

Fundraising



SUPPERWORKS (BEACH)

Eat well and raise money for Wilkinson! SupperWorks is a fun and convenient way to get nutritious, tasty food on your table – without the time, hassle and mess! What makes it even better is that it is also a fundraising activity for Wilkinson. When registering for a session at The Beach location, enter the charity code WPS and 4% of the gross proceeds will be donated to the school to support.

MABEL'S LABELS

Have you recently signed up your child (ren) for Summer Camps? Soon the labelling will begin as we personalize items to be taken with them on their adventures. Mabel's Labels makes this easy and you can support Wilkinson at the same time! To learn more about the products, visit the Wilkinson Mabel's Labels site, www.wilkinson.mabel.ca/. The fundraiser runs from January 1 to June 29, 2010. Proceeds will support a variety of Wilkinson Parent Council initiatives.

FUN FAIR

Volunteers Needed! Can you help?

With an eye to the future of Fun Fair! The success of this annual fundraising event lies in large part with the voluntary work by Wilkinson parents. 2010 is the last year for some of our team and we'd like to encourage you to consider leadership role. Shadow leads - or "leads-in-training" - are needed within the following areas: Silent Auction, Extreme Makeover Tent and Gym Games. To register your interest or request more information please email April Moon at:

moon.wallis@sympatico.ca

If a leadership role is not for you, we welcome you to volunteer on the day itself. If you are interested please send an email Laura Haggart at: FunFairVolunteers@hotmail.com Be sure to include name, telephone number and what you're interested in!

SILENT AUCTION

Starting saving for the Silent Auction in 2010! Here is a list of some of the upcoming auction items, both new and returning favourites!

Silent Auction Company's 2010 – NEW

- Bob & Paige Salon
- Bulldog Interactive Fitness (Only for kids - parties, camps, etc)

- Caruso Fine Tailoring
- Citra Hair Studio
- Dough Bakeshop - New to the Danforth!
- East York Gymnastics
- Fermentations (wine & beer Making)
- Fly Girl Fitness (Pegasus)
- Funnelz (Kids Playcentre)
- Giftings
- Mosaic Beach Studio
- Patris - Greek Restaurant
- Playdium Mississauga
- Power Soccer
- Small Wonders Pet Emporium
- Solar Stage - Jack & Beanstalk Production June
- Sweet Tooth (Bakery/Desserts)
- Ten Thousand Villages
- Wild Water Kingdom
- More to come...

Silent Auction Company's 2010 – Returning Favourites

- First Row Seats School Concerts and Graduation
- Astoria (Greek)
- Bad Dog Theatre
- Barberian's Restaurant
- BizzyBee Playcentre - (Stay & Play, Parties etc.)
- Blockbuster
- Caffee Demetre (Coffee & Desserts)
- Casa Di Giorgio (Italian)
- Court Jester (Pub)
- Curves
- Euro Crepe Cafe
- Fox & Fiddle (Pub)
- Global Pet Foods (Dog Gift)
- IQ Living
- Kalyvia (Greek)
- La Cabana (Mexican)
- La Di Da Boutique
- Luc Sculpture School & Studios (Camps, Parties etc...)
- Magic Oven
- Maselli's (Italian Products)
- Megas (Greek)
- Messini - Authentic Gyros!
- Moss
- Pan on The Danforth Restaurant
- Pantheon (Greek)
- Pet Value S(mall Bed)
- Pizza, Pizza
- Salvation Corp/4th Sense (Hot Sauces & Oils)
- The Cook's Place
- The Palace Restaurant (Greek)
- Wimpy's Diner

If you have any corporate and / or local connections that can be asked for donations or services to be included in our Silent Auction this year please let Sarah Gillespie know @ 416-465-7380 or email: alexgill@pathcom.com

Important Info



SAFE SCHOOLS – NEW SECURITY CAMERAS

By the end of 2010 calendar year, Wilkinson will have a DVR installed that will be connected to two cameras. The cameras will be hooked up to computers in the office. Using the DVR, we will have approximately a month of memory stored which will provide more flexibility in keeping an eye on the comings and goings at the school.

