



NEWS & REMINDERS: WENTWORTH

January 25, 2019

Message from the Head of Wentworth

Dear Wentworth Families,

Character Education is a central part of the student’s learning at Wentworth – we strive to teach character intentionally in all that we do. Our teachers nurture social and emotional growth in our students, inspiring them to be compassionate citizens who care deeply about their peers, their communities and their own well-being. We’re very proud of our efforts over the last few years to grow and refine our character education program. In the primary grades, this character education is woven throughout the day, with homeroom teachers equipping students with the tools to understand their feelings and behaviours, to nurture healthy relationships and resolve conflict, and to develop a growth mindset. In our intermediate grades, we have timetabled a *Community and Connections* block each day where homeroom teachers connect with their students through community-building activities, restorative justice circles, and social-emotional learning and reflection exercises. Through a curriculum developed and constantly refined by our teachers and counseling department, we help our students develop a better understanding of themselves as individuals and as citizens of our world. We believe that community and connectedness make us whole, and we see evidence of the strength of our program through the empathy, compassion, and care exhibited by our students.

Marc Young
Head of Wentworth

Feedback from the recent Fire Alarm at Wentworth

You may have heard from your son or daughter that we recently experienced a fire alarm at Wentworth.

This alarm was caused from a mechanical issue that was repaired on the same day and has since caused no further issues.

You should know that your children exited the building efficiently and performed like pros during this evacuation. Collingwood takes part in regular emergency preparedness drills and we are very proud of our students and staff when we see how well they handle these unexpected situations. Way to go Wentworth!

Late Start Information for Thursday, January 31

- all morning practices and before school care are cancelled
- JK - Grade 7 morning drop-off will run from 9:30am-9:50am, with attendance taken at 9:50am (please do not drop students off earlier than 9:30am)
- Bus Schedule: Please note that your regular pick up time will be adjusted by one hour. For example, if the bus normally picks your child up at your location at 7:15am, it will now pick your child up at 8:15am on January 31.
- Buses will arrive at Morven between 9:00am - 9:10am.
- Shuttles from Morven to Wentworth will leave at 9:10am for arrival at Wentworth by 9:30am.



Backpack Buddies Food Drive

Next Week: Monday, January 28 - Friday, February 1

Next week is Wentworth’s second Backpack Buddies food drive! This will be a house competition, so please place appropriate items in the donation boxes located in the front lobby at the Wentworth campus. We are in particular need of LUNCHES and DINNERS for our packing, which include the following items:

- Chef Boyardee (e.g. ravioli, rice with chicken, spaghetti & meatballs)
- Instant Noodles, Mr. Noodles
- Chicken and tuna cracker snack packs
- Canned proteins: tuna, salmon, chicken etc.
- Canned chili
- Canned soups
- Canned beans (pork free)
- Easy Mac or individual servings of Annie’s microwavable Mac & Cheese

Please note that all meals should contain protein and be “kid-friendly,” meaning they are easily opened (e.g. “pop-top” lids) and microwavable. Click [here](#) for a full list of other acceptable Backpack Buddies food items. Thank you in advance from our grade 6 Backpack Buddies packing team - you are helping us make a difference!

Lunar New Year Celebration

Friday, February 1, 4:00 pm - 6:30 pm

Morven Campus

Hosted by Collingwood Chinese Parents Club

Come Celebrate the Year of the Pig at our 2019 Lunar New Year Festival. This event will feature interactive activities (4-5pm) followed by festive performances with seating (5-6:30pm). The celebration will start with fun hands-on activities including sugar painting, ring toss, lantern crafting, calligraphy and much more (4-5pm). This will be followed by performances (5-6:30pm) of JK to Grade 8 students highlighting traditional clothing, dance, choral, Tai Chi, gymnastics and taekwondo. We will also enjoy a Lion Dances show performed by local martial arts professionals.

Drop by and enjoy the activities, fabulous performances and snacks! This event is open to all Collingwood families and faculty. Each student will receive a gift bag upon entrance. Most snacks are free of charge; purchase of tickets are required for souvenirs and game participation. There is limited seating for the main performance show. Please reserve [here](#).

Calling all Collingwood Young Makers!

Remember the super fun and awesomely successful *Young Maker's Market* at last year's Spring Fair? We are on again for 2019! If you've always wanted to produce and take it to market, this is your opportunity. Learn all about production, customer service, sales and more from Tamara Komunieki of [Delish General Store](#).

Please send a brief description of your business idea/product to tamara@delishgeneralstore.com

Application deadline: Monday, February 18, 2019

Important Dates:

Notice of Re-Registration for 2019-2020

February 4 - 15

Our annual online re-registration for our current JK - Grade 11 students occurs February 4-15. Further details will be provided to you via email on February 4.

Parents' Council Coffee Mornings

[JK-Grade 3 Parents](#)
Monday, Jan. 28
8:45am – 10:00am
Wentworth, FSC

[Grade 4-7 Parents](#)
Tuesday, Jan. 29
8:45am – 10:00am
Wentworth, FSC

Late Start

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Attendance: 9:50am



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Pro-D Day

Friday, Feb. 15

No Students in Attendance

BC Family Day School Closed

Monday, Feb. 18

This date was changed from Feb. 11 to coincide with the rest of the country. Read [here](#).



Photo of the Week

The Grade 7 Gold Girls played a great game this morning in the annual Cav Classic.

For more photos from all Collingwood School activities, follow us on [Facebook](#) & [Instagram](#)!



Workout in the Woods

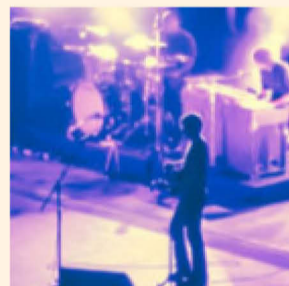
A Parents' Council Initiative

Next session:

Feb. 13-April 17

\$130 for the session.

Visit [here](#) for more information and to register online.



Jazz Cabaret 2019

Feb. 5 and 6

6:30pm - 9:00pm

Morven Campus

Ticket sales are now open to the public. This event sold out last year so act quickly if you are interested.

The two nights of performances are slightly different, please [visit here](#) for more information.



Inclement Weather

In the event of snow and school closures, information will be posted to the [homepage](#), [Students](#) and [Parents](#) pages of our website by 6:30 am.