

# Weekly Reminders from Earl Kitchener School...

**Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>:** Lunch Lady (for students that have ordered)

**Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>:** PA Day – No School for Students

## Other .....

### **Holiday Assemblies**

Mark Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for our annual Holiday Assemblies! Below is the schedule for the day:

**9:20am – Kindergarten Assembly:** Mrs. Nelson/Mrs. Herrera, Mrs. Johnson/Ms. Trimmins, Ms. Howarth/Mrs. Rego, Mrs. Berdula/Mrs. Rodney-Glenn, Mrs. Bentham/Mrs. Murrell-Wright

**11:20am – Primary Assembly:** Mme Cantagalli, Mme Kohler, Mme Bulloch, Mrs. Smith, Mme Jenkins, Mme Lees, Mlle Jackson, Mme MacCuish, Miss Wright.

**1:30pm – Junior Assembly:** Mme Blais, Mme Ogilvie, Mlle BrindAmour-McClure, Mme Chapman, Mr. Daniels, Mme Lardi, Mlle Marchese, Mlle Bourquardez, Mlle Frenkel, Mme Hazel, Mrs. Matthews

### **Lunch Lady Holiday Fun Lunch**

On Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, Lunch Lady will be offering a Holiday Fun Lunch! Please see attached flyer for full menu options.

### **Spirit Days**

We will be celebrating the holiday season with several spirit days throughout December. On Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, it is Holiday Cheer Wear Day! Wear colours that represent a holiday you celebrate (red and green for Christmas, blue for Hanukkah, red, green and black for Kwanzaa, etc.) Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup> is Holiday Sweater Day, and on Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> it is Pajama Day!

### **Wesley's Christmas and Holiday Store**

In keeping with Earl Kitchener's tradition of "The Giving Tree", we will be collecting donations of knitted goods, new, unwrapped toys and gifts for people of all ages, as well as non-perishable food items. These items will be donated to Wesley's Christmas and Holiday Store which provides participants with the opportunity to shop for free to choose food and gifts. This programme serves many individuals and families each year. Please drop off your donations by the tree in the front foyer of Earl Kitchener by **Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you very much!

### **Inclement Weather**

As the winter weather is now upon us, please remember that school inclement weather policies are outlined on the school board website at [www.hwdsb.on.ca](http://www.hwdsb.on.ca). Please understand that with the winter weather, busses will likely run behind schedule on some days. You can check the school board website under "transportation" for updates as they come in.

Also, please remember that it is your choice whether to send your child to school during inclement weather. Should you decide it is not safe to send your child, please be sure to call the school at (905) 528-0223, and leave a message so we know that your child is safe. This line is available for messages 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.



### **Winter Clothing**

With winter here, please ensure that your child is dressed accordingly. **Snow pants, boots, hats, mitts and jackets are essential.** Parents may also want to put extra socks and mitts in your child's backpack for those sloppy days. Also, please ensure that your child has indoor shoes, and that all items are **labelled** with your child's first and last names, as there are many pairs of black snow pants!

### **Lost and Found Volunteer**

We are looking for a volunteer to help sort through our lost and found bin, to help reunite lost items with their owners. Once per week, items can be checked for names, and then given to the office for their return. Mitts, gloves, shoes and boots can all be matched as well at this time.



### **On-Call Volunteers**

Thank you to all of our volunteers that have helped so far this year! Even with all of the help we have, there are times, due to illness etc., that a volunteer may need to cancel at the last minute, and we would need a replacement. If you live in the area, and would be able to be on our "on-call" list (even if it is for a class other than your child's), please contact the office at (905) 528-0223. Please remember that a valid police check needs to be on file with the school. If you need to obtain a police check, please go to the following website: <http://www.policesolutions.ca/checks/services/hamilton/index.php>

### **Choir Practice**

Choir practice is every Day 5 during first nutrition break in the gym.



### **Tennis Balls**

We are looking to collect sets of tennis balls to support learning in Phys-Ed class! Please send in any used and/or unused tennis balls to the office. Thank you for your support!



### **Lunch Utensils**

As more warm lunches are being packed for school, please ensure that your child has spoons and forks as needed so that they can easily enjoy their food.

### **Nutrition Program**

Next week, the nutrition program snack will be raisins and oatmeal cookies. Thank you to our parent and student volunteers! Please contact Lesley Yip at [eknutritionprogram@gmail.com](mailto:eknutritionprogram@gmail.com) with any questions, or to help out.

### **UPCOMING**

**Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>:** Pizza Day (for students that have ordered)

**Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>:** Christmas Concert (performance times listed above)

**Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>:** Last day of school before Winter Break

**Monday, December 24, 2018 – Friday, January 4, 2019 (inclusive):** Winter Break - school closed