



WORSLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Worsley Families,

Happy Spring everyone! The sunnier weather has brought some brightened spirits as well. We continue to have amazing things happen at our school. Our entire school is engaging in a fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Environment, Arts, Math) activity that involves using a Lego character that has to successfully undergo a designed-and-built ride. This activity was inspired by the primary students attending the Wonder Park movie, and our Junior and Intermediate students engaging in a movie buy-out.

Please join us on April 16th for our Health and Wellness Evening and Worsley Showcase Night. Students will be showcasing their completed STEAM projects and we will have community partners and activities relating to Well-Being.

Another exciting event will be our annual DanceATHon on April 18th - all students can enjoy the fun and festivities of a school dance - glow items will be available to purchase.

Our first-ever Worsley Connect-4 Tournament was a huge success. Two hundred and sixteen staff and students were put into a bracket to compete to be the school champion of this fun math game. Congrats to Aryton in grade 6 for being the Worsley Connect-4 Champion!

I want to thank our exceptional Worsley staff again for all the care and effort they have towards our children. This school continues to offer a caring and positive climate, and there are many opportunities for our students to excel and shine.

We wish you a safe and Happy Easter and a wonderful April.

Classroom Place for Next School Year:

Planning has begun for classroom placements for Next school year. Each year the staff here carefully

place students into classes where they believe the child can most succeed - and their understanding of the multiple dynamics involved in this process is used. If there are some special and specific needs your child has in regards to their placement for next year, please put your request in writing and email Principal Darrell Bax at darbax@scdsb.on.ca or submit a hardcopy letter to the office addressed to Mr. Bax.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK APRIL 8-12

Worsley's Wellness Goal

"foster a community of kindness, inclusion and wellbeing"

To help promote our school wellness goal, Worsley has planned events during Anti-Bullying Week. Individual classrooms will be engaging in a variety of anti-bullying activities throughout the week as well.

Monday, April 8

Worsley is excited to be hosting, "Find Your Magic", a presentation that will inspire students to help create a safe and inclusive school community. The framework for this presentation, which is differentiated based on student age, is centered on the following 4 beliefs:

- *anything is possible*
- *believe in yourself*
- *you're not alone*
- *find your magic*

The cost of this presentation is \$2.00/student. Please send in \$2.00 to your child's classroom teacher by Friday, April 5.

Wednesday, April 10

PINK SHIRT DAY

@Worsley we choose KIND

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONCERT BAND!!!



To help our band participate in this awesome event, please join us at our first ever BOSTON PIZZA BOOSTER NITE on Wednesday May 8th starting at 5:30 to enjoy an unlimited buffet of pizza and pasta

Tickets will be on sale for \$20.00 each at our office and from our band members and leaders



HEALTH & WELLNESS EVENING

Please join us on TUESDAY, APRIL 16 from 5:30-7:00, at Worsley for our Health and Wellness Evening. There will be many showcases of student learning including the Junior and Intermediate Bands, Choir, Environment Club, gardening activities as well as our primary STEAM challenge: Woe's WonderPark. We have many community wellness partners such as Health Unit, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Georgian Good Food Box and more!!! Plus, the smoothie bike will be returning! There will be light refreshments provided. This is a free event. We will be selling gum and all proceeds will be going to the "Zach Makes Tracks 2.0: Burst Your Bubble Challenge" to support youth mental health at Royal Victoria Regional Health Centre in Barrie. Please also stop by the Book Fair in the library during the evening.

We look forward to celebrating WORSLEY WELLNESS with you!!!

HOME FOR HORIZON



In March, while the Grade 1-3 were at WonderPark our Junior and Intermediate students were invited to participate in a movie buyout, but instead of money we encouraged students to bring in supplies to support Home Horizon in Collingwood, and each class was given an item to collect. Home Horizon is a local community outreach program that helps address the homelessness for youth ages 16-24 in our region. Their programming ranges from offering housing alternatives and connections to other community partners, as well as 24-hour support for life skills, cooking classes, workshops and counseling services. Look at how many hats,

Gloves, Kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, Kraft Dinner, popcorn, socks, toilet paper, paper towel, school supplies, soap and personal hygiene products we collected!!

News from the Library

We continue to update our library with new and exciting books! Thank you to every family who has donated gently used books to our library this year! We are always accepting and appreciating any book donations you can make.



Our first book fair this year was such a success, and helped us to purchase so many new books and robots, that we decided to have another one! The Scholastic Dino-Mite Book Fair will run from Monday April 15th to Thursday April 18th and will be opened late Tuesday night for families to visit. Thank you so much for your continued support with our goal of updating our library!

