

Whitney Word



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school dates for **may**

30 Monday
EQAQ Starts for Grade 3 and Grade 6

school dates for **june**

8 Wednesday
Rerun @ Home Alone Workshop

9 Thursday
Track and Field Conference Finals

9 Thursday, 2:30 Assembly
SPA Day

9 Thursday
Bike Rodeo (G1 – G3)

10 Friday
PA Day

14 Tuesday, 6:30pm
Whitney School Council AGM

20 Monday
Awards Assembly

27 Monday
Awards Assembly, Grades 1-5

20 Monday
Grade 6 Graduation

from the principal



Calling all Volunteers! It's that time of year again, when the Whitney staff want to show their appreciation to all of the parent volunteers that have helped us make the year run smoothly by hosting a Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. All volunteers are welcome, whether you helped out on a class trip, coached a basketball game or helped organize Scholastics in the classroom.

Please join us on **Wednesday June 15th** at 8:15am out in the kindergarten playground and let us show you our appreciation and our thanks for making this year so successful! See you there!

The Whitney Staff

Whitney School Council Annual General Meeting

Tuesday, June 14, 2016
6:30-7:30pm in the Library

We welcome the participation and input of all parents at every WSC meeting. A minimum of 20 parents is required for any vote to pass.

We respectfully request that all class Parents attend General Meetings, held four times during the school year. Class Parents serve as a vital conduit of news and information for many Whitney parents. The attendance of a representative from every class in the school will benefit the parent community as a whole.

Merik Koksals and Marcia Moffat

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WSC February 23, 2016 Meeting Minutes



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school
council

Executive Slate

Co-Chairs: Merik Koksals & Marcia Moffat
Vice Chairs: Vicky Resznetnik, Jill Spidle & Jane Vokes
Treasurer: Elizabeth Knox
Co-Secretaries: Ashley Rutledge & Alexis Wise
Whitney Word Editor: Martha McClew
Technology Chairs: Andrew Pollock & Paul Pelton
General Liaisons:
Lisa Clark, Grace Asemota & Mistine Lauzon
Principal: Deborah Stern

DRAFT Agenda

Welcome *Marcia Moffat*

Motions to Approve Agenda
& Past Meeting Minutes (February 23 2016) *Marcia Moffat*

Treasurer's Report
YTD 2015/2016 Income Statement and Financial Position
Elizabeth Knox

