The Drayton Heights community would like to congratulate Madison H. in Mrs. McCracken's grade 4/5 class for her awesome performance in spelling this year. Not only did Madison win the school's grade 5 Spelling Bee, but she went on to win at the interschool level as well. Madison will compete later this month at the University of Waterloo Spelling Bee. We know that Madison will continue to represent our school well at this next level. *Way to go Madison!*

FERGUS-ELORA DRIVING SCHOOL DRAYTON SITE

OFFERING BOATING COURSE

April 27 and 28 from 6:30 to 9:30



**CERTIFIED INSTRUCTOR -
EXAMINER WITH THE CANADIAN
LIFE SAVING SOCIETY AND
RECOGNIZED BY THE CANADIAN
COAST GUARD**

**COURSES FOR ALL AGES
CALL FOR DETAILS**

DRAYTON 519-638-9990

Re-Think Your Drink

How much added sugar are you drinking? Look at the sugar content of these drinks.



Type of Drink (10 ounce serving)	Number of teaspoons of sugar
Flavoured Milk	4
Sports Drink	6
Fruitopia	8
Coke Classic	9
Slush Drink	10

How can you re-think your drink?

- Drink pop, fruit drinks and sport drinks less often.
- Be a role model for your children and others.
- Stock your fridge with healthy beverage choices.

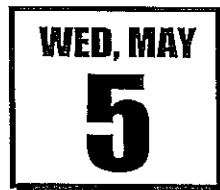
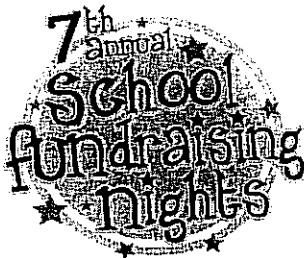
Milk and 100% fruit juice are healthier choices and water is a calorie AND sugar-free alternative.

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Public Health

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SCHOOL FUNDRAISING NIGHTS

From 4:00 pm until Close

1/2 OF THE MONEY YOU SPEND AT NEW ORLEANS PIZZA WILL BE DONATED TO THE SCHOOL or DAYCARE OF YOUR CHOICE!

NEW ORLEANS PIZZA, PLEASE DONATE 50% OF THIS PURCHASE TO THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL/DAYCARE:

Drayton Heights Public School

PLEASE PRINT FULL NAME OF SCHOOL OR DAYCARE. ACCEPTED AT ALL LOCATIONS. PICK-UP OR DELIVERY

OFFICE USE ONLY Sale amount

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