

# Wing Tips

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**April 2019** 

Arrival Check Program Please call the school to let us know that your child(ren) will not be attending school for the day or will be arriving late. For your convenience, the answering machine is available 24hrs/day, 7days/week.

# **April Happenings at Green Acres:**

## Pink Day

April 10th is International Day of Pink, a day where our students will participate in a variety of activities to raise awareness for anti-bullying. Thank you to our Student Leadership Group for planning the activities, they have been busy creating announcements and posters for this important event. We encourage everyone to wear pink that day!

## **Grade 4 - 6 Basketball Tournament**

Green Acres is happy to host it's Annual Grade 4 - 6
Basketball Tournament on Friday,
April 12. Thank you to Mr. Reynolds
and Mr. Kirkelos for organizing the
day. Funds raised from the
Tournament will go towards our
Grade 8 Graduation ceremony. Thank
you to our Grade 8 students for helping out with the
tournament, we look forward to another great day of
basketball here at Green Acres.

## **Save The Date**

On Thursday, May 9, Green Acres will have an Open House and School Council STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math) Night. The event will be from 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. STEAM activities will be in the school gymnasium.

Thank you to our School Council for planning the STEAM activities that students can participate in. Look for more information to come home later this month and in the School Council Update.

# Collegiate/Green Acres/R.L. Hyslop Transition Committee Meeting # 3

All parents are invited to the 3rd School Transition Committee Meeting being held at R.L. Hyslop on Wednesday, April 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

# **Senior Kindergarten Graduation Photos**

On Tuesday, April 5, Creative School Images will be here to take graduation photos for Senior Kindergarten students. Order forms were sent home, please contact the office if you did not receive one.

## Spirit Wear is Here

Order forms will be coming home this week. Order your very own Green Acres gear (t-shirts, hoodies, and shorts). Not sure of your size? Visit Ms. Iarocci during nutrition breaks on April 1st and 2nd or after school on April 8th from 3 - 4:30p.m. Show your school spirit.

#### Pie A Teacher

Students have been purchasing tickets for the opportunity to pie a teacher in the face on Thursday, April 11. Funds raised will go to the Me to We Foundation. Thank you to a number of staff who have agreed to get a pie in the face!

#### **Volunteers at Green Acres**

Part of the Hamilton Wentworth District School Board's Volunteer Policy is that any volunteers working with children must have obtained a Vulnerable Sector Screening Report. This is essentially a criminal record check and is put in place to protect our students. To obtain a report, an adult can pick up an application form from the Police Station, complete the form and submit either in person at the Hamilton Police Services Headquarters on King William Street in Hamilton or online. The cost is \$25.00 and the report is valid for 3 years with the HWDSB. It could take up to 4-6 weeks for the report to be prepared. Once you obtain the report, bring it to the school office for approval and complete the Volunteer Forms for Green Acres School. If you are interested in volunteering, complete this process as soon as possible, so that you can take advantage of opportunities as they arise. If you volunteered last year and intend to continue volunteering you will need to come in and sign the Offence Declaration and Volunteer Agreement Form for this school year.

You will not be permitted to attend school trips without a Police Check.

#### Green Acres School Council Update

Your Green Acres School Council continues to meet approximately once a month. The Council is very proud of being able to once again ensure that everyone in the school got to enjoy pancakes on Tuesday, March 5, 2019. Thank you so much to the volunteers that flipped around 500 of them that morning and to the students who helped to deliver to each of the classrooms.

The Council is also pleased to announce that Spirit Wear order forms were delivered to the classrooms the last week of March. This will be one of the last chances to order your very own Green Acres gear. Orders will be collected up until April 18, 2019 just before the Easter break. The form is available online, through the Council's Facebook page, and in paper format at the school. Please feel free to order online through the website or to send cash or cheque to the school. Also please feel free to let previous alumni know about the sale in case they too would like to have some memorabilia before the school closes in 2020. If you are not sure of your child's size, there are samples at the school to try on. Try on days will be held during nutrition breaks on April 1st and 2nd, thanks to Ms. larocci. There will also be an opportunity after school on Monday, April 8, 2019 from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Mark your calendars for the Annual Open House and School Council STEAM Event happening on Thursday, May 9th from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. During the Open House the School Council will be presenting fun science experiments and information booths related to Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math. There will also be a competition for each class to make a Rube Goldberg machine. If you remember the board game Mousetrap, think something similar to that contraption but using everyday office supplies, building materials, and a whole lot of imagination. It should be an extremely fun (and creative) night. And come with an empty stomach; School Council will be selling pizza and samosas to help cover the cost of Play Day at the end of the year.

The next School Council meeting is on Monday, April 21, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Staff Room. All are welcome to attend.