

# The Eyrie

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The Eyrie, is a monthly newsletter with updates about recent and upcoming school items/events. Each edition is posted to our school website at the end of each month. Please subscribe, <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/greenville>



## Upcoming Events

### December 5

Pizza Day

Winter Concert: Sounds of the Season @6:30-7:30 pm

### December 6

Hold & Secure Drill

### December 9

Pick Up MACMILLIAN Orders \* Poon Residence @2:45-5:00 pm

### December 12

Sub Day

### December 13

Kindergarten Winter Concert @1:30-2:45 pm

### December 18

Winter Musical @6:30-7:30 pm

### December 19

Pizza Day

### December 20

Last Day before Winter Holidays!

### January 6

Welcome Back & Happy 2025!

Dear Families,

With our first snowfall of the year we are reminded that the winter break is fast approaching. While we may have just stepped over the December start line, this month will fly by – it always does! There are many student activities and events planned in the coming weeks so please check your child's agenda or class communication account regularly to stay up to date.

I look forward to seeing many of our families prior to leaving for the break. Wishing everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

In Service,

Ms. J. Miskas

Principal

**Subway Days:** We've added another special food day to the roster! Sub days are coming, our first date being **Thurs. Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>**. Forms were sent home last week and School Cash Online went live Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. If interested, please return the sub form ASAP and remit payment online. Sub days will be scheduled **1x/month** and they will supplement Pizza days. Please note, Sub days will not always fall on the same day of the week.

**Student Keyboards – Purchased!** At the beginning of the year, staff identified needing more student keyboards for their classroom iPads. Students have shown more productivity using an iPad when they have a keyboard attachment. As a result, we were able to use some of our fundraising profits, already accumulated this year, to purchase 15 new

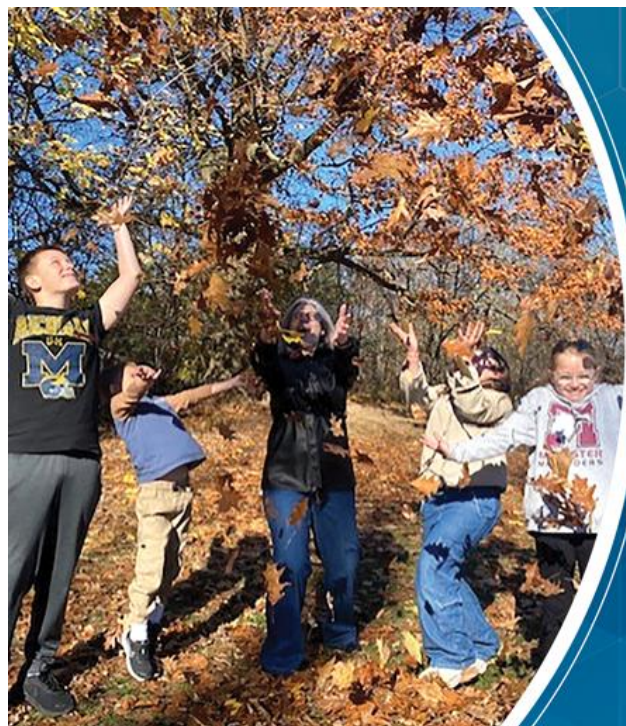
keyboards. Five classrooms received extra keyboards, delivered last month. This purchase is part of our fundraising plan this year. The keyboards, along with the MathUP licences, put us in good standing for meeting our goals this year!

**Fundraiser:** Our MacMillan's fundraiser is now closed. We had a successful campaign and I thank our community for taking part. Orders will be **available for pick up, Mon. Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, between 2:45-5:00 pm @ 43 Tews Lane (The Poon Family Residence)**. \*Please make arrangements to collect your order that day as many of the items will need to go directly into your freezer. Thank you again for supporting this School Council initiative.

**Progress Reports & Interviews:** Thank you for taking an active interest in your child(ren)'s education by attending family interviews last month. I trust you were able to engage in productive conversations with staff. We appreciate your efforts to support your child(ren) at home – we couldn't do what we do, effectively, without your participation and partnership.

**Message from Jim Hardenbrook - The Optimist Club:** Breakfast with Santa is back! Saturday December 7, 8:30-11:00 am @ Christ Church, 92 Hwy. 8 Bullocks Corners/Greenville. Food bank donations will be gratefully accepted. Children \$5, Adults \$10, Santa Photos \$8. [www.greenvilleoptimistclub.ca](http://www.greenvilleoptimistclub.ca)

**Principal Profile:** I was asked by my principals' council (OPC) to submit a picture and answer a pre-determined question about my role at Greenville. My profile will be published in our professional magazine, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>. I've attached it below for those interested. \*Please note, I received the appropriate permissions to photograph and publish Greenville students. I had a blast that day and I'm grateful to Brandon, Luke, Stella and Amelia for going along with my crazy idea!



## The **Principal** Profile

**Jennifer Miskas**  
Principal, Greenville ES  
Hamilton-Wentworth DSB

### How does a principal contribute to student achievement?

“ I believe the impact I have as principal on student achievement is contingent on **my commitment to build genuine relationships**, to engage in authentic ways and to set high expectations for all my students. ”



**Staffing Update:** Mrs. C. Cipriano is temporarily covering for Mrs. J. Sleep (0.5 Prep Coverage & Remote Grade 5). Mrs. Cipriano will be with us until at least Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>; however, her assignment may continue into January. As well, I will be hiring an EA to fill the vacancy created by Mrs. Valenta's retirement, at the end of this month. I

will share more information once hiring is complete. We wish Mrs. Valenta a wonderful start to her exciting new chapter ♥

**Photo Dump:**

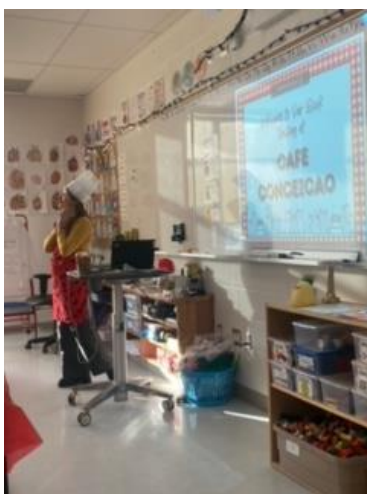
A New Puzzle Table in the LRT Room



Cozy Up & Read Day!



Chef Conceicao at Room 222's Book Tasting!



**HAVE A GREAT START TO YOUR WEEK!**