

# Wilmington Elementary School

## School Advisory Council Newsletter

### GROWING OUR CHILDREN & COMMUNITY TOGETHER!

### Fall 2018 - Well Under Way!

A message from our Principal, Cathy Trajkovski

It is hard to believe that we are into November already! As you have probably all noticed, we have had a lot of exciting work going on at the school. Our Kindergarten playground in front of our school has been undergoing quite a transformation. Wilmington staff provided a lot of input, which was based on the students' needs and interests. The playground should be ready for play in the next few weeks!

The next big project will be the replacement of our roof at the school. We hope that parents who came out to the parent information evening on October 30<sup>th</sup> found the meeting useful. We also hope that your questions about the project were answered. Please do not hesitate to call the school with any further questions you have.

Above and beyond facilities staff that have been and will continue to be hard at work making Wilmington even more wonderful than it already is, students, staff and parents have also been hard at work. Our Kindergarten-Grade 3 classes have received some great new math resources that they are beginning to implement, called Mathology. There are little books that are picture books, covering the various math strands (Kindergarten-Grade 3). Grades 1 and 2 classes also have activity cards filled with lesson ideas that are linked to each of the math strands. Our Grade 1 & 2 teachers recently attended professional development to assist them in using the program effectively. They will be attending another session in the near future as well. Our School Council parents have started up our pizza lunches, organized a dance-a-thon and are currently organizing a Subway lunch day.

Your child's progress report was sent home on Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. We look forward to meeting with each parent on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> or Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> (or another day if those do not work for you).



## YOUR COUNCIL & MANDATE

This year's council is made up of the following dedicated individuals:

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| Carrie Singer-Mazzei | Co-Chair        |
| Stephen David        | Co-Chair        |
| Tara McFarlane       | Treasurer       |
| Shelah Gates         | Co-Secretary    |
| Leah Bourgeois       | Co-Secretary    |
| Anna Gatova          | Member-at-large |
| Jenn Sellers         | Member-at-large |
| Cecil Evangelista    | Member-at-large |

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This year, our mandate is focused on the

HEALTHY MINDS

HEALTHY BODIES

SCHOOL TECHNOLOGY

YOUR S.A.C. IS ORGANIZING SOME



**\*\*\*Important Information regarding our Parking Procedures are located on Page 2 of this Newsletter! Please familiarize yourself with these expectations\*\*\***

COMING SOON:



## Yoga Is Coming Back!!!

Last year, yoga continued to be a huge hit! So the council has brought it back again this year!

Please Stay tuned for further details....



## What's Going on with Council...

Welcome Wilmington Families to another exciting school year. We have already begun our fundraising initiatives to help create a school community that promotes an engaging learning environment for all students at Wilmington.

Some of the initiatives we are looking at this year include our professor jamz dance-a-thon, lunch lady, popcorn and of course our delicious pizza lunches.

With your incredible support we have been able to bring back our Yoga program for the third year in a row. For those of you that are new to the school, the yoga program runs once a month. Our beloved yoga teacher spends two full days at the school offering each class an hour filled with relaxing yoga poses and mindfulness activities that be used both in the classroom and at home.

Every year our school provides a snack program that ensures that all students have an opportunity to have a healthy balanced snack to start their morning. Last year the snack program was cut short due to lack of funds last year. The council recognizes the importance of this program and has decided to support the school by offsetting the cost.

In addition to the Yoga and Snack program we continue to help support needs in the classroom that have been identified by our classroom teachers.

**In years past we have had special lunch day offered by lunch lady. This year we will be having subway come in on Dec 6<sup>th</sup> to offer a sub lunch for those wanting to participate. Dec 6<sup>th</sup> will also be hat day, a day where students and staff alike can spend the day sporting their favourite hats!**

## Parking Lot at Drop off & Pick up

There is a growing concern on how we, the parents of children at Wilmington Elementary School are utilizing the Parking lot during drop off and pick up each day. We really must take it upon ourselves to park where it is appropriate in the parking spaces and not utilize the fence area adjacent to the playground. When parking against that fence, it creates the potential for children to get hurt having to move around vehicles that are blocking exits as well as this makes it difficult for drivers to see the children while trying to cross to properly parked vehicles.

We ask that everyone takes responsibility and uses the parking lot as it is supposed to be used.



## School Council & You!

There are always volunteer opportunities popping up at Wilmington. Whether it's helping to hand out lunches or collect money for the book fair, we can always use a helping hand. Volunteering provides an opportunity to help make our school community grow as well as give you an opportunity to meet other parents and the teachers that help make this school run. If you would like to be notified of upcoming volunteer opportunities, please fill out the information on this slip, tear it off and send it back to school with your child.

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle Preference: Daytime Mornings Afternoons Evenings Home Room: \_\_\_\_\_