"400 SWIM" PROGRAM @ EARL GREY SENIOR PUBLIC SCHOOL

The Wilkinson community rallied to keep the Earl Grey Senior Public School pool open. We were successful and local residents may have already noticed the 400 Swim leaflet distributed to our homes in early March.

Registration took place late March 2010. The courses will be run based on full registration so if you weren't able to make registration and would like more information, call **416-400-7946**, email info@400SWIM.com, or visit the website www.400SWIM.com

TURNING POINT YOUTH SERVICES – FREE WORKSHOPS

This is a reminder that the final two workshops for the 2009-2010 series will be:

Anxiety: Your Child's Worries and Fears – Wed. April 21st, 6:30-8:00 pm, presented by Sara Handler, MSW, RSW, MA & Jeremy Jacob, MA (Psych)

Adolescents and Eating Disorders – Wed. May 19th, 6:30-8:00 pm, presented by staff from the National Eating Disorder Information Centre

As always, these workshops are free but anyone interested should call to reserve a spot with Patty Hayes at 416-925-9250 x233. Further contact information is as follows:

Turning Point Youth Services
95 Wellesley St. East
Toronto, ON M4Y 2X9
www.turningpoint.ca

Countdown to Fun Fair

7 WEEKS

MAY 29TH 2010



Important Dates

THUR. APR. 1ST

Badminton Tournament in the gym

FRI. APR. 2ND

Good Friday – NO SCHOOL

MON. APR. 5TH

Easter Monday – NO SCHOOL

FRI. APR. 9TH

Wilkinson Primary Choir at TDSB Music Festival – 10:00 to 11:30am at Woburn Collegiate Institute
Badminton Night – 6:30 to 8:00pm in the gym

MON. APR. 12TH

Wilkinson Junior Choir at TDSB Music Festival – 10:00 to 11:30am at Woburn Collegiate Institute
Council Meeting – 7:00pm (Childcare provided.)

TUES. APR. 13TH

Shoestring Opera performance, "Shoestring Magic Flute" in the gym at 1:15pm. (Grades 4, 5 and 6.)

FRI. APR. 16TH

Badminton Night – 6:30 to 8:00pm in the gym

THUR. APR. 22ND

Spring Concert in gym:
Primary (Kindergarten – grade 3) – 6:00 to 7:00pm
Junior (Grades 4, 5 and 6) – 7:00 to 8:00pm

MON. APR. 19TH – FRI. APR. 23RD

Bring in your batteries and eye glasses!
(Refer to article.)

FRI. APR. 23RD

Schoolyard / Community Clean-up-day.

Pizza Lunch

Badminton Night – 6:30 to 8:00pm in the gym

TUES. APR. 27TH

Breadbox Theatre performance, "School Bound".
Performances in the gym at 1:15pm and 2:00pm.
(Grades 1, 2 and 3.)

FRI. APR. 30TH

Badminton Night – 6:30 to 8:00pm in the gym

Arts & Music



SHOESTRING OPERA

On Tuesday, April 13th the Shoestring Opera is coming to present "Shoestring Magic Flute" to our grades 4, 5, 6 at 1:15pm in the gym. Based on Mozart's famous opera, this will be a dual language presentation with half being performed in English and half in French. The performance will feature two singer-actors, a cellist, a pianist and Mozart's beautiful music – an ideal introduction to the joy of opera!

More information about Shoestring Opera and its mandate to bring opera to children everywhere can be found at: <http://www.shoestringopera.com/>.

BREADBOX THEATRE

On Tuesday, April 27th we will have a performance for our grades 1, 2, 3 by Breadbox Theatre entitled "School Bound". Since there is a maximum audience of 75, we will have a first performance at 1:15pm and a second performance at 2:00pm. "The entire world of School Bound, the company's first play, fits into a breadbox. In this one-person show, the actor opens the box and reveals a land where kitchen utensils come to life and audiences are whisked away on a whimsical journey." (Excerpt taken from official website.) To learn more about how the Breadbox Theatre team introduces theatre our children on a small-scale, visit: <http://www.breadboxtheatre.com/>.

