

Wilder Penfield Home & School

December Newsletter



Recent Events Supported by Home & School

Supporting Our Teachers During the Strike

Home & School was happy to offer coffee, tea, baked goods and treats to our Wilder staff during the week of to express our gratitude for their unwavering commitment to our students and the entire school community. To all of the teachers, we support you!



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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		Wilder Wednesday	Grad Holiday Raffle	
		Holiday Breakfast Subcommittee Meeting	■ SCHOLASTIC	STRIKE School and daycare closed
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Important Dates to Remember

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

Wednesday, December 6:

- Home & School Subcommittee Meeting for the Holiday Breakfast at <u>7PM in the</u> <u>school library</u>.
- Dieleman orders to be picked up at the school from 4PM to 6PM. <u>Please walk</u> around to the back of the school to the gym doors for pick up.

Thursday, December 7:

- DEADLINE to return your completed Grad Holiday Raffle tickets and collected money to the school.
- Scholastic Book Fair (see "Fundraisers" section for more details).

Monday, December 11: Grad Holiday Raffle draw will take place.

<u>Week of December 11:</u> Mom's Pantry pickup date and time to be announced.

Friday, December 13: Home & School pizza

Wednesday, December 20: Home & School Holiday Breakfast.

Fundraisers

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

Grad Holiday Raffle

Why buy your holiday gifts when you can win them?

With several FANTASTIC prizes to be raffled off, be sure to sell as many tickets as you can. The **deadline** to return all completed tickets sold and money collected to the school is **Thursday**, **December 7th**.

The draw will take place on Monday, December 11th.

On behalf of the 2024 Graduating Class, we thank you in advance for your support!



Scholastic Book Fair

Home & School is excited to bring back the Scholastic Book Fair!

This year we will be hosting the book fair on **Thursday**, **December 7**th in the school library. Students will be attending the book fair during the day and can make purchases at that time and/or parents are welcome to visit the book fair from 3:45PM to 7PM to shop.

Please note that an interac machine will be available for debit and credit card purchases.



Home & School Lunches

As a reminder, here are the upcoming pizza lunch dates. Please note that the December date has been modified due to the impending strike:

- Friday, December 15th
- Wednesday, January 17th



Announcements

Volunteers Needed!!!

Please note that all school volunteers, whether volunteering within a classroom or for a Home & School event occurring during school hours on school property, must bring 2 pieces of ID as well as the completed juridical form to the school office. This background check expires after 3 years and must be renewed if you wish to continue to volunteer. Note that it can take up to 30 days before a person is cleared to volunteer at the school.

Home & School events and fundraisers are **not possible** without the support of VOLUNTEERS! Whether it's helping onsite at the event, or behind the scenes with planning, or even simply informing us of a service/contact you can provide, everything helps!

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

> The distribution of pizza lunches.

When: Friday December 15th and/or Wednesday January 17th from approximately noon to 12:45PM. If you are interested and available to help distribute the lunches, please contact us at wphomeandschool@gmail.com.

Holiday Breakfast

When: Wednesday, December 20th. If you are interested and available to help at the Holiday Breakfast or if you have any donations available to contribute to the breakfast, please contact us at wphomeandschool@gmail.com. Event volunteer SIGN UP GENIUS will be shared closer to the event.



Home & School Membership

- Do you want to be a part of making your child(ren)'s year at Wilder Penfield fun and memorable?
- 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?
- Do you want to stay informed about upcoming school activities?

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.



Next Home & School Meeting

To all our current and new families, please note that a Holiday Breakfast/Bingo subcommittee meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 6th at 7 PM in the school library.

We look forward to seeing you there!



For all inquiries, e-mail us at wphomeandschool@gmail.com

Don't forget to check out our website www.wilderpenfieldhands.com and follow our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/WPHandS/ for more details about upcoming events and to stay connected!