

Week of December 5 - December 9, 2022
Community Memo

Upcoming Dates:

Dec. 12 - Crazy or Festive Sock Day
Dec. 12 & 13 - Cookies for Sale \$2
Dec. 14 - Popcorn Day and Night of Hope
Dec. 15 - Festive Hat or Headband Day
Dec. 20 - Cozy or Plaid Day
Dec. 22 - Pajama Day and Last Day of School for 2022
Dec. 23 - Jan 6 - Winter Break
Jan. 9 - First Day Back to School

Scent Free Zone

Please note that we are a Scent Free Zone. Due to life threatening allergies we ask that our staff, students, and community members refrain from wearing any scented products, including hand sanitizers when entering our building.

Thank you

Thank you to our parent volunteers who helped fill the garden beds with the mulch that was delivered this week. Our garden's look fantastic and the additional mulch will help keep the weeds away in the Spring time.

Portable

As you may have seen this morning we had a portable delivered to our school. This is exciting news for us. Over the next couple of weeks the electrical will be hooked up and the portable will get cleaned and furniture in place ready to welcome our students in the New Year.

Cookie Sales

Next Monday and Tuesday at first recess we will be selling cookies out front of the office for \$2. The cookie flavours will be double chocolate and sprinkle.

Intramurals/Extracurriculars

Our Junior Girls and Junior Boys volleyball teams competed in their area playoffs this week. Our Junior boys had a great season finishing 3rd in their pool. Way to go!

Congratulations to our Junior Girls Volleyball Team who were Area Runner-ups on Wednesday evening, they now move on to the final 24 on Monday. Good Luck!

Our junior division has just completed their session of intramurals and we have started our Primary Sessions for Grade 2's and 3's. Their activity for this session is Foxes and Rabbits.

Our School Musical is in full rehearsal mode. Our students are involved in many rehearsals at lunch, recess, before and after school. We are looking forward to the final production.

Grade 3 , Junior and Intermediate students all have the opportunity to participate in Divisional Art Clubs.

Lots of Intermediate students are participating in the Robotics Club, and look forward to coaching and involving Junior students in this club after the Winter Break.

Intermediate students are still enjoying their Dungeons and Dragons Club.

Unlearn Presentations for Grade 6 Students

Abhi and Erica from **Unlearn** engaged students in interactive learning during their presentations on Thursday, December 8th. For one of their activities, students had a chance to look at a variety of images and share their thoughts.



Some of their thoughts included:

The sheep image:

If you take the time to get to know someone and learn more about them, then you see them and they become more visible and feel more positive.

The Extended Hand Image:

Friendship beats bullying like paper beats rock in 'Rock, Paper, Scissors'

There were so many more insightful comments and conversations, this was an amazing experience and we look forward to welcoming the Unlearn Team back in the New Year.

SCC Update:

Next **Wednesday, December 14th, 2022**, the SCC is hosting their 3rd Annual Night of Hope. Please see the posters below for details. The night will run from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm.

WSPS 3rd Annual

Night of Hope

An in-person event

WE ARE IN NEED OF DONATIONS OR ITEMS THAT CAN BE LOANED FOR THE EVENING:

- Lights of various colours
- Inflatable decorations
- Extension cords, preferably long
- Santa Costume
- Decorations, tinsel, garland etc
- Ornaments for the 12 Trees of Hope. Can be placed anytime on Wednesday and collected afterwards, please nothing fragile

If you are wishing to loan your item please label it clearly near the plug-in. We prefer you to come and setup your own items on loan but can arrange through our team if need to drop off. Please let us know ASAP what you may have available at WhitbyShores.scc@gmail.com

Night of Hope

Volunteers needed

PRE-EVENT
Need 10 volunteers to help with set up (2-5pm)

DURING EVENT
5 people to maintain and assist where needed, to direct where to go and handout glowsticks/colouring pages

POST EVENT CLEAN UP
Need 10 people to take down lights, pack up inflatables and decorations

Please contact the SCC at Whitbyshore.scc@gmail.com or join our SCC Volunteer Facebook Page
Students and Highschool students welcome.

Social Media Tips for Families

Thank you to Holly Richard for engaging parents and staff in Social Media presentations over the last few weeks.

We invite you to look at the Parents Guide to Instagram below. Some great tips include:

- The minimum age a child should have an instagram account is 13
- Ensure that privacy settings are in place (private vs. public)
- Talk to you child and make sure they never share passwords with anyone
- Stay private- discourage your child from including details in their posts that provide information that might enable others to locate them (e.g. school, community, geographical location)

[Parent's Guide to Instagram](#)