SPRING CONCERT

Now it is time to showcase our homegrown talent! The annual Wilkinson Spring Concert will take place in the gym on Thursday, April 22nd. The times are as follows:

Primary Spring Concert

(kindergarten and grades 1, 2 and 3) 6:00 to 7:00pm

Junior Spring Concert

(grades 4, 5 and 6) 7:00 to 8:00pm

TDSB MUSIC FESTIVAL

The TDSB Music Festival is a non-competitive event that is held annually across Toronto. Be sure to mark the following dates in your calendars:

Wilkinson Primary Choir – Friday, April 9 at 10:00 to 11:30am

Wilkinson Junior Choir – Monday, April 12 at 10:00 to 11:30am

This year the TDSB Music Festival will take place at:
Woburn Collegiate Institute
2222 Ellesmere Road
Scarborough, ON, M1G 3M3.

Online Communications

Our Web site: www.wilkinsonschool.ca

Come and take a tour of our web site! Mark it as one of your online favourites and be sure to visit it regularly for upcoming dates, events and volunteering opportunities. It also contains general school and Council info, and other useful links. Click on Contact Us and drop us a line!

KEEP TRACK OF YOUR STUFF.

Don't forget to order your labels.

www.wilkinson.mabel.ca



Contact Us

Have an article to contribute to the newsletter? Interested in helping out? Compliments? Go to our Web site at www.wilkinsonschool.ca or leave a message at (416) 393-9575.

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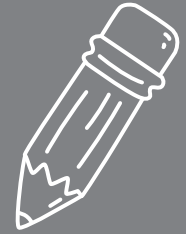
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Wilkinson Newsletter



April 2010

Principal's Message

Wishing you a warm and happy springtime as we start the month with a long Easter weekend! There is no school on Good Friday, April 2nd and Easter Monday, April 5th.

The month ahead is action-packed as we celebrate and participate in the community around us. We will commemorate Earth Day and Toronto's "20-Minute Makeover" with week-long activities detailed further within the newsletter. We will welcome visiting performers and our children will also participate in the annual TDSB Music Festival as well as our own highly anticipated Spring Concert.

Finally, I would like to formally announce my retirement effective June 30th. I have been at Wilkinson for the past 11 years and have had a blast. But now, it's time for someone new, and it's time for me to take a break from work. I have wonderful memories to take away with me and know that whoever is lucky enough to be my successor will be coming into a great school.

The new principal should be announced in May and I look forward to inviting them to the Fun Fair to meet people and to enjoy some great food.

Tanya Sterioff

Principal

Upcoming Events

DOING OUR PART TO HELP THE EARTH

On Friday, March 26th from 2:00 to 3:00 pm Wilkinson participated in Earth Hour. Each of the classrooms and the office turned off lights, computers and all other electrical equipment as we aimed to use as little electricity as possible.

Each classroom made its own plan, coming up with many creative ways to enjoy the hour electricity free! During this time students took part in playground games, drama, music, board games and art. In addition, each student made a wish for the Earth. These wishes are displayed outside of the classrooms.

Bring in your batteries and eye glasses!

During the week of April 19th-23rd, Wilkinson will be collecting dead batteries and eye glasses. By collecting batteries, we want to remind people that batteries should never go into the garbage. At the end of the week, we will take them to a hazardous waste depot. We will be sending the eye glasses collected to Cambodia to be reused. There will be boxes in the front foyer for these items.

On Friday, April 23rd, clean-ups will be taking place all around the city to support the "20-Minute Toronto Makeover". Here at Wilkinson we will celebrate this initiative throughout the day as students from kindergarten to grade 6 will be participating in a schoolyard and community clean up. If you would like to help out, please contact our Vice Principal, Ms. Leasa Adams.

Online Update

TDSB is now on Facebook!

"It's the most popular social network in the world."

Many TDSB staff, students and community members are on Facebook frequently, checking for the latest updates, photo albums and thoughts from their friends, family and favourite organizations. Now, the TDSB has become one of the first school boards in Canada to offer a Facebook fan page. Check it out for great news updates, important information, links to videos and more!"

(Excerpt taken from the TDSB website, http://www.tdsb.on.ca/about_us/media_room/room.asp?show=allNews&view=detailed&self=2456.)

Watch this space for more details as we will soon launch our own Wilkinson Facebook fan page!