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school dates for **march**

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Tuesday, 8am **Battle of the Books Begins**

Monday, 8am

Choir Practice

school dates for **2**

3	Monday, 8am Choir Practice
5	Wednesday, 6:30pm, Library Whitney School Council Special Spending
6	Thursday, 2:30pm (All Welcome!) Arts Movement Performance
7	Friday, 10:30am SPA Day Assembly, Ms Hargraves Gr 1
10	Monday, 8am Choir Practice CANCELLED
14	Friday Good Friday
17	Monday Easter Monday
20	Thursday, 7pm Whitney Talent Show, Gr 4-6
27	Thursday, 5:30pm

Family Math Night **Pizza Dinner for All



Please join us for our next SPA Assembly on Friday April 7th, 10:30 where the Character trait is "Co -operation". The assembly will be led by Ms. Hargrave's Grade 1 class (Room 202). It's crazy hat and hair day!

The rehearsals are still going on for the upcoming

"Whitney's Got Talent" and they are very impressive! Thanks to all of the students who tried out. We are getting very excited!

Debbie Stern

Want to report a student absence? Want to know when the deadline is? Need a copy of a field trip form? Save yourself a call and program allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca in your smartphone and email Allison in the office for any of your Whitney School needs.

SPA Day - Co Operation



We are so excited to announce that we have 16 teams signed up for Battle of the Books! The children have decided on some creative and funny team names and are reading up a storm. Our brilliant BOB parent volunteers have been working hard to read all of the books and compile their questions in time for the tournament this year.

On Tuesday, March 28th at 8am the Battle of the Books commences. A schedule is posted outside the school office, outside the computer lab, and outside the French room (305). An announcement was made Thursday morning regarding the first six teams to play Wednesday morning at 8am. Announcements will continue to be made daily for the next day's battles. All battles unless otherwise specified start at 8am. Matches are taking place in the library, the computer lab and the French room (305).

The lineup for Tuesday, March 28th at 8am will be as follows:



All teams are to meet in the library first. Please arrive 5 minutes early so that we can review the rules and get started promptly.

Kathy Clarke, Jeffrey Winter and The BOB Team of Volunteers



Arts Movement with Kharen Westbye

Back by popular demand, Kharen Westbye will be working with all Whitney students, putting together a showcase for Thursday April 6th at 2:30 in the afternoon. Students will learn their routines in three classes before stepping on stage!



Dear Whitney Families,

We invite you to a special general meeting of the Whitney School Council on Wednesday, April 5, 2017, in the Whitney Library, at which time 10 motions will be proposed with respect to spending a portion of the excess funds the Council currently has in its bank account.

Under Canada Revenue Agency rules for non-profit charitable entities, reserves are to be spent within a finite period of time (1 to 2 years). As of January 31st, our reserves stand at \$53,000 and we propose to spend about 60% of this on curriculum, technology and facility enhancements. These improvements are designed to be balanced across all grades and they will be accompanied by enhancements funded by the TDSB.

We encourage you to join us on April 5th to discuss the items and vote in person. For those who cannot attend in person, we have proxy voting available. The details on 10 motions and proxy vote instructions are included in the attached.

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions at <u>whitneyschoolcouncil@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to seeing you on April 5th!

Whitney School Council



April 5 Spending Vote, Motions, Proxy Vote

Call for Gardeners

Do you have a 'green thumb' or any interest in gardening? We are looking for parent volunteers to help clean-up and cultivate the kindergarten front garden with Tom and Mr. Conway. If you have any interest, please email <u>here</u>.



Coding Team Mondays 11:45 - 12:30

Eco Team

Every other week on Thursdays (March 23, April 6, April 20, etc.) 12 - 12:30

Yearbook Team Fridays 12 - 12:30



The Main Event is the school's most important fundraiser of the year! The money is raised through ticket sales and a silent auction. This money then goes to support the many program enhancements that our kids benefit from throughout the year.

The evening is also a wonderful neighbourhood communityfocused event where you will have a chance to see old friends and meet some new ones.

The party of the year is just around the corner!

Stay tuned for more!

We look forward to seeing you there...

- The Whitney School Council

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Division 3 Boys Basketball



The members of the division 3 boys basketball team will be putting all of their hard work to use, as they travel to Earl Beatty Public School on Wednesday March 29th. Good luck and have fun boys!

Grade 4/5 Badminton

The members of the grade 4/5 badminton teams will be competing in a one day tournament on Friday March 31st at Palmerston Public School. Good luck to all of the boys and girls!





Monday 27— Friday 31

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
27	28	29	30	31
3:30 Division 3 Boys Basketball Practice	7:30 Grade 4/5 Badminton Prac- tice	7:30 Grade 6 Bad- minton Practice	Sleep in!	7:30 Coed Vol- leyball Practice
		Division 3 Boys Bas- ketball Tournament @ Earl Beatty		Grade 4/5 Bad- minton Tourna- ment @ Palmer- ston

Monday 3 — Friday 7

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