Chairs' Report
Merik Koksals and Marcia Moffat

Principal's Report
Deborah Stern

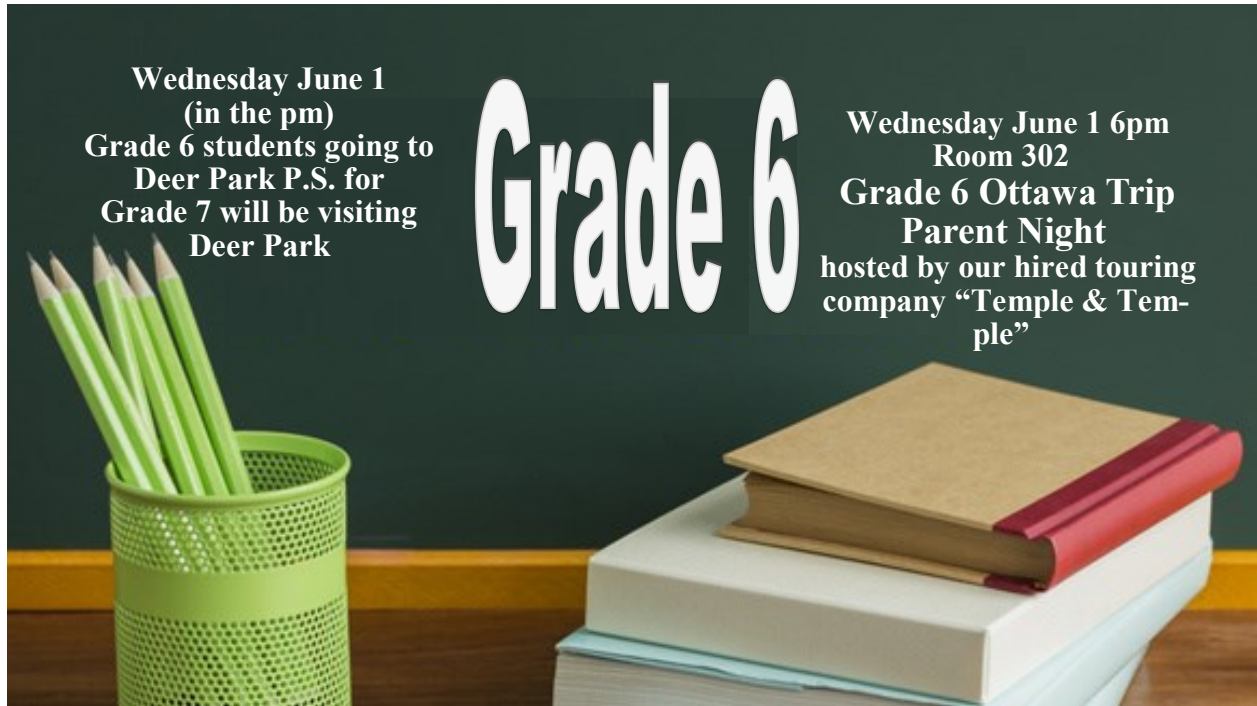
Other Business

Motion to Adjourn
Marcia Moffat and Merik Koksals

Wednesday June 1
(in the pm)
Grade 6 students going to
Deer Park P.S. for
Grade 7 will be visiting
Deer Park

Grade 6

Wednesday June 1 6pm
Room 302
Grade 6 Ottawa Trip
Parent Night
hosted by our hired touring
company "Temple & Tem-
ple"



Bike Rodeo 2016

On **Thursday June 9th** from 8:30-11:30am, there will be a BIKE RODEO here at the school – this event is for the grade 1-3 students only!

The Toronto Police Service will be running this event and will be teaching the children all about bike safety, biking skills etc. please make sure your child brings his/her bike to school (in good working order) on this day.

As well, ALL students who are participating MUST have a helmet in order to participate. Training wheels are acceptable; bike pumps will be on site. We are all asking for 2-3 parent volunteers from each class to help us out. Please let your child's teacher know if you are able to help us out on this morning

The grade 6 graduating class will be selling freezies on this day! So, bring your loonies and toonies!!!

**Before you think
you won't need
a helmet today,
have a word
with yourself.**

THE COMMUNITY AGAINST
preventable
INJURIES

Parachute
PREVENTING INJURIES. SAVING LIVES.

BRAINWAVES PRESENTATIONS **Parachute Canada**

In partnership with Parachute Canada, we are pleased to inform you that during the first few weeks of June, all our grade 4, 5 and 6 students will have the amazing opportunity to have a presentation from Parachute Canada called "Brainwaves."

What is Parachute Brain Waves? Brain Waves is a free, informative and fun half-day neuroscience presentation for students in grades 4 to 6. Trained volunteers with an understanding and passion for injury prevention bring the hands-on program, which includes activity booklets, helmet fitting tips, and Jello Brains, to classrooms cross-Canada.

Students learn about different parts of the brain, basic neuroscience vocabulary, and how and why it's important to protect their brain and spinal cord. By bringing this program into the classroom, teachers are giving their students a new awareness of the brain and spinal cord, and providing them with simple strategies to prevent injury.

800 plus volunteers and community partners from across the country teach these presentations to our students. Learn more [here](#).

LAST SPA DAY
OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
Thursday June 9th
ASSEMBLY @ 2:30pm

On Thursday June 9th, let's celebrate with everything that's great about Whitney P.S. Show your Whitney spirit by wearing blue and yellow! We will be handing out "integrity" certificates! Our peer mentors and SK students will be presenting our final theme of the school year "Perseverance".



**Do's and Don'ts
Sunscreens
& Sunburns**

The sun is high in the sky and we're looking at some hot and sunny weather over the next three weeks!

June is a time when the school heats up and students spend more time outside to cool off, so we're asking parents to please send students to school with sunscreen on. Also, we are asking parents to keep sunscreen in your child's back-pack so they can apply a second layer, if needed throughout the day.

Thank you!

