

### Arthur Public School

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### May News

At Arthur Public School, we are fortunate to have such a great play space. The students are taking advantage of our large playground to spread out and engage in a variety of play activities. Many students are playing field games including gaga ball while others enjoy the various tarmac activities. Students have access to a variety of recess balls to use at recess time. With some warmer weather, it has been great to see our students running around and playing with their friends.

We know that some students like to bring sports equipment from home to use at recess time. It would be appropriate provided students understand that the only certain items are permitted (balls such as volleyball, basketball, soft baseball, tennis ball, utility ball, football, soccer ball). Some students also like to bring a baseball glove to play catch (no bats). Students must understand that if they bring their own ball they must still follow our school expectations which includes being inclusive of others. Also, the school will not be responsible for these items.



We continue to encourage active and inclusive play.

This is also a good time to remind everyone-students, parents, staff and yard supervisors of the rules that help make our playground safe and fun places to play. Expectations for students:

- no food, gum or drinks on the yard
- play safely, fairly and appropriately
- use appropriate language
- avoid any physical contact games or activities
- share playground equipment with others
- leave the stones and sticks on the ground
- respect our neighbours and stay safe by staying out of the tree line
- line up quickly when the bell rings
- respect the environment

Safety is a priority at APS, and students will be reminded on a regular basis about the playground rules/expectations. We hope that you will reinforce them at home with your child(ren).

It is important that students continue to apply themselves at school and complete all of their work to the best of their ability. Reading regularly at home is necessary to improve fluency. Practicing basic math computation facts is also key to strengthening and building strong math understanding and confidence with numerical literacy.

At Arthur P.S., we continue to strive for excellence, both academically and socially!

Ms. Barrow Mrs. McCabe Mrs. Brunkard Principal Vice Principal Office Coordinator

#### **Sunscreen and Hats**

As the temperature rises over the next couple of months, students are reminded to put on sunscreen in the morning and wear a hat as they head off to school each day.



### **Bikes at School**

The weather will soon start to look like Spring, although Mother Nature is giving us one last feel of Winter. Many students are excited to ride their bike or scooter to school. This is a great way to get some exercise and have fun.

Please remember that bikes and scooters must be walked on and off property. With so many students walking around before and after school, we want to avoid any possible accidents, so please make sure you are walking your bike or scooter off school property, before getting on to ride. Always wear a helmet!

# **Snack Program** –Thank You Volunteers

Our daily school snack program requires many volunteers to help it run smoothly. A special thanks goes out to our parent and student volunteers who help to prepare, deliver & clean up from our program.

Thank you everyone for doing your part to bring healthy food to hungry minds!

## **Indoor Shoes**

Parents are asked to send indoor shoes or an extra pair of running shoes for their child. Not only is it unhealthy and dangerous for students to walk around the floors of the school in socks, we want students to be prepared in the event of an emergency where we have to exit the school building.



### **Talent Show**

Wow! Can you believe it, almost 100 students tried out for this year's Talent Show. We definitely have a lot of talent and a lot of confidence. It is not easy to perform in front of a large audience. We would like to congratulate all our students who auditioned for the Talent Show. Ms. Backer and our Student Government were very impressed with all the talent. Students that were selected for this year's Talent Show have been working hard practicing in preparation for the Talent Show that is scheduled for May 16, please arrive at 1:40 as we are starting the show at 1:50pm.

### Safe Arrival

Please remember to call the school at 519-848-3793 and leave a message on the attendance line if your child is not going to be at school. We need to hear from each family if your child is not attending school, so we know they are safe.

# **Kindergarten Registration**

Children born in 2020 start Junior Kindergarten in September. Please use this link to register your kindergarten student online <a href="https://www.ugdsb.ca/kindergarten/">https://www.ugdsb.ca/kindergarten/</a>

# **New Registrations**

Families new to Arthur can register students using this link <a href="https://www.ugdsb.ca/schools/admission-registration/">https://www.ugdsb.ca/schools/admission-registration/</a>

# Moving?

If you're moving before September please let us know. Contact the school at 519-848-3793 to inform us of your moving date. This information helps us plan for next year. Thank you!

## **EQAO**

Our grade 6 students will be writing EQAO the week of May 27 to 31st. Our grade 3 students will be writing EQAO on June 3, 4, 6 & 10th.

# **Jump Rope for Heart**

We have started our Jump Rope for heart fundraiser, with our event date of May 9th. Please find the attached slide show with all the information you need to know, including how to register your APS student to receive donations under their name (they could earn gift cards back!)

Quick link: <a href="https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/45983">https://jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca/45983</a>



# Heart & Stroke Jump Rope for Heart

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jumpropeforheart.crowdchange.ca

Thank you for your support this year!

Keep checking our calendar at <a href="https://www.ugdsb.ca/Arthur/">https://www.ugdsb.ca/Arthur/</a> for school wide events and check <a href="https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/</a> for fundraisers and school trip fees.

# **Play Structures at APS**

It won't be long now before we see a transformation to our playground. Our primary and junior/intermediate play structures will be installed soon. Stay tuned for more details.





# **School Council Fundraisers**



Once again, our School Council is busy selling Krispy Kreme Donuts to raise money for our Primary Playground.

Order now, before they are sold out!

Please go to <a href="https://uqdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">https://uqdsb.schoolcashonline.com/</a> to place your order.

