



Wellington Times

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Principal - Jill Pensa



Principal's Message

We are happy to have Ms. Cindy Raison join our staff in a .5 teaching position. She will be working with Ms. Penney's grade 3/4 class for the afternoons as Ms. Penney joins our Special Education team. Please make her feel welcome to our Wellington Wolves family.

We introduced a new program for dealing with conflict and bullying last week called WITS. This was created in Victoria BC and has been used by several schools in our Board over the past 10 years. WITS is an acronym which stands for Walk Away, Ignore, Talk it out and Seek Help. When students are having a difficult time getting along with each other, they need to use these strategies to solve the problem. We will send more information home to parents in the New Year, but in the meantime, if you could use the same language at home, this will help your child(ren) be more successful at using their strategies in difficult situations.

I hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable Holiday Season and look forward to seeing everyone back in the New Year!

Inclement Weather



For the 2023-24 school year, when school transportation is cancelled due to poor weather conditions, UCDSB schools will remain open to staff and students. Cancellation announcements will be made no later than 6:15 a.m. Parents/guardians can verify if transportation is cancelled by going to www.steo.ca.

checking STEO's social media sites or by calling STEO's inclement weather hotline at 1-866-629-0629 (updated no later than 6:15 a.m.). You can also go to UCDSB social media site.

Knowing that many students do not attend school on snow days, activities will be available on your child's classroom Microsoft Team, or in hard copy and sent home in advance. Your child's teacher will be in contact with you, with instructions on accessing these activities and expectations for inclement weather days, in the coming weeks.

Holiday Spirit Week Activities

Monday December 18: Holiday Sweater Day

Tuesday December 19: Dress like a Gift Day

Wednesday December 20: Holiday Hair/Hat Day
Holiday Singalong

Thursday December 21: Red & Green Day
Holiday Craft

Friday December 22: Chill out to the Holidays
Wear your pjs.

Hot Lunch

Forms will go home by December 11 and are due back on December 15th. covering the lunch period from Jan. 8. to Feb. 2. (4 weeks). Wednesday- Subs and Friday- Pizza

Please note: **No Hot Lunch Dec.18-22, 2023.**





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December 12

Whole School Holiday Celebration

Hot lunch forms go home

December: 14

Newcombe Ball Tournament

December: 15

Hot Lunch forms are due back

December: 18 -20

Holiday Spirit Week

Holiday Store Open

December 18- 22

Calendar order pick up

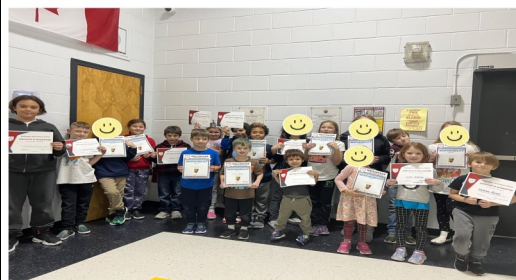
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November Highlights & Kudos

WITS Assembly: An assembly was held to introduce the WITS program (Walk away, Ignore, Talk it out and Seek help). We had some special guests join us for the event from the OPP and the RCMP.

Remembrance Day Assembly: The students did a nice job and were very respectful throughout the assembly,

Character Assembly: Respect and Responsibility were the character traits acknowledged this month and hard worker awards were awarded as well. Congratulations to all our award winners! Great job!



Impact Zone

We are excited to be offering the Impact Zone After School Homework Club at Wellington Elementary ~ Prescott Every Monday, 3:45-5:30 pm | Starting October 2nd – till Year End The IMPACT ZONE is a FREE after-school homework club for grades 3-6, which provides a loving, safe and inclusive environment. We also encourage the children with a positive Christian character -developing lesson, guest speakers of various vocations from the community, crafts, gym time, nutritious snacks, Christmas parties, field trips, year-end St. Lawrence River tubing parties, and other fun activities. Our mission is to ensure children understand their inherent value and recognize the world of endless opportunities waiting for them! If you want to join the Impact Zone, please go to the main office to register or online @ www.crosstownimpact.com/impactzone. If you have questions or require more information about the program, please call (613)-213-1968 or go to: www.crosstownimpact.com.

Allergy Safe / Scent Free School

We have several staff members and students with severe allergies at Wellington. Please ensure that you do not send snacks or lunches that contain **nuts of any kind or soy butter** to school. We are also a **scent free** environment. Please refrain from wearing scented products in the school. The safety of our staff and students is our main concern

Email, Facebook & Notices Home

To promote effective communication between home and school we would like to communicate with families electronically as much as possible. Please consider signing up for My Family Room, a secure service that provides parents access to a variety of features that enhance communications, saves time, and provides 24/7 access to information related to your children.

Spirit of Giving

We will be collecting non-perishable food items all month for this campaign.

