



# Weston Memorial Junior Public School

School Advisory Council News – February 2022

Hello Weston Families! We hope you all have had a positive start to 2022 and are making the most out of the wintery weather.

Congratulations to students on the completion of the first term and thank you to school staff for all your hard work so far this year!

## **School Advisory Council Meeting**

Our next virtual SAC meeting is coming up on February 24<sup>th</sup>. We hope many of you can join us! It is hard to stay connected during these times, and attending a meeting is a great way to engage with school staff and other parents.

Our next meeting will take place on:

**THURSDAY, February 24<sup>th</sup> @6:30 VIA ZOOM**

## **Fundraising Updates**

\*Thank you to everyone who participated in our December Donation Drive! **We have received over \$2,500 to help support workshops and technology for the school this year!** The donation porthole continues to be accessible through the SchoolCash Online, so there is still time to contribute if you are interested and able. We hope to hit our target of \$3,000! Visit <https://tdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>, login to your account, and click on Make a Donation. Make sure to select Weston Memorial Junior Public School from the dropdown menu. We appreciate all your support!

\*Weston Memorial Logo Wear is available for purchase from Entripy! Order your caps and t-shirts soon to have them in time for warmer weather this spring!  
<https://westonmemorialjps.entripyshops.com/>

\*Our Pizza Pizza Fundraiser continues EVERY THURSDAY! Call the Pizza Pizza catering department (1-866-310-1111) on Thursdays between 4pm and 8pm and mention the Weston Memorial JPS fundraiser to get 10% off your order and support the school!

## **Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant**

We are pleased to announce that the SAC was successful in our application for a PRO Grant this year! A grant of \$1,400 has been received and will go towards a virtual presentation and conversation about anti-Black racism in the school system. Our local theatre company, Shakespeare in Action, will be delivering the presentation for three schools in the area – Weston Memorial, CR Marchant, and HJ Alexander. The event will address mental health and wellness for Black and newcomer parents and children and will seek to provide a space where Black parents and caregivers see their experience reflected. We hope many parents in the community will participate in this event, and we are looking forward to opening up a conversation about the particular challenges facing Black families and children in the school system. Stay tuned for all the details! More information will be coming via email from the school.

## **Community Connection**

There are a couple public ice skating rinks maintained by local volunteers that provide a great opportunity to get outside on a winter day! These rinks are running at Merrill Park and Denison Park. We hope you'll find an opportunity to check them out!

We hope you all stay warm and safe as we endure these last days of winter. We look forward to connecting with you during our meeting and at the upcoming PRO Grant event!

Please reach out to the SAC anytime with your questions and suggestions!

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