





#### Dear Parents and Families,

We have an important update about our much-anticipated fundraiser, the Toonie Origami Wolf Draw. While we originally planned to launch this initiative soon, we have decided to postpone it until next school year. This allows us to kick off the new school year with a fun, engaging, and impactful event that the entire community can look forward to.

#### What's Coming Next Fall?

In the fall, we will officially launch the Toonie Origami Wolf Draw! Here's how it will work:

- For just \$2, each student will receive origami paper to create their own unique wolf.
- Write your name and division on your wolf.
- All completed wolves will be collected and stored in a special container for a chance to win a fantastic prize.

#### Why Should You Get Involved?

This event is more than just a fundraiser; it's a celebration of our school spirit and community. Here's why you should participate:

- Family Fun: Creating origami wolves is a wonderful activity to do together as a family. It's a great way to spend quality time and start the school year with a creative project.
- School Pride: Each origami wolf you create contributes to a collective display of school pride. Your child will feel proud to see their work included in a school-wide art project.
- Community Spirit: By participating, you help strengthen the bonds within our school community. It's a chance for everyone to come together and support a common cause. "Stand turned"





#### **FAREWELL TO MS. NAVIN**

As the school year draws to a close, we say goodbye to our esteemed Vice-Principal, Ms. Navin. Her dedication, care, and genuine concern for the well-being and success of each student have left an indelible mark on our community.

The Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Ms. Navin for her tireless efforts and commitment. Her presence at Whiteside will be greatly missed.

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We wish Ms. Navin all the best in her future pursuits. Thank you, Ms. Navin, for everything.



SPORTS DAY - JUNE 14TH

- . HOT LUNCH WHITE SPOT
- · PAC IS OFFERING CONCESSION
- IF ANY PARENT WISHES TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT PAC EMAIL WHITESIDEPAC@HOTMAIL.COM

PAC AGM JUNE 18TH AT 6:45PM



### **HELLO MS. SARA LAI**

We are delighted to extend a warm welcome to our new Vice-Principal, Ms. Sara Lai, joining us from William Bridge Elementary School. We look forward to getting to know Ms. Lai and working together to continue making Whiteside Elementary a place where every child feels valued and inspired to learn.

Welcome to Whiteside, Ms. Lai! We are thrilled to have you with us.

### PAC FINANCIALS

2023/2024 PAC supported funding for the following

- Classroom Resources
- Student Field Trips
- Just Dance
- McRoberts Scholarship (Whiteside graduates)
- Sports Equipment Outdoor Soccer Nets
- Music Equipment
- Teacher Appreciation Lunches
- Picnic Tables for outdoor education space
- Rock and Roll Workshop
- Computers



\*For more details, please visit our Facebook page, where you can find the meeting minutes and financial documents.

### WHITESIDE GARDEN

IF YOU LOVE GARDENING AND LIVE CLOSE TO WHITESIDE ELEMENTARY. WE WOULD LOVE YOUR SUPPORT FOR CARING FOR OUR OUTDOOR GARDENS OVER THE SUMMER!



# WHITESIDE MURAL IN PROGRESS

## EXCITING DEVELOPMENTS AHEAD!

We are thrilled to share an exciting update about a new initiative that will bring vibrant and inspiring artwork to Whiteside! As part of our ongoing commitment to enhancing our school environment and fostering a sense of community, we are embarking on a mural project that promises to add a unique and colourful touch to our school.

While there are no concrete details to share at this moment, we are actively engaging in conversations with talented artists and district representatives to ensure that this project reflects the creativity and spirit of our school. We anticipate that the mural creation will begin next year, and we are excited about the potential this project holds for our students and staff.

One artist we are particularly excited to highlight as a potential contributor to this project is Sandeep Johal. Sandeep's work is known for its vibrant colours, intricate patterns, and powerful themes that celebrate diversity and community. Her art not only beautifies spaces but also tells compelling stories that resonate with people of all ages. We believe that an artist of her caliber could bring an extraordinary dimension to our school's visual landscape.

Stay tuned for more updates as we continue to develop this project. We are eager to share more information with you in the coming months as plans progress and details are finalized. Thank you for your enthusiasm and support as we move forward with this exciting endeavour.



IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PAC, PLEASE REACH OUT TO US! OUR SCHOOL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS TO SUPPORT VARIOUS ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES, AND THERE MAY BE OTHER POSITIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE. PAC MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE THIRD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH, AND ALL PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN!

Hot Lunch Coordinator	Organize new vendors / menu's Set up munch a lunch Coordinate hot lunch dates with the school and communications to parents.
RDPA Representative for James Whiteside Elementary	The Richmond District Parents' Association (RDPA) is the District Parent Advisory Council (DPAC) for School District #38 (Richmond) and one of the stakeholder (partner) organizations in our district. General meetings are held at 7pm every first Tuesday of each month in the Boardroom of the School Board Offices and all parents are welcome to attend.
Fundraising Coordinator	Coordinate fundraisers throughout the year to support funding our school's needs.

As we wrap up another year, the PAC would like to thank everyone for their involvement and support. We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to continued success in fostering our children's learning, development, and a vibrant educational environment. Together, we've raised funds for classroom resources, new experiences, and school equipment, strengthening our community. Have a fun and safe summer, and we look forward to an exciting year ahead!

