# **HUNTLEY CENTENNIAL PS: FAMILY UPDATE**



# **FEBRUARY 24-28, 2025**

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Greetings HCPS families,

I hope you are all doing well! I would like to welcome and introduce retired Principal, Jen Shirley, who will be joining me for the next two weeks in the office. Jen and I know each other well and I am very pleased to have her here supporting staff and students.

Please check out the events happening this week and coming up.

Have a wonderful week!

Meghan Schuler

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

• Tuesday February 25th: Toonie Tuesday

Wednesday February 26th: PINK SHIRT Day

• Friday, February 28th: Term 2 IEPs for student who currently have an IEP will be sent home

• Thursday March 6th: NEW date for the Junior Ski Trip to Mt. Pakenham

March 10-14: March Break, Schools Closed

• March 28: PA Day, no school for students

#### **TOONIE TUESDAY:**

The Education Foundation is running its annual Toonie Tuesday campaign! Your support helps provide access to food, clothing, school supplies, healthcare supports, and opportunities for learning and recreation for families in our district. To make a donation you can:

Make a one-time or monthly donation to our <u>Toonie Tuesday campaign online</u> and receive your charitable tax receipt right away by email!

You can send your child to school with \$2 (or more) anytime between now and Toonie Tuesday (February 25th).

<u>PINK SHIRT DAY - FEBRUARY 26TH:</u> Every year, Pink Shirt Day falls on the last Wednesday of February. Wearing a pink shirt on this day is a reminder to others to practice kindness and stand up against bullying.

#### **Disrupting Use of Racial Slurs**

We are continuing to encounter incidents of students using racial and homophobic slurs at Huntley, in particular, ongoing use of the N-word. Many students seem to think that it is, "just a bad word" like other expletives or profanities, despite the work of educators and guest speakers to disrupt and teach students about the history of this word and the significant harm it causes. To support the work we are doing, I encourage you to engage in conversations with your child to gain an understanding of their knowledge and awareness, and to ensure they are not using this language or engaging in games where there is an approximation of this language being used. Our messaging is that this language is never acceptable and has no place at school.

Your partnership and support is greatly appreciated.

# **School Council News**

## **Lunch Lady**

Reminder: The Lunch Lady is on Wednesdays and can be ordered directly through their website weekly. For more information on this please take a look at <u>The Lunch Lady</u> page on our website.

# **Little Caesars Fundraisers**

This is the last week of our Little Caesars fundraiser! We are at 30% of our goal! Help us break 100 boxes (only 32 more to go!) by checking out the options for frozen pizza, bread, and cookie kits. Huntley receives **\$6.00** on each kit ordered!! Stock up and enjoy some easy meals and treats!



Go to http://www.pizzakit.ca/fundraising-products?shop=1&f=454976&s=1042334

Your Organization Name: Huntley Centennial Public School

Fundraiser ID #: 454976

Select Ship My Order to the Group

Set up your account, and place your order!

Order deadline: March 2nd

Delivery will be at the school on Wednesday, March 19th from 2:30 - 4 pm

\*\*As this is a frozen product - please make sure you mark down the pick-up date.

They need to be picked up on the 19th.

Don't forget to pass the word around to friends and family!

If you have any questions please contact <a href="https://hepsparentcouncil@gmail.com">https://hepsparentcouncil@gmail.com</a>

# **Upcoming Fundraisers & Events**

Stay tuned for more information on these - a dance in March, McDonald's night (save the date - April 23rd) and custom HCPS Croc Jibbitz!



## **Lost & Found**

Our lost and found has piled up again! We will be setting up tables and organizing the items this week. We will share photos on the Facebook group. Stