MACKIE MOMENTS - February-Fairness

For the Week of February 26, 2024

Monday 26 Day 3

SCHOOLCASHONLINE: George P. Mackie is moving towards being a cash free school this year. If you need any assistance, please bring your device to the office and we will assist in registering you for SchoolCashOnline. Thank you! **SchoolCashOnline Brochure.pdf**

Tuesday 20 **Day 4**

EMA-New Athletics Team Submitted: A notice will be sent by email to parents/guardians that a "*New Athletics Team Submitted*". You will need to log in Excursion Management Application (EMA) and go to the "*Participation*" tab to complete a Permission/Participation Form for your child. If you need assistance, please contact the office. Thank you!

Wednesday 21 **Day 5**

SCHOOL ON TIME: We know that mornings are busy, this is a very friendly reminder that school begins at **8:40 a.m.** Any late students please enter at **Door #2** up until **8:50 a.m.** After this time, please use the front main door to enter the school.

Thursday 22 **Day 1**

SCHOOL PICK-UP/DROP-OFF: Parents/Caregivers, we respectfully ask that you take extra care when picking up and dropping off your children. Our school's parking lot is closed to traffic between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Heathfield and Brinloor may be used to park vehicles and walk children to their line-ups. We kindly ask that our neighbour's driveways are not blocked and that extra patience is taken when children and parents are walking amongst vehicles. We thank you for your patience and support! Note: students being dropped off for reasons like morning practices, or when meeting with their teacher's, we kindly request that students enter through the main door and report to the school's office and then to the teacher in charge. We thank you again for your support.

Friday 23 Day 2

SCHOOL VISITORS: We kindly ask that if you are visiting Mackie that you enter through the Main school door. All visitors are to report to the main office where Mr. Kyriazis, Ms. Lew or a staff member can assist you. We also kindly request that volunteers please use the sign-in/sign-out binder located at the main office. We thank you for your consideration and support!

DOGS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY: Dogs are **not permitted** on school property.

WINTER: Hello Winter! This is just a reminder to please dress your child appropriately for the weather - coat, snow pants, boots, hat, scarf and mittens (2 pairs), extra socks and pant bottoms. Thank you!

WINTER WELL-BING GUIDE: Please outreach the <u>2023-2024 Winter Well-Being Guide</u> which is filled with activities, games, wellness tips, identity affirming resources and community agencies to support wellness for all students, caregivers/guardians, families, and school communities over the winter months!

MACKIE SNACKIE:

Monday - grapes, cheese and crackers
Tuesday - veggies, yogurt and rice cakes
Wednesday - watermelon, cheese and crackers
Thursday - veggies, yogurt and ww pretzel sticks
Friday - vegetable samosas, cheese and veggies

The Mackie Snackie forms were sent home earlier this week, please complete and return the forms as soon as possible. Also, if you are able to send a donation please send a cheque or donate online at Donate & Support Student Success - TFSS. Thank you!

SCHOOL SPORTS/CLUBS:

Mackie in Motion - every Day 3 a Primary Grade in the AM and a Junior Grade in the PM

Eco Club - every Thursday @ lunch

Rainbow Looms: Grade 2 students every Tuesday during lunch **Board Games:** Grade 3 students every Thursday during lunch

Junior Drama Club: Grades 4 - 6 students every Tuesday during lunch

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART: The Jump Rope for Heart was fun for all participants, and families you will still be able to make a donation throughout the month of February, please see the link https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/46814.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION: Starting school is an exciting time. Our schools provide a rich learning environment for all children to learn and grow. In the Kindergarten program, your child will develop their skills and abilities through inquiry and intentional play-based learning that includes math, science and literacy. Teachers and early childhood educators plan learning experiences where children are actively engaged in learning and thinking creatively. Children who will be four by December 31, 2023, can start Junior Kindergarten in September 2024. Learn more about <u>Kindergarten at the TDSB, Before- and After-School Programs</u> and <u>Extended Day Programs</u>.

LOST CLOTHING/LUNCH BAGS: Please label your children's belongings with either their names or initials to help us return those items. Also, kindly remind your child(ren) to please check the lost and found, their classroom and areas around the school for their lost items including clothing, shoes and lunch bags. Thank you.

BRING YOUR WATER BOTTLE EVERY DAY!

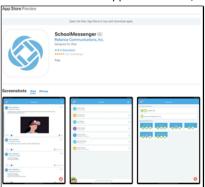
SAFE ARRIVAL PROGRAM: Please remember to call the Safe Arrival line at 416-396-6265 when your child will be absent or late for school, **OR** you may now call SchoolMessenger directly Toll-Free at 1-833-250-2290 between 7:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to report their child(ren)'s absence for the current day or a future date. Also please see below for more information with regards to downloading the School Messenger App.

Parent/Guardians may now also use the School Messenger App (available at both the Google Play Store for Android and App Store for iOS/iPhones) for your convenience

Look for this at the Google Play Store:

Look for this at App Store for iOS/iPhones:





For security of safe arrival absence reporting, parents/guardians can set up a Personal Identification Number (PIN) per student which will be required when reporting and explaining absences for a student by phone, please see the instructions below. Thank you

Parent/Guardian 4 digit code

Tutoring: TVO Learn Mathify | Free 1:1 Online Math Tutoring

Important Dates

Kindergarten Online Registration begins for 2024/2025

Feb. 27-Mackie School Council Meeting @ G. P. Mackie

Mar. 6-Wellness Night (6:30 to 8:00 p.m.)

Mar. 7-Mr. Moutadayne's class skating @ McCowan District Park

Mar. 7-Big Crunch @ 1:00 p.m.

Mar. 8 - Mackie Movie Afternoon

March Break - Mar. 11 to 15

Good Afternoon Mackie Families,

We would like to congratulate the following Mackie teams: Grades 5 & 6 Ball Hockey Teams, Girls Volleyball Team and the Boys Basketball team. They all played very hard and had a great time. We would like to thank our parents who drove our competitors, and we also want to acknowledge the coaches Ms. Song, Ms. Radulovic and Mr. Moutadayne. Thank you very much!

Have a wonderful long weekend!

J. Kyriazis