



Wilder Penfield Home & School

December Newsletter



Recent Events / Purchases Supported by Home & School

Teachers' Wish List

Home & School was happy to approve the funding for several special classroom / teaching items totaling a maximum budget of \$2,700. Items include:

- Bescherelles
- Class novels
- School yard stencils
- Supplies for school plays (ex. makeup, costume additions, etc)
- Budget for a production / play presented to the whole school

The money spent is a direct investment in Wilder Penfield classrooms and the students' education.

~ The Home & School Executive Committee ~


What is Home & School?

Home & School is a not-for-profit association comprised of a group of dedicated parent volunteers working towards one common goal: Creating fond memories for Wilder Penfield students!

We organize various fundraising events to provide the school with funds needed to purchase special school material and resources or for special events and field trips.

We are always looking for volunteers and helping hands. If you are interested in volunteering your time, keep an eye out for our "Volunteers Needed" posts on the "Announcements" page in the monthly newsletters as well as our Facebook page. We would love for you join us and add to the Wilder fun!

December Calendar / Important Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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			Parent-Teacher Interviews	Wilder Penfield Professional Day School Closed Daycare Open
				Parent-Teacher Interviews
5	6	7	8	9
		Wilder Wednesday		Grad Holiday Raffle
		 Scholastic Book Fair		DEADLINE
		Mom's Pantry & Wilder Wear Tentative Pick-Up		
12	13	14	15	16
		Wilder Wednesday	In-School Christmas Concert (see dress code)	
		Grad Holiday Raffle Draw		
19	20	21	22	23
		Wilder Wednesday		
Holiday Break! School Resumes on January 9 th				
Happy Holidays!				

Important Dates to Remember

Wilder Wednesdays: Wear **BLUE**, our school colour, or your Wilder Wear apparel to school to encourage school spirit!

Wednesday, December 7th:

➤ Mom's Pantry & Wilder Wear tentative pick-up date at Wilder Penfield School from 3:30PM to 5:30PM.

➤ Scholastic Book Fair

Friday, December 9th: Return your completed Grad Holiday Raffle tickets and money collected to the school.

Wednesday, December 14th: Grad Holiday Raffle draw will take place.

Thursday, December 15th: In-School Christmas Concert. **Dress Code:** Please have students wear a white (or light-coloured) top and black (or navy blue) pants to school. This is an in-school event (without an invited audience), however the concert will be recorded and distributed to parents the week of Dec. 19th after editing (i.e., to respect the choice of parents who asked that photos or videos of their child not be shared on social media or by other means).

Fundraisers

Mom's Pantry / Cookie Dough & Wilder Wear Fundraisers

Mom's Pantry order pick-up, as well as Wilder Wear pick-up, are tentatively set to take place at Wilder Penfield School on **Wednesday, December 7th** between 3:30PM and 5:30PM.



MOM'S PANTRY



Use FlipGive For Your Online Holiday Shopping!

FlipGive is a safe and easy way to raise funds for our school while doing your regular online holiday shopping. All you have to do is **shop online with the retail stores you already love** (ex. Home Depot, Walmart, Amazon, Indigo, Old Navy, Esso, Loblaws, and so much more) and a **percentage of your purchase will be returned to Wilder Penfield's Home & School. It's that simple!**

Join FlipGive at www.flipgive.com and enter the **Team Code KWGC4K**. Spread the word to family and friends!

FlipGive

Home & School Lunches

We are happy to announce that pizza lunches will be back again this year!

More details will be sent out once we have secured our dates and **volunteers for the distribution of the lunches**. If you are interested in volunteering for lunch distribution, please **refer to our "Volunteers Needed" post under the "Announcements" section**.

Additional lunches may become available providing volunteer availability for organizing/running the fundraiser, coordinating with the restaurant and distributing the lunches. If you are interested in running a school lunch, please contact us at wphomeandschool@gmail.com.



Grad Raffle

The Grad Holiday Raffle is back! With over 40 prizes to be raffled off, be sure to sell as many tickets as you can. If you need more tickets, reach out to wilder.grad.committee.2023@gmail.com.

The **deadline** to return all completed tickets sold and money collected to the school is **Friday, December 9th**.

The draw will take place on Wednesday, December 14th.

On behalf of the 2023 Graduating Class, we thank you in advance for your support!

**FUNDRAISER
RAFFLE**

Donations Corner

Some of our Wilder teachers are looking to spruce up their classrooms with better ambient lighting for their students.

If you have **table lamps and / or floor lamps** that you are looking to donate, please communicate with Home & School via Facebook messenger or via email at wphomeandschool@gmail.com.



Announcements

Volunteers Needed!!!

Home & School is currently looking for volunteers for the following fundraisers / events:

➤ Holiday Breakfast

- Home & School would love to offer the students a festive holiday breakfast, but ***we cannot do it without your help!*** A date has not been set as this event depends on the availability of volunteers. Please communicate with Home & School via Facebook messenger or contact us at wphomeandschool@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer with this event. Your availability will help us in confirming a date.

➤ Scholastics Book Fair

- When: Tentative date of Wednesday, December 7th. Volunteer SIGN UP GENIUS to come.

➤ The organization and distribution of lunches.

- When: any weekday from 11:45AM to 12:30PM. Exact dates for lunches to be determined based on volunteer availability. If interested, contact us at wphomeandschool@gmail.com.

➤ Running additional school lunches.

- Tasks include running the fundraiser as well as communicating and coordinating with the restaurant. Exact dates for lunches to be determined based on volunteer availability. If interested, contact wphomeandschool@gmail.com.

*These events are **not possible without our volunteers!***

Important Message For Volunteers

Please note that all volunteers must bring 2 pieces of ID as well as the completed juridical background check form to the school office. This background check expires after 3 years and must be renewed if you wish to continue to volunteer. If you need a copy of the form, please contact Home & School via email and we will share the form with you. Note that it can take up to 30 days before a person is cleared to volunteer at the school. So, if you are interested in volunteering in any of the upcoming events, please make sure to bring the completed juridical form to the school office ASAP.



Next Home & School Meeting

Please note that Home & School's **December meeting has been cancelled**. Our next Home & School meeting will be held in February.



Home & School Membership

- Do you want to be a part of making your child(ren)'s years at Wilder Penfield **fun and memorable**?
- Do you want to **stay informed** about upcoming school activities?
- Do you want to **lend support** in making events a success?
- Do you want to be more involved in **fundraising** and deciding **what the money goes towards**?

It's never too late to become a member of our Home & School team!!!

If you would like to become a member or have any inquiries, please contact us at: [**wphomeandschool@gmail.com**](mailto:wphomeandschool@gmail.com).



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Don't forget to check out our website [**www.wilderpenfieldhands.com**](http://www.wilderpenfieldhands.com) and follow our Facebook page at [**https://www.facebook.com/WPHands/**](https://www.facebook.com/WPHands/) for more details about upcoming events and to stay connected!