

WOSS E-News March/April 2009

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

UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR

March

- 10–14 Haly music trip
- 11 Movie night
- 12 DECA fundraising
- 12 Band competition night
- 16-20 Spring Break – no classes
- 26 Women as Career Coaches event (contact mistruzzina@hdsb.ca)
- 27 Letters of Concern Mailed for Semestered Courses

April

- 2 EQAO Literacy Test Grade 10 students
- 7 Inside Ride (theinsideride.com)
- 10 Good Friday – no classes
- 13 Easter Monday – no classes
- 14 Term 1 Ends (Semester 2)
- 15 Term 2 Begins (Semester 2)
- 20 Mid-Term Report Cards for Semestered Courses; Interim Report Cards for Desemestered Courses mailed
- 22 Full Disclosure
- 23 Parent–Teacher Interviews
- 24 Professional Activity Day – no classes
- 30 Hoops for Heart

May

- 5 WOSS choir is singing the national anthem at the Blue Jays game (tickets are available for the game \$29 + \$5 for the bus).

UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS

- March 23** Rugby Team to Queens (Kingston) for a one week training camp.
- April 22-26** Arts and Drama Department to Chicago

SCHOOL WEBSITE www.wossweb.com Check it out.

POLICE PRESENCE AT WOSS

People have been asking about why there is a police car parked outside WOSS so often. Parents should know that WOSS and Holy Trinity share a police officer (Constable Mike Foster), who is frequently dropping by the school. Don't assume the worst. Constable Foster takes his role seriously and knows that frequent visits (when there is nothing wrong) will help establish a positive rapport with the students and staff.

STILL LOOKING FOR ONLINE AUCTION DONATIONS

WOSS School Council is still looking for donations of items that can be auctioned off for fundraising purposes. Items such as theatre and sports tickets, sports memorabilia and equipment, electronics, and so on would be appreciated. Contact wossCouncil@cogeco.ca.

COURSE SELECTION FOR 2009/2010

As of February 25th, all course selections have been made by students for the next school year. Talk to your children about what courses they have chosen. Feel free to contact Student Services if you have any questions. Course changes are still possible!

NOMINATIONS

The staff of WOSS has been nominated for Team of the Year for the Premiers Award, which will be announced later this Spring. As well, our head custodian, Dave Margetts, has also been nominated for Excellent Support Staff. Go to www.ontario.ca/teachingawards.

SPORTS NEWS

All Halton school sports stats and schedules are posted on the following website: www.hssaa.org

NEED AN OIL CHANGE?

Just \$30.24 for an oil change, tire rotation, balance, check, and top up of fluids at the WOSS Auto shop.

WOSS PARENT COUNCIL MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING is April 20)

Meetings start 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. [Enter through the South Campus main doors (off Montclair), turn right, keep to the left of the stairwell, and enter the first door on your left after the double doors.]

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR APPROVED BY HALTON BOARD FOR 2009-2010

The 2009-2010 school year is unique because there are not sufficient days between Labour Day and June 30 to meet the criteria. As a result, students and staff will return to school on Tuesday, September 1, 2009 – one week earlier than normal, and before the Labour Day weekend.

School Breaks and Holidays:

September 1	School Begins	March 12	Board-designated Holiday
September 4	Board-designated Holiday	March 15-19	Spring Break
September 7	Labour Day	April 2	Good Friday
October 12	Thanksgiving Monday	April 5	Easter Monday
Dec 21 to Jan 1	Christmas Break	May 24	Victoria Day
February 15	Family Day	June 29	Students' last day of classes

Professional Activity Days

October 9	Elementary/Secondary	February 2	Secondary
November 13	Elementary/Secondary	April 23	Elementary/Secondary
December 4	Elementary/Secondary	June 30	Elementary/Secondary
February 1	Elementary		

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