

November 25, 2022

Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone for your support of our Fall Scholastic Book Fair. There is still time to make purchases at <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5170991> as the online fair will be open until Sunday, November 27. Thanks to Mrs. Finnie for organizing the fair, and to Mrs. Baller, Ms. Wesselson, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Burns, Ms. Roberts and Ms. Maendel for your assistance in allowing it to be open for students throughout the week.

PDPS Nutrition Program Fundraiser

Throughout the months of November and December, Produce Express will donate 10% of all sales using the Plattsville code, PLATT2022 at www.fresherproduce.ca, back to our school Nutrition Program. Thanks once again for your support!

Hot Lunch Program

Just a reminder to get orders in **BY NOON SUNDAY** for this upcoming week's hot lunches on Tuesday (Pizza) and Thursday (Subs).

Extra Clothing needed

We keep a variety of 'extra' clothes at the school for students who need a change and who have forgotten or need winter gear. We have a need for a few t-shirts and pants sized 4 to 8. If you are doing a purge at home and have any gender-neutral type items that may fit this criterion, we would be happy to receive them to have on hand if needed. Thanks in advance.

Lost & Found

Please see the attached photos and let your child's teacher know if anything belongs to your home. To help keep your child(ren)'s items from being lost, don't forget about School Council's ongoing fundraiser with Mabel's labels!

https://mabelslabels.ca/en_CA/fundraising/support/

November Food Drive

Just one week left to reach our goal of collecting 300 items for our November food drive. All donations will be distributed to a local charity at the beginning of December. We will plan our second food drive for the spring. Thanks for your generosity in supporting the local community!

Indigenous IEP Information Night

Shekoli Families. The Indigenous Education portfolio is pleased to offer an information session for parent/ caregivers of students with Indigenous ancestry. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Light Up Plattsville

Plattsville Lights Up for the Holidays is making its 2022 return! By December 9, families in this community are encouraged to decorate their homes for the holidays. During the week of Dec. 14 to 19, students will be voting for their favourite decorated home. You will help bring some Christmas cheer to our town and may also win a prize – that's a 'win-win'. Please see the attached flyer for further information. Thanks to our sponsors, Trails Edge Tavern and the Plattsville Lions Club.

Drumbo Firefighters Association's Santa Breakfast

On Sunday, November 27 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, the Drumbo Firefighter's Association will be holding their Annual Santa Breakfast at the Drumbo Ag. Hall. See attached flyer for further details.

From Southwestern Public Health

MAP for Children and Teens is a resource for parents and caregivers to "coach" anxious young people using practical strategies and tools to manage anxiety. The My Anxiety Plan program was designed as a self-help program to support children and teens with mild to moderate anxiety. Educators can also use MAPs to better understand anxiety and learn key tools to help students manage anxiety in school settings. <https://maps.anxietycanada.com/>

Student nutrition programs help provide food to children at school to ensure that they are well-nourished and ready to learn. Canada currently does not have a national school food program. To better support student nutrition programs across the country, the Coalition for Healthy School Food is advocating for the inclusion of a universal, cost-sharing healthy school food program to be on the 2023 federal budget. If you are interested in helping with current advocacy efforts, please visit <https://www.healthyschoolfood.ca/nourishkidsnow2022> to easily submit a pre-written letter to your local member of parliament. But the need for food does not end when students return home after the final bell. As food costs continue to rise, families may experience increased financial pressures which can impact their ability to access food. Resources to support access to local food programs and services in the community are available on our website here: <https://www.swpublichealth.ca/en/my-health/local-food-programs-and-services.aspx>.

Upcoming Dates

Month of November	PDPS Food Drive, Hindu Heritage Month
Sunday, November 27	DFA's Santa Breakfast
Monday, November 28	School Council meeting
Tuesday, November 29	EQAQ Webinar for parents Registration: www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507
Monday, December 5	Dental Screening JK – Gr.2
Monday, December 19	First Day of Hanukkah
Wednesday, December 21	Winter begins
December 24 – January 8	Winter Break

Have a fantastic weekend, Panther families! **Good luck to our Grades 4-8 Choir who are singing at the Kitchener Rangers' Game tonight!**

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