



Watt's Happening

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PRINCIPAL's MESSAGE

Dear Parents/Guardians,



The last few weeks have brought us every kind of weather imaginable! Please continue to dress for a variety of elements. The days are certainly getting longer and spring is in the air, but there is still a little 'winter' in the forecast.

We thoroughly enjoyed a school-wide pancake and pyjama day on Feb. 27th. Thank you to our grandparents, families and friends who provided yummy maple syrup! I continue to be awed and inspired by the kindness and generosity of the Watt community.

Since Christmas, our students have represented us proudly at Dragon's Den, Swim to Survive, and Nordic Ski races. We have a volleyball tournament coming up on March 8th. **Special thanks to School Council for covering the cost of buses for our sporting activities!**

Concerns have been raised by some of our Watt families regarding security. We strive to be a welcoming environment, but safety and security are always a priority. We are introducing a sign-in sheet at the office after March Break. All visitors who enter the building beyond the office are asked to please sign in and out on a clip board. In the event of an emergency, this will ensure that we know who is in the building. Thank you for supporting our efforts to keep everyone **safe** and accounted for! If you have any questions or concerns, please call me.

The *Power of Reading* ... Research tells us that every year, every student needs to spend hundreds of hours actually reading, writing and speaking. We learn to read well by reading for meaning: to analyze or support arguments, to arrive at our own opinions and when we make inferences or attempt to solve problems. When we routinely "model and make explicit" how we as adults read, think and make connections, students learn to do it too. (Schmoker) Encourage your son/daughter to read every day! Ask them about what they are reading. Model your reading. Discuss articles in the newspaper or on-line; elicit their thoughts and ideas. Reading will make a world of difference for your child! For tips about how to support the development of literacy at home, please check out this link:

<http://www.edu.gov.on.ca/eng/literacynumeracy/parentGuideLitEn.pdf>

Have a safe a happy March break!

Norah Morrison
Principal



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SCHOOL CONNECTS

Watt Public School has begun utilizing "School Connects", a tool that allows school-wide messages to be shared via phone/text/email.

We appreciate your patience as we begin to use School Connects to communicate with families!

On occasion, pre-recorded messages will be sent from the school, as a reminder about upcoming activities.

SCHOOL CASH-ONLINE

Watch for information from TLDSB regarding school cash on-line.

School cash-online will allow parents/guardians an opportunity to create an account(s) for convenient online payments.

As information becomes available it will be shared!

FRIENDLY REMINDER

Please **DO NOT** park along our bus route!



CLUBS * CLUBS * CLUBS

- Robotics Club
- Art Club
- Lego Club
- Watt Movement

Get involved at Watt -- It's fun & it's free!

SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Location: Watt PS
Time: 6:45 pm
Date: 3/1/2017

Questions? Email: askwattparentcouncil@gmail.com

MARCH BREAK

Monday March 13 – Friday March 17, 2017

See you on Monday March 20, 2017

SAFE ARRIVAL

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) please remember to contact the school in the event that your student(s) will be away/late.
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| March 1 | School Council Meeting |
| March 3 | Ski Race (Gr 3-8) |
| March 8 | Volleyball Tournament (7/8) |
| March 10 | PD Day |
| March 13-17 | March Break – no school |



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