



Wilder Penfield Home & School

October Newsletter



Special Message from Home & School

Home & School would like to welcome all the students, old and new, to Wilder Penfield for another memorable and fun year!



Similar to last year, Home & School will be sharing a **monthly newsletter** with Wilder families to help keep everyone informed on important upcoming dates and events as well as special Home & School announcements. In addition to our monthly newsletters, you can stay up-to-date on important dates and announcements by checking out our website (www.wilderpenfieldhands.com) and by following our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/WPHandS/>).

Wishing the entire Wilder community a fun and memorable 2022-2023 school year!

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!

October Calendar / Important Dates

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 LBPSB Professional Day School Closed Daycare Open	4 Home & School Meeting 	5 Wilder Wednesday	6	7
10 Thanksgiving School & Daycare Closed	11	12 Wilder Wednesday	15 Interim Reports Issued	14 Teachers' Convention School & Daycare Closed Wilder Wear DEADLINE
17	18 Governing Board Meeting 	19 Wilder Wednesday	20	21
24	25	26 Wilder Wednesday	27	28 MONSTER MASH
31 Halloween 				

Important Dates to Remember

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

Tuesday, October 4: Home & School Meeting at 7PM in the school library.

Friday, October 14: **DEADLINE** for Wilder Wear orders.

Tuesday, October 18: Governing Board Meeting at 6:15PM in the school library.

Friday, October 28: Monster Mash Dance Party (more details and **VOLUNTEER SIGN UP GENIUS** to come later this month).

Fundraisers

Wilder Wear Fundraising Campaign



It's time to **stock up on your Wilder Wear!!!**

This year, you will once again have the chance to order t-shirts, hoodies (zipper and pullover available), sweatpants and/or winter toques for the whole family. Note that t-shirts, hoodies and sweatpants will be available for purchase in **BLACK**, **GREY** and our school colour **BLUE**

Once again this year, **Wilder Wear orders will be completed strictly online**. Please visit our website (wilderpenfieldhands.com) by **Friday, October 14th** to place your order!

Not only does this fundraiser directly help the school and the students of Wilder Penfield, but it also helps to promote school spirit amongst our Wilder community!

Mabel's Labels

Are you tired of your child's clothing or water bottles ending up in the Lost & Found at school?

Home & School has teamed up with Mabel's Labels to help you avoid the Lost & Found!

Custom labels include:

- Stick-on clothing labels
- Name stickers
- Shoe stickers
- Bag tags

An added bonus is that a **percentage of each sale is returned back to Wilder Penfield's Home & School**, so your purchase will directly benefit your child at school by contributing to fun activities and events held by Home & School.

Login to www.mabelsfundraising.com and type "Wilder" in the search box to find our campaign and place your order!



FlipGive

FlipGive is a safe and easy way to raise funds for our school while doing your regular online 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.



Recent Events Supported by Home & School

- Home & School **JUMPED** at the chance to provide the inflatables that were enjoyed by the students during **Wilder Welcome!**
- Update on **kindergarten play structure**.
 - In 2021, with the participation of our Wilder community, **Home & School was able to raise 20,000\$** to be used towards a new Kindergarten play structure.
 - We are happy to announce that the **\$50,000 grant to fund the play structure was approved** for Wilder Penfield! In addition, the city of DDO is matching the amount raised by Home & School.
 - Installation is currently expected to take place and be completed in **Spring 2023**.

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. A digital copy of the juridical form will be sent out to all Home & School members via email. If you are not currently a Home & School member but would like to volunteer, please contact us 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, please make sure to bring the completed juridical form to the school office ASAP.

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

- **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.
- **The Monster Mash school dance.**
 - When: evening of Friday, October 28th (volunteer SIGN UP GENIUS to come).
- **Scholastics Book Fair**
 - When: End of November / beginning of December (exact date to be determined, volunteer SIGN UP GENIUS to come).

These events are not possible without our volunteers!



Next Home & School Meeting

We are excited to welcome you all back to in-person Home & School meetings!

To all our current and new families, please note that Home & School's next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, November 8th at 7 PM in the school library.**

We look forward to seeing many new and familiar faces 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**](mailto:wphomeandschool@gmail.com).



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