



Sherwood School Council Newsletter

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Parents Matter

Parent engagement means getting involved in your child’s education. By doing this everyone benefits– our students, their parents, teachers and our schools. Great schools can become even greater, allowing for student achievement to improve. As a parent, you may not realize but you have a strong influence on your child and their future. When you’re involved, whether it’s grade 2 or 10, you’re giving them a head start. How does your child benefit? • Positive attitudes about school • Higher graduation rates • Better school attendance • Fewer behaviour problems. Some suggestions to get more involved: Get to know their friends, participate in meetings, parent nights, and other school events. To learn more and keep updated, please click on www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/parents/getinvolved.html which is now available in 27 different languages.



2012-2013 School Council Meetings

- October 3, 2012
- November 7, 2012
- December 5, 2012
- February 6, 2013
- March 6, 2013
- April 3, 2013
- May 1, 2013
- September 11, 2013

** All parents/guardians of Sherwood students are welcome to attend our meetings. They begin at 6:30 pm in the school library. **

Did You Know... The full text version of *The Canadian Encyclopedia* and its related resources has been available online since 1999 as a public service? Yes... It provides the most comprehensive, objective and accurate sources of Canadian information for students of all ages, parents and readers alike. As a 1st source on all Canadian topics *The Canadian Encyclopedia* is used not only across Canada, but worldwide. It has contin-

ued to grow the last 30 years. The company has witnessed nothing less than a revolution in the way today’s people seek out and use information. Their editorial team remains dedicated to their high standards, objectivity and editorial integrity for their users benefit. More than 5000 scholars and specialists from every discipline, from every region of Canada, contributed their expertise. The result is the most detailed portrait of our

great nation, Canada! The website also offers a free “Homework Zone” for students. Do your kids need help with homework? Do they need tips on writing essays, studying effectively or note-taking for school? Check out this great website. Click on: www.thecanadianencyclopedia.com/index.cfm?PgNm=Story&Params=A



Did you know....

There are resources available for ADHD Family Support Groups? Try one of these for assistance and information:

Helping Others Parents Effectively



(HOPE) This support group is co-led by a public health nurse and a parent for parents/caregivers or families of children living with ADHD, learning disabilities, or mental health disorders. There is also the *Centre for ADHD Awareness, Canada.*

www.caddac.ca/cms/page.php?37



Once again Sherwood School and Chapters

Indigo are partnering for our 2nd Annual Fundraising Event. This year's sale will be held on Tuesday November 27th from 6:00-8:30pm. Come shop, make a purchase and say you are there for Sherwood. Indigo will donate 15% of the total sales to our school library for new materials. It's being held at the Heritage Green Shopping Plaza (1783 Stone Church Rd E), and Starbucks coffee can be enjoyed while browsing their store. Make sure to tell your family and friends too!

Clubs and Sports offered:

Arts, Drama and Dance
Badminton
Baseball
Basketball
Cheerleading
Communication, drafting and computer classes
Cross Country
Environmental Sciences
Europe Trip
Fashion Design/Cosmetology
Field Hockey
Football
Guitar and Keyboarding
Language Courses
Leadership & Peer Support
LMBM (Let Me Be Me)
Math Society
Philosophy/Movie Club
Repertoire Ensemble
Rugby
Student Athletic Council
SAINTS Ambassadors
SHSM Health Care & Fitness
Soccer
Social Justice
Specialty Athletic Programs
Stage Crew
Students Together Against tobacco
Technology courses
Tennis
Volleyball
Waterpolo
YAY (Youth Aiding Youth)

Plus much more....

www.hwdsb.on.ca/schools/schoolprofiles/index.aspx?schoolid=sherwood

A to Z about Guidance

There are 4 Sherwood Guidance Counsellors that split the alphabet by student's last name. Mr. Murkovich does A-De, Ms. McKague does Di-Ga, Ms. Lea does Ge-Mo and Mr. Szkwara does Mu-Z. They assist students with attendance issues, courses, co-op and educational planning, career, volunteer and post-secondary pathways, counselling for personal/school issues, specialized programming, the Caring Adult Program and applications for bursaries

and scholarships. The Guidance office also offers the Learning Resource Centre for all students who have been identified as needing academic support for their learning disabilities. All services with your child's Guidance Counsellor are strictly confidential and can be arranged before or after school, during lunches or breaks. If you or your child require an appointment with their assigned counsellor, please call the school at 905-383-3377.

Calling all Saint Bernards...

Do you or someone you know own a Saint Bernard dog? If so, we need them for this year's Christmas parade. You will remember the past 2 years, Sherwood has been the only HWDSB high school to have a marching band participate in the Hamilton Santa Claus Parade. Last year we brought along 5 real Sherwood "Saints" to ring in the Christmas season. If you would like the dog(s) to participate with us, please forward all the contact information for the dogs to my Council email address at:

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