Debbie Stern



WHITNEY MAIN EVENT

Thank you again to everyone who joined us for a super fun evening at the Toronto Lawn and Tennis Club on Thursday, May 5th!

We have the final numbers and are happy to report that the event was a big success financially (as well as socially, of course!).

We raised net **\$33,600**. These funds, together with the Annual Giving campaign, Pizza Lunches and Harvest Fest, will enable us to continue supporting important educational enhancements for Whitney students for the upcoming 2016/17 school year. Here is a breakdown of funds raised at the Main Event:

Ticket Sales	\$20,500
Donations	\$ 1,200
Silent Auction	\$22,400
Balloon-Pop	\$ 2,300
Costs (Venue & Other)	-\$12,800
Net Amount Raised	\$33,600

Once again, we would like extend a BIG THANKS to all our donors and volunteers.

Thank you!
The Whitney School Council

Grade 6 Passion Project

My name is **Ellen Gilday**. I am working to raise awareness about child labour and what we can do to fight against it.



DO NOT BUY FROM:

Shopping guide to prevent using child labour.

- Sears
- Joe Fresh
- Walmart
- Disney Toys
- Gap
- La Senza
- H&M
- Victoria's Secret

Help Stop Child Labour



168 million children from ages 3-16 work in hazardous work sites illegally for different companies from carpet factories to shoes and food companies.

Help me by raising awareness about child labour.

HELP THE FIGHT

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sports. house leagues. wildcats

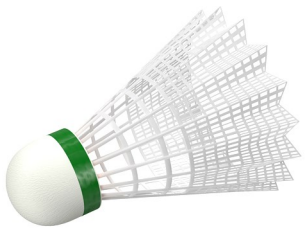


Ultimate Frisbee Grade 6 Congratulations to the grade 6 ultimate team on an AMAZING season! After losing their opening two games against OOOPS and West Prep, the team jumped back on the field this week for the rematches. The game against West Prep went back and forth, and in the end, our mighty Wildcats came away with a 4-3 victory! The rematch against OOOPS was one for the history books. The first half went back and forth and when the whistle blew the score was 3-3. The second half will go down in history as one of the most exciting halves in ultimate frisbee history! The game went back and forth for 20 minutes, with neither team scoring a point. In ultimate, substitutions can only be made once a point is scored or if there is an injury. This meant, that the 7 boys and girls from Whitney and OOOPS ran and ran and ran for 20 solid minutes (I imagine they all slept well that night!). Unfortunately OOOPS finally caught the disc in the end zone to earn the victory, and knocked our crew out of the playoffs. Thank you for an amazing season, and thank you to all of the parents and families who supported the team throughout! Look for a parent vs. student game in the not too distant future!



Ultimate Frisbee Grade 5 The boys and girls on the grade 4/5 ultimate team have continued to develop their skills throughout the season. The team battled hard against a stellar squad from West Prep, and even though they came up just short in the end, the improvement from all of the players was evident to everyone watching! The team has one last game this season, on Wednesday, over at Cedarvale. Good luck team!

Grade 6 Badminton Congratulations to the members of the grade 6 Whitney badminton team who made history last week. It was the first time ever that a grade 6 badminton team from Whitney advanced all the way to the conference finals! Despite coming up just a little short to a very strong team from Leslieville, it was an incredible season and all of the players should be extremely proud of their accomplishments.



Girls Soccer Congratulations to the members of the girls soccer team who finished up an amazing regular season. The girls finished with an impressive 2-0-2 record. The highlights of the season came against Frankland, as they battled back from a 1-0 deficit, to score late in the second half, and finished the game with a 1-1 tie! The girls then traveled to Norway and put on a clinic, passing and shooting with the accuracy of Real Madrid. The girls defeated Norway 6-0. Thank you to all of the girls for an outstanding season, and look out parents, the girls are ready to challenge you to a game soon!

Boys Soccer Congratulations to the members of the boys soccer team on a terrific regular season. The boys won their opening match 2-1 versus a very strong squad from Ossington Old Orchard. They jumped back on the pitch a week later and battled to a 1-1 tie with Williamson Road. This marks the end of their regular season, and we will wait to hear if they are playoff bound. Cross your fingers!

