

# Weekly Reminders from Earl Kitchener School...

**Thursday January 24<sup>th</sup>:** Lunch Lady (for students that have ordered)

**Friday January 25<sup>th</sup>:** PA Day – No school for students

## Other .....

### **The Silver Birch Club**

The Silver Birch Club has begun! This is a wonderful, Canada wide reading initiative that showcases the top rated Canadian books of the past year. Students in grades 4 and 5 are eligible to join. There are two categories they can choose to read from: **Fiction** (longer chapter books) and **Express** (a combination of shorter fiction and non-fiction). The goal is for them to read at least five out of the ten books in their chosen category by the end of April. If they accomplish this they are able to register an official vote for their favourite book. We will then wait to see how the rest of Canada votes to see which book wins! Club members will have an opportunity to sign out Silver Birch books during their regular library time. The library will also be open once a week during recess for club members. Happy reading! -H.MacNamara, Teacher-Librarian



### **Annie Rehearsals**

Annie rehearsals have started for the grade 3, 4 and 5 cast members. Stay tuned for any updates as they happen.

### **GROOVE EDGEducation**

On Wednesday, February 6 and Thursday, February 7, students will have the opportunity to participate in the GROOVE EDGEducation program: Transforming the way teachers teach and students learn through Groove Experiences for Students (PreK – Gr12 & Higher Education). Teacher Trainings, and the Online/In-class resources for teachers that engage the body, brain & being in multiple subjects throughout the school day.

### **Volunteers**

We have many class trips and events being planned over the next few months, and we will be needing parent volunteers to help out. Please ensure that you have a current, valid police check on file with the school office, so that you are able to participate. Please visit the following website for information on obtaining your vulnerable sector screening.

<http://www.policereliefsolutions.ca/checks/services/hamilton/index.php>

### **Locke Street Construction**

As you may be aware, Locke Street will be under construction for some time. This construction should not affect pedestrian traffic, however, it may impact bus service from time to time. Please find an outline of the construction plans under “weekly reminders”.



### **Indoor Phys-Ed Shoes**

With the colder, wet weather here, please send students to school with an extra pair of dry, proper Phys-Ed shoes to change into. It is important to keep everyone safe, and our new gym floor clean and in good repair. Thank you! Mme McColman

### **Pizza and Milk**



To add an order to either pizza (Grades K-5), or milk (Grades 1-5), please contact Danielle at [ekmilkpizza@gmail.com](mailto:ekmilkpizza@gmail.com), or 289-339-3097.

### **Winter Clothing**



It's getting cold outside!! Please ensure that your child comes to school dressed for the weather. Coats, snow pants, boots, hats and mitts are all necessary. If they come fully prepared, they will be ready for any weather changes that may happen during the day, and will not need to call home for additional clothing.

### **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.

### **Nutrition Program**

The snacks for this week will be clementine oranges and butter mini rice cakes.

### **UPCOMING**

**Tuesday February 5<sup>th</sup>:** Wear **Yellow** Day – Bike, Walk, or Wheel to school today