

WOSS E-News November 2005

Welcome to *WOSS E-News*, a monthly e-mail message to WOSS parents and community members.

UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR

For the full year schedule, visit www.wossweb.com (Choose Students and then Important Dates).

November 2 Early Dismissal/Staff Learning Days [8:15 Period 4; 9:39 Period 5; 10:58 Period 3b]

November 2 Take Your Child to Work Day for the Grade 9s

October 31 to November 18 Graduation Photos

November 9 Last day of class, Term 1 (Semester 1)

November 10 First day of class, Term 2 (Semester 1)

November 11 Remembrance Day Observance – 2 assemblies, each put on by the Grade 9 Drama students

November 15 Semester 1 mid-term report cards mailed to all grades except grade 9 de-semester

November 15 Grade 9 de-semester – 2nd letter of concern mailed

November 21 WOSS School Council Meeting, 7 pm in South Campus Staff Room – all are welcome

November 22 selected Grades 11 and 12 students will take part in “Staying Safe” event which involves a tour of the trauma unit at the hospital

November 24 Parent-Teacher Interviews

November 25 Full disclosure ends

November 25 WOSSSTOCK fundraising concert for Robotics Team (FAMS program) at 6 pm in the North Campus (dance rules will be in effect; advance tickets are \$5, \$7 at the door)

November 28 WOSS Drama and Life skills students will be involved in “Creating a Scene” at the Mississauga Living Arts Centre. Tickets are available.

December 2 Professional Activity Day – no classes

December 5 Influenza Immunization Clinic at WOSS (South Campus Cafeteria) 3:30 - 8:00 pm

December 7 to 10 WOSS Drama Council is putting on Oklahoma in the South Cafeteria. Advanced ticket sales and reserved seats are available so parents can choose seating ahead of time and not worry about arriving early to get good seats.

November and December – College and university visits (the specific dates are listed on the www.wossweb.com site -- choose Students and then Important Dates). Parents are welcome to attend these presentations. For specific times and locations, contact Student Services 905-845-5200 X 230.

Call the school, 905-845-5200 X227, if you have any queries about the above events.

PARENT NIGHT SPEAKER – Helping Youth Make Good Career Decisions

The recent presentation by Phil Hedge (October 13) was very interesting. One grade 12 parent remarked that she wished she had seen his presentation when her son/daughter was in grade 10, as good career decisions start then. Two important messages in the presentation: our children need to be able to adapt and accept change and that all destination pathways have value, whether university, college, apprenticeship, or directly into the workforce. Some interesting trivia:

- 17% of people dread going to work every day.
- Your child will likely work in 5 different work sectors before they retire.

MEET THE NEW DIRECTOR

Thursday, November 17th, 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Abbey Park High School, 1455 Glen Abbey Gate

Parents and community members are invited to meet the new Director of Education of the Halton District School Board, Mr. Wayne Jodie to discuss educational issues,

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

- The entrance doors to the South Campus will be repaired and painted.

- The construction of the light and sound booth in the South Cafeteria will begin at the end of October and will be ready for Oklahoma.

SPORTS RELATED

Our Junior Football Team has now won two games and will advance to the playoffs. Come and watch a game and cheer our athletes on! Here are the dates for WOSS teams competing at home this month.

Home Games (South Campus and at 3:30 unless otherwise noted)

- **Junior Football** Tue Nov 1 (2:30); then playoffs begin
- **Boys Volleyball** (Sr/Jr) Wed Nov 2
- **Girls Basketball** (Jr) Mon Nov 7
- **Girls Basketball** (Vocational league) Nov 8, 10 am to noon, North Campus
- **Senior Boys Volleyball** (Vocational league) Nov 18, 10 am to noon, North Campus

WOSS ITALIAN CHARMS FOR SALE

WOSS School Council is selling Italian charms as a fundraiser. There are only a few left. Make sure you get one before they are all gone. You can view and purchase charms at the south campus school office.

VISIT THE WOSS SCHOOL COUNCIL WEB SITE

Visit www.wossweb.com and select Parents and then WOSS School Council and look for the link at the bottom of the page. You will find past minutes, information about school councils, and links of interest to parents.

Please forward this e-mail to other parents who might be interested in being added to our e-mail list.

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