

WOSS E-News

June 2008

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

UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR

JUNE

- June 5 Athletic Banquet
- June 9 Recognition Assemblies
- June 10 & 12 EQAO Mathematics Test
- June 14 WOSS hosts Oakville Arts Council's Community Art Space, 10:30 to 6 pm. This is open to the public.
- June 18 Last day of classes, Semester 2
- June 19-25 Final Exams Semester 2 The exam schedule is posted on the school web site (www.wossweb.com)
- June 26 Exam Return Day
- June 27 Professional Activity Day – no classes

JULY

- July 3 Semester 2 Final Report cards mailed with pre-registration information for next year

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

WOSS LOTTERY IS STILL ON!

Lottery fundraising calendars are still available. They will be available for sale at the Community Arts Space Event at WOSS on June 14. For more information, contact wosscouncil@cogeco.ca or wosscouncil@gmail.com.

SPORTS NEWS

- All Halton school sports stats and schedules are posted on the following website: www.hssaa.org
- Our cheerleaders are, once again, the national champions.
- We have 2 students going on to OFSAA events, one for track and one for tennis.

CHANGES TO WOSS NEXT YEAR

- Over the summer, there will be extensive renovations to the north campus kitchen, parking lots (north and south), and new computers will be purchased while half of the existing computers will be refurbished.
- WOSS will be producing their own yearbook next year. A new computer lab and related communications technology course is being developed to support this.

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Plans for schools in Ward 5 and 6 have been approved. Sunningdale will be a Grades 1 to 8 single-track French Immersion school for Ward 5 and Munns will be a Grades 1 to 8 single-track French Immersion school for Ward 6. Montclair will be the K to 8 single-track English track school. Note that adding the intermediate grades will require renovations to both schools in the way of labs and art rooms, etc. Montclair will also undergo extensive renovations to change the open concept structure. Lorne Skuce will eventually be phased out but will serve as a holding school until all changes have been made.

WOSS SCHOOL/PARENT COUNCIL MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING is September 15)

The WOSS School Council has finished meeting for this school year. The first meeting in the 2008-2009 school year is scheduled for September 15. The meeting starts at 7 p.m. and refreshments are provided. Contact wosscouncil@cogeco.ca or wosscouncil@gmail.com if you would like an agenda to be sent prior to the meeting.

NEW BLEACHERS DUE TO WOSS STUDENT COUNCIL EFFORTS

Due to the fundraising efforts of the WOSS Student Council, new outdoor bleachers have been purchased and will be installed by the main field/track, hopefully by the end of this school year.

INSIDE RIDE FUNDRAISER

More than \$25,000 has been raised by the school towards Andy Brooks' participation in this cross Canada bike ride to raise money for cancer research. This far exceeds the \$16,000 goal! There is information about what has been happening at the school on the school web site (www.wossweb.com). You can also go to www.theinsidride.com for more info.

BILL 212 (ANTI-BULLYING PROGRAM)

The committee that has been working on this have already started making presentations to and will be presenting to the Principals Advisory Council and the School Board. The program, in a nutshell, is a plan to integrate character education into all subject areas.

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ever wonder what is happening at the school on a day to day basis? Now you can read the same morning announcements that you son or daughter get on the school website (www.wossweb.com).

STAFFING NEXT YEAR

There will be some minor staffing changes next year (2 or 3 new teachers) and a new vice principal (Claire Ailey from Robert Bateman in Burlington), since Jim Noble, current VP, is retiring

STUDENT COUNCIL ELECTIONS JUNE 2 OR 3

This year every position is being contested --- 26 students are vying for the 7 positions on the council. This bodes well for student involvement next year. There will be an assembly June 2 for the student body to hear speeches, with the elections following.

PARENT ATTENDANCE PORTAL

Don't forget about the link to the HDSB Student Information System on the school website, www.wossweb.com. You can check your child's credit history and current course selection, as well as his or her attendance and late record.

PEOPLE FOR EDUCATION NEWSLETTER

<http://www.peopleforeducation.com/news/newsletters>

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