Yearbooks for Sale

Our yearbook committee has been busy working on creating a 56 page full colour yearbook! Order envelopes will be heading home shortly. The yearbooks will arrive by the end of the school year. If you have a business that you would like to have advertised in our yearbook please email khesselink@scdsb.on.ca for more information.

Community advertisements help keep the cost of our yearbooks as low as possible. Thank you!

Worsley's First school-wide STEAM Challenge

On April 16th each class from kindergarten to grade eight will have their Woe's Wonder Park creation on display for our Wellness Evening. Classes were asked to create an amusement park ride using the principles of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts and math) for a little LEGO rider. The students will be searching for the math in their creations and can't wait for their families to check out what they've created!

**Music is life.
That's why our
hearts have
beats.**



MUSIC MANIA

A pure celebration of Music, non-competitive Festival where area schools have been coming together annually for simple sharing of the joy and inspiration of Music! Once again Worsley is proud to be this year's host! The all grade 1 and 2 classes will be performing Tuesday April 30th, with our junior/intermediate choir and band on Wednesday May 1st. Unfortunately, with all the schools involved there is NO audience allowed on these days. Monday April 29th is Music Monday...national celebration of music day! We would like to invite any parents who can make it to come and share with us from 1:40 until 3:00 as the older grades will be our practice audience. There will be a Spring Concert on Thursday May 2 at 1:40 and 6:00 by all students in grade 1 and 2, plus choir members (grade 3 and up). Theme will be JOY!

DANCE A THON

As a thank you for all the support of our Worsley students and families, this year we are just having a dance, and will not be collecting pledges. If you are able to send a toonie towards the cost of our DJ, it would be appreciated. We will be selling glowstick bracelets again. Order forms to come home soon.

TALENT SHOW

Our Talent Show being held during the day on Friday June 7th should be very entertaining, as lots of applications have been coming in! Please remember all applications must be turned in by April 12th to the office.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Is your child turning four this year? It's time to register for Kindergarten
Our school is now registering children for Kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year. Required registration documents include birthdate documentation, proof of address and record of immunization. Visit www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten for more info.



SCRAP METAL DRIVE

We will be having a scrap metal drive from Saturday April 27th to Sunday May 5th. Times and more details will follow, but in the meantime please try and save anything for our collections. If you need an idea of what they accept now please see their website <http://www.midwestmetals.ca>.

EQAO TESTING

The Grade 3 and 6 students will be participating in EQAO's Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics from May 21 - 31. Please try not to schedule any appointments or trips during those three days. We are looking for scribes during this timeframe. Please let the office know if you would be able to help, even a couple of hours would be appreciated.

KIDZ YOGA

A free KIDZ YOGA SESSION is being offered here at Worsley on Wednesday, April 10 from 3:30-4:30 in the gym. If you are interested in having your child participate, please complete the attached waiver and send into the main office prior to the start of the session.

Please turn off your car while you wait

Parents and guardians are reminded to please turn your engine off when dropping off or picking up your child(ren) from school. Idling cars release exhaust that is harmful to the environment, our health and the health of our students. It's good to get into the habit of turning your car off any time you're stopped and in park for more than 60 seconds. Thank you for doing your part to keep our kids and our environment healthy! For more information to keep you and your family healthy, visit www.simcoemuskokahealth.org or call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-7520.

FROM THE TOWN

Hello! I hope you are enjoying spring and looking forward to Easter! The Town events team is preparing for the 10th annual Easter Eggstravaganza at the RecPlex, and wants everybody to know! Before the event we have colouring contests with some prizes at the event!

April 20th free family event Easter Eggstravaganza is using the entire RecPlex at 1724 Mosley Street inside and outside, open from 10 am to 3 pm, food bank donations appreciated. We have inflatables, games, crafts, treats and BIG prizes! There are some small fees and fundraisers. Cash only. There is no ATM on site.

New this year for the event, we will be utilizing some of the parking lot and the entire area behind RecPlex. The GIANT egg hunt, traditionally in the Oakview Woods area, will be held behind the RecPlex and start at 10:30 am. We have some really cool new features we need your help to create! Thank you for your community support and we look forward to seeing you at the event! Event info at wasagabeach.com/events, or email sec@wasagabeach.com or call 705.429.3321 x 2203

FROM THE Y

YMCAs across Canada are celebrating Healthy Kids Day on Sunday, April 28. It's a national day dedicated to improving the health and well-being of kids. In the spirit of this exciting day, the YMCA of Simcoe/Muskoka shared these tips to help your family get active, eat more nutritiously and build stronger bonds:

- Aim for 60 minutes of moderate, fun, physical activity every day (it can be spread out into periods of 10-15 minutes each). Make sure to include outdoor activities whenever possible. Participate with your kids in regular physical activities. When you're active with your kids, it sends them an important message about healthy living!
- Serve fruits and vegetables at every snack and meal, and make water the primary drink option. Eat at least one meal per day as a family, and involve kids in healthy snack and meal preparation.
- Limit screen time to less than two hours per day and aim to have screens off during meals together. Encourage outdoor play as much as possible and keep TVs and computers out of your child's bedroom.