This fundraiser is also available for the public to see and place their own individual orders for pickup. The public can use this link to order:

https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/82733/64/False/True

For public orders please remove the checkmark from "Myself" and enter your first name only and telephone # in the "Who are you purchasing this for?" field Example: Annette 519-848-3793

## **School Council Fundraisers**

# Eby Family Honey Fundraiser May 6-24 2024

## Please use <a href="https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/</a> to place your orders.

We are selling items from Eby Family Honey to raise money for the playground. This is a fundraising event organized by Arthur Public School Council. Thank you for your support. Items will be available to purchase May 6- 24th. Pick up will be on June 18th 3:30-5:30pm at Arthur Public School (155 Conestoga St. N, Arthur) <a href="https://www.ebyfamilyhonev.com">www.ebyfamilyhonev.com</a>

This fundraiser is also available for the public to see and place their own individual orders for pickup. The public can use this link to order:

https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/82740/64/False/True

For public orders please remove the checkmark from "Myself" and enter your first name only and telephone # in the "Who are you purchasing this for?" field

Example: Annette 519-848-3793

The form below is for tracking purposes only and will be sent by email on May 6.

Eby family SEY	Liquid Honey		Creame	d Honey	Cinna Creame	ARTHUR	
Customer Name & Contact	500g, \$10	1kg, \$18	500g, \$10	1kg, \$18	330g, \$10	500g, \$12	Total Price
Totals for each product							\$

This form is for tracking purposes only; all payments must be made online at schoolcashonline.com. Ordering available May 6-24, pick up Tuesday June 18, 3:30-5:30pm at Arthur Public School (155 Conestoga Street North, Arthur). Fundraising event organized by APS School Council. Money raised will be used for the playground. Thank you for your support!

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# Stemmler's Fundraiser May 6-24 2024

### Please use <a href="https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/">https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/</a> to place your orders.

Stemmler's Pepperstix and Beef Jerky will be available to order May 6-24th, pick up June 18, 3:30-5:30pm at Arthur Public School (155 Conestoga Street North, Arthur). Fundraising event organized by Arthur Public School Council. Money raised will be used for the playground. Thank you for your support!

This fundraiser is also available for the public to see and place their own individual orders for pickup. The public can use this link to order:

https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/82737/64/False/True

For public orders please remove the checkmark from "Myself" and enter your first name only and telephone # in the "Who are you purchasing this for?" field

Example: Annette 519-848-3793

The form below is for tracking purposes only and will be sent by email on May 6.

Stemmler's  Only the Best from our Family to Yours'	Pepperstix \$8 (175g/10 Sticks)				Beef Jerky \$8				AH THUR		
Customer Name & Contact	Original	Hot	Honey Garlic	Teriyaki	Turkey	Original HF	Hot	Honey Garlic HF	Teriyaki	Korean BBQ	Total Price
Total for each product											\$

HF - Halal Friendly (produced using Halal beef and protocols)

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# Motivational Speaker and Author Sara Westbrook

Our school council has arranged for an in-person engaging presentation during mental health week.

Students and parents will hear from the amazing and enthusiastic Sara Westbrook.

Emotional awareness, self-regulation, and resilience are skills that are essential for overall well-being and success! Discover how to bounce back from challenging circumstances and tough emotions. Realize the importance of releasing emotions in healthy ways.



May 6th 2024
Gr.4 -Gr.8 11:50-1pm
JK- Gr3 2-2:50pm
Parents invited!

YOUR MIND IS A POWERFUL FORCE.

When you fuel it with self-love notice how your choices change.

Sara Westbrook

challenges that impact
their emotional and
mental health. Feeling like
a failure, believing they
are not good enough, and
not trusting in their own
uniqueness are common
challenges that trigger
tough emotions.

### **UGDSB** Information

**TICK INFORMATION** A few of you have asked about Tick information to share with families who may be inquiring this time of year. The memo below and links from Public Health may be helpful if you are looking for information. Please feel free to share with your community as needed.

Blacklegged Tick and Lyme Disease

https://wdgpublichealth.ca/your-community/ticks-lyme-disease

**WDGPH Virtual Information Session** As a follow up to the January presentation by WDGPH related to Vaping, please see the Eventbrite link to the Cannabis and Other Drugs Virtual Information Session with Dr. Tenenbaum on Wednesday, May 15 from 7-8 pm:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cannabis-and-other-drugs-virtual-information-session-with-dr-tenenbaum-tickets-864012182697. Public Health will be offering a second session related to Cannabis and Other Drugs in a virtual one hour session. Please share within your circles.

**Every Day Counts! Student Support:** When it comes to student attendance at school, Every Day Counts! This week our tips for supporting your child's attendance at school focuses on ways to involve the school. See below for some strategies you could try.

- Know that there are supports in your child's school. Connect with them as soon
  as an issue starts. Connecting earlier is better than when your child has missed a
  lot of school.
- If your child wants to leave school, try to have them connect with a caring adult in the school first to see if things can be worked out before your child goes home.
- Reach out to your school Principal and/or Guidance department for help if your child is not coming to school. Let's talk! There is no judgement!
- A welcoming school approach has proven to be quite effective. Ensure your child is familiar with their school Principal, Vice-Principal and other caring adults in the building.
- Talk to the school team about anything you are hearing might be difficult for your child at school. School staff are always ready to help problem solve.
- Have a mental health plan created with your child and school staff and ensure there is a safe place to go in the school when your child may need some quiet time.
- If going into the classroom is hard remember coming into the school building and meeting with a caring adult in a safe space is an important step in getting back to school.

For more information, please visit the UGDSB website:

https://www.ugdsb.ca/parents/student-attendance-at-school-tips-and-strategies-for-families/