

MACPHAIL NEWS

December, 2023



Apprends aujourd'hui.....Leaders tomorrow!

Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!



Winter is back with lots of blowing snow and cold temperatures. Please remember to send a few extras in your child's knapsack for winter days at school. An extra pair of mitts and some dry socks are a great idea. In addition, please make sure that your child has indoor shoes at school to put on when they take off their boots. It's important to have all students in shoes while in the school for safety reasons. Any donations of winter mitts, hats and snow pants are also welcome, as we often need extras for our students. Also please remember to write your child's name inside their winter clothing so it can be easily identified.

At École Macphail Memorial Elementary School, we want our students to be active at recess and enjoy our amazing playground. We ask for your support to ensure everyone's safety on the yard in winter. Please be aware of the following expectations related to snow... Any student who wants to play in the snow should wear boots, snow-pants, mitts / gloves, and a hat/hood so they are warm and dry for the whole day. **Snow stays on the ground!** Throwing snow and snowballs is not allowed. We also ask that students not wreck **any** forts and snow sculptures, in order to avoid hurt feelings and conflicts. Students are asked not to build tunnels as there is a risk of collapse. We look forward to seeing the many great snow-creations that our students build with their imagination and hard work!

Ms. Boag and I would like to wish everyone in our school community the very best of the holiday season and a very Happy New Year!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact us (After hours go to extension 527 for Mr. Strong, Ms. Boag extension 526.)

Eron Strong
Principal

Lindsay Boag
Vice-Principal

Events / Dates

- December 6** - Area Volleyball Tournament Boys at Highpoint
- December 6** - Area Volleyball Tournament Girls at Macphail
- December 19** - Primary classes trip to Cineplex Collingwood
- December 20** - Winter Concert 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.
- December 21** - Snow Date for Winter Concert
- December 25 - January 5** - **Holiday Break - No Classes**
- February 2** - PD Day - No Classes
- February 7 - 9** - Verbeek and P.L.'s grade 6's to OEC
- February 19** - Family Day - No Classes
- February 23** - Report Cards Home
- March 11 -15** - **March Break - no classes**

Professional Activity Days

No Classes

February 2, 2024

April 26, 2024

June 7, 2024

June 28, 2024

Switch Days

Monday February 5 - Friday Schedule

Tuesday February 20 - Monday Schedule

Wednesday April 3 - Friday Schedule

Thursday April 4 - Monday Schedule

Tuesday June 11 - Friday Schedule

Student Absences / Bus Changes

When your child will be absent or a bus change is needed, please let us know:

MACPHAIL TEXT LINE: 519-372-7040

Or Call: 519-924-2752 ext. 522 or ext.100



Winter Concert

You are invited to join us as we celebrate the sights and sounds of Winter! Our staff and students are busy preparing wonderful presentations for you to enjoy.

Wednesday December 20 (Snow Date Dec. 21)

Morning performance 9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Afternoon performance 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.



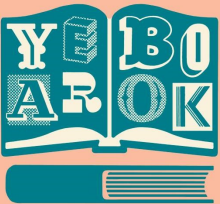
Flesherton Love Committee



It's the season of giving and Macphail will be holding our annual holiday food drive to support the Flesherton Community Love Committee's work to provide holiday hampers to more than 100 local families with 127 children, and 58 teens. This year, Macphail families who can contribute to the food drive will be asked to send in breakfast items (cereal, pancakes and syrup), pasta and sauce plus mac and cheese, and protein sources such as tuna, beans, and peanut butter. Student Council is proud to organize the days of giving during the week of December 11 - 15. Please keep the gift of giving in your thoughts and stay tuned for more details. Donations can also be made by cheque to "The Flesherton and Community Love Committee" (mailed to Joan McGee, Box 481, Flesherton Ontario, N0C 1E0). Let's surround the community with care for the holidays.



Yearbook committee



The Yearbook Committee is up and running. Please watch for permission forms which are going home soon. Complete the form, marking whether your child/ren can or cannot be in the yearbook, and send back as soon as possible.



Snow day reminder - If school buses are cancelled for the day and your student is a walker/driven to school and are unable to make it, please remember to call/text the Office to report their absence. Thank you!



Mac Spirit Days December 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Mac Attack Friday	2
3	4 Comfy Cozy Monday	5	6	7	8 Mac Attack Friday	9
10	11 Comfy Cozy Monday	12	13	14	15 Mac Attack Friday	16
17 Holiday Themed Spirit Week!!	18 Holiday Helpers Day – Reindeer, Elves holiday accessories	19 Whoville Day – Dress like a Whoville character	20 Candy Cane Day – Wear Red white and green	21 Festive Day – Wear your Holiday Sweaters (Ugly sweaters welcome)	22 Night Before Christmas Day–Wear your Pjs to kick off the holidays!	23
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Last day to purchase pizza online is Sunday December 3rd.

School Community Council

Our next meeting will be in person at school Monday January 15, 2024 starting at 6:30 p.m.
All School Community Members Welcome!



Happy Holidays!

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