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Friday, December 22, 2017

J. Whitfield, Principal A. Mani, Vice-Principal

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Calendar

- Pizza Lunch, Friday,
   December 22
- Winter Break, December 25-January 5
- Pizza Lunch, Friday, January 12
- Grade 8 Grad Trip Info Night, January 16, 6:00
- PA Day, Friday, January
- Primary Concert,
   Wednesday, January 24,
   6:00 PM
- Junior/Intermediate Concert, Thursday, January 25, 6:00 PM
- Lice Check, Thursday, January 25
- Pizza Lunch, Friday, January 26th

Congratulations to our Kindness and Caring Award winners for the month of December.



We wish all our Humewood families a safe and fun holiday! School reopens on Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018.





### **Student E-mail Accounts**

Did you know that the Toronto District School Board is using Google Apps For Education throughout the system? As part of this initiative all students in the TDSB have a student "gmail" address. These e-mail addresses are linked to student Google accounts and are activated when teachers want students to access their Google Drives for school purposes including a Google classroom. Many classrooms use this collaborative technology to work on assignments, presentations and also to submit work for assessment. If you have questions about student e-mail accounts or Google accounts please contact your child's teacher or Ms. Whitfield or Mr. Mani for more information.

#### **Other Updates**

Students are encouraged to play outdoors in all weather conditions in a safe and fun way! Part of the OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) initiative at Humewood means that students may throw snow as part of outdoor play and must be mindful of where they are throwing....below the shoulders and to make sure that the play is fun for EVERYONE involved. So far students have been very respectful and are enjoying the snow!

We have a new Head Caretaker, his name is Stanley Apubioso! We would like to welcome Stanley as we gets used to his new role at Humewood!

The New Year will bring the hockey season to Humewood – we are excited about our Junior Hockey team and also looking forward to our Intermediate Ball Hockey team – new this year!

#### **Humewood News**

On December 13<sup>th</sup> 40 of our girls in grade 6, 7 and 8 took part in the first ever Hackergals Hackathon. Over 3 000 girls from across the country participated in a "hacking" challenge. The girls worked from 9:15 to 3:25 to write code that told a story of "Holiday Cheer". We are proud to support and encourage all young women in the field of technology!



Congratulations to our First Lego League robotics teams who competed in a tournament at John Polyani CI on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Thanks to team mentors, Matthew and Rebecca Karton and coach Mme. Riehle!



#### Volunteers Needed for Snowball 2018!

Humewood's premiere, parent-only, fundraising event is just around the corner. However, the 5th annual Snowball can't run without help from volunteers like you! Should you wish to get involved with planning the Snowball, please email Cheryl at <a href="mailto:cheryl.batty@utoronto.ca">cheryl.batty@utoronto.ca</a>. The first planning meeting will take place in early December.

#### Wanted!

Please visit the 'Volunteer Hub' on the Humewood Council website <a href="http://humewoodcouncil.com/">http://humewoodcouncil.com/</a> to find out about all the volunteer opportunities for the 2017/18 school year. From pizza lunches to other fundraisers, please sign up anytime!

### **Choices for Grade 9 Information Nights**

**High School Information Nights** 

To help you make an informed decision when choosing a high school, TDSB schools host information nights for parents and grade 8 students each year between October and January. Learn everything you need to know about our incredible variety of schools, programs and courses. The dates and times for all High School Information Nights are available online at <a href="http://www.tdsb.on.ca/HighSchool/GoingtoHighSchool/OpenHousesandInformationNights.asp">http://www.tdsb.on.ca/HighSchool/GoingtoHighSchool/OpenHousesandInformationNights.asp</a>.

# HUMEWOOD COMMUNITY SCHOOL SNOWBALL 2018



Dear Humewood Families,

Our 5<sup>th</sup> annual Snowball is approaching on Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018. This year we will be hosting an 80s throwback theme!

This event is the Premier Adult Social Night of the year and also one of our biggest fundraising events for the school. The focus of our fundraising efforts this year is to provide

- updated technology resources
- updated sports equipment
- new band instruments

For this year's fundraising efforts, we have a target in place: \$15,000. Together with help from all of our Humewood Families we can achieve this goal.

Here are some ways you can help:

- General & targeted sponsorship
- Monetary donations
- Silent auction items
- gift certificates for: experiences, dining, relaxation, passes to family friendly events,
- creative art work,
- music memorabilia,
- sports memorabilia.
- A themed basket: e.g. wine lovers, baby gifts, children's gifts, coffee lovers, date night, family game night etc.
- Individual items such as a bottle of wine, new clothing item, new jewelry etc.

This is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to a very important initiative for our school while promoting your business or service directly to a local customer base. Please contact Cheryl Batty <a href="mailto:cheryl.batty@utoronto.ca">cheryl.batty@utoronto.ca</a>, 416 530 1707 if you are able to help support Snowball 2018 or if you have any questions. Thank you for your consideration and continued support of our wonderful students and school!

Sincerely, Cheryl Batty

Co-Chair Snowball 2018



# **Joint Ward Forum**

with TDSB Director of Education - Dr John Malloy

# Tuesday, January 23, 2018

Deer Park Jr/Sr PS, 23 Ferndale Ave 7:00-9:00



## Join us!

Come and chat with Director John Malloy – he will discuss the TDSB's accomplishments, challenges and opportunities.

He will listen to your comments and answer your questions.



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