



Wilder Penfield Home & School February Newsletter



Recent Events / Purchases Supported by Home & School

- "What If" production/play
- Scholastics Book Fair

The Scholastics Book Fair resulted in more than \$6,000 worth of sales! Not only did the purchases result in many happy readers with books being brought home or gifted to another, but these purchases also led to a direct investment into the school classrooms. Yes, that's right! Your purchases **raised approximately \$3,000 in Scholastics money**, which will be equally divided amongst the teachers to be used towards the purchase of books and material for their classrooms. On behalf of the teachers and the students, *THANK YOU!*

- Holiday Breakfast

Students, teachers, staff and parents alike all agree – Home & School's 1st Annual Holiday Breakfast was an absolute success!!! Home & School would like to give a special **shout out to all of our volunteers for this event** – without you, this event would not have been the success it was!

In fact, Home & School felt that the school spirit demonstrated by the students at the Holiday Breakfast really stole a **"PIZZA OUR HEARTS"** so Home & School has decided to provide the entire school a **free Pizza Lunch on Valentine's Day, February 14th!** Let's keep the Wilder school spirit going! (*More details to be communicated via email in the coming weeks*).

~ 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!

February Calendar / Important Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1 Wilder Wednesday	2	3 LBPSB Professional Day School Closed Daycare Open
6	7 Home & School Meeting	8 Wilder Wednesday	9	10
13 LBPSB Professional Day School Closed Daycare Open	14 "Pizza Our Hearts" H & S Pizza Lunch	15 Wilder Wednesday	16	17
20	21 Governing Board Meeting 6:15PM – online	22 Wilder Wednesday	23	24
27 Term 2 Reports Issued	28			

Important Dates to Remember

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

Tuesday, February 7th: Home & School meeting at 7PM in the school library.

Tuesday, February 14th: Home & School's "Pizza Our Hearts" Pizza Lunch (Home & School will be providing a free pizza lunch to the entire school. More details to be communicated via email in the coming weeks).

Tuesday, February 21st: Governing Board Meeting at 6:15PM online.

Fundraisers

Staff Appreciation Week

♥ Let's Show Our Staff Some Love ♥

Wilder Penfield's Staff Appreciation Week will take place the week of **March 13th to March 17th**.

We will be collecting **monetary donations** from the parents of the Wilder community so that we can make this week special and memorable for our incredible Wilder Penfield staff.

♥ Let's show our staff some LOVE ♥ **Monetary donations will be collected from Valentine's Day, February 14th, until February 24th**. Please help out in whatever means possible and know that your contribution will be appreciated by all!

For parents that may have other means of donating (ex. work for a restaurant willing to donate food items, work as a massage therapist and willing to donate time during lunch hour to the teachers, etc.), please contact us via our Facebook page or by email at wphomeandschool@gmail.com



Grad Raffle Update

The 2023 Graduating Class and Grad Committee would like to thank everyone who supported this year's Holiday Raffle by selling tickets, purchasing tickets or simply spreading the word. With your support, approximately **\$5,700 was raised!**



Donations Corner – Can I Get a Watt Watt?

Did you know that *classroom lighting* can impact both an individual's mood and ability to concentrate? Have you noticed that some teacher's line the walls or ceilings of their classroom with string lights? Now you know why! This allows the teachers to turn off the fluorescent ceiling lights and provide the classroom with more ambient lighting.

Can I get a watt watt!



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. Your donation could help some of our Wilder teachers spruce up their classrooms with better ambient lighting for their students.

Announcements

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 pick up a form at the school office.** 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 pick up and return the completed juridical form to the school office ASAP.



Next Home & School Meeting

To all our current and new families, our **next meeting will be held on Tuesday February 7th at 7 PM in the school library.** We look forward to seeing you there!



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.**



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!