Join the Healthy Kids Day and learn about healthy habits, connect with other parents and get the whole family active together under one roof. For more information, please visit: www.ymcaofsimcoemuskoka.ca.

FROM THE BOARD

The SCDSB is hosting a series of information sessions for parents and guardians to learn about special education in the SCDSB, and how to support students with special education needs. The next session is Applied Behaviour Analysis (ABA): What is it? on Thursday, April 25 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. SCDSB Education Centre, 1170 Hwy. 26 West in Midhurst. For those who can't attend in person, the session is also offered online through Google Meet. Registration is required. Details are available at www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/special_education.

Parents/guardians and caregivers of elementary and secondary students are invited to join us for a free information session presented by the Simcoe County District School Board's (SCDSB) Parent Involvement Committee. During this session we will discuss the specific attitudes, strategies and factors that promote resilience in our children, youth, families and larger community. Community partners will also be on site to answer your questions. The sessions will be offered at the Orillia Secondary School, Tuesday, April 23 at 7 p.m. and the Bradford District High School, Tuesday, April 30 at 7 p.m.

For more information and to register to attend, please visit www.scdsb.on.ca.

Helping students stay safe online. The Internet is a wonderful research, homework and communication tool for children. It can also present a host of risks. When you talk to your children about online safety, you help prepare them for the dangers they might encounter online. Here are some cyber-safety tips that can help to ensure a positive online experience for your children - put the family computer in a visible space in the home, inform your children about the dangers of sharing personal information online, install software that limits the websites your children can visit, set a clear limit on daily Internet time, keep devices, like smartphones and tablets, out of bedrooms.

REMEMBER SAFE ARRIVAL

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April 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 DAY 4	2 SUB DAY DAY 5	3 PASTA DAY DAY 1	4 DAY 2	5 PIZZA DAY DAY 3	6
	6:30 School Council	<i>Autism Awareness Day</i>	Bus Evacuation Drill (morning)		Band – Grey Kiwanis Festival of Music 12:00 pm Owen Sound Legion	
7 <i>Anti Bullying Week</i>	8 DAY 4	9 SUB DAY DAY 5	10 PASTA DAY DAY 1	11 DAY 2	12 PIZZA DAY DAY 3	13
	Anti Bullying Magic Show K-8 3 presentations	Dental Screening	<i>International Day of Pink</i>	BBQ LUNCH		
14 Book Fair 15-18 open late 16th	15 DAY 4	16 SUB DAY DAY 5	17 PASTA DAY DAY 1	18 PIZZA DAY DAY 2	19	20
		Health & Wellness Evening 5:30-7:00		Dance A Thon	GOOD FRIDAY no school	Town Easter Eggstravaganza
21	22	23 SUB DAY DAY 3	24 PASTA DAY DAY 4	25 DAY 5 BBQ LUNCH	26 PIZZA DAY DAY 1	27
	EASTER MONDAY no school			Grad Photo Retakes and Spring Pics		
28	29 DAY 2	30 SUB DAY DAY 3	May 1 PASTA DAY DAY 4	2 PIZZA DAY DAY 5	3	
	Music Monday	Music Mania Primary	Music Mania Jr & Int	Primary Concert 1:40 & 6:00	PD DAY no school	

YOGA - CLASS WAIVER FORM

REGISTRANT DETAILS:



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

Email: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT PHONE NUMBER: _____

Have you practiced yoga before? YES/NO (Please circle) If YES, for how long? _____

Limitations/Injuries:

Do you have numbness/pain in (circle all that apply): neck shoulders elbows hands wrists hips lower back upper back knees feet other (please note): _____

Waiver

If at any time during the class, you feel discomfort or strain, gently come out of the posture. You may rest at any time during the class. It is important in yoga that you listen to your body, and respect its limits on any given day.

I, the undersigned, understand that yoga is not a substitute for medical attention, examination, diagnosis, or treatment. I should consult a physician prior to beginning any activity program, including yoga. I recognize that it is my responsibility to notify my teacher of any serious illness or injury before every yoga class. I will not perform any postures to the extent of strain or pain. I accept that neither the instructor, nor the hosting facility, is liable for any injury, or damages, to person or property, resulting from the taking of the class. **Those under 18 years of age must have this form signed by a parent or guardian.**

Name (Print) Signature Date

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

****Please note, all of the information on this form is kept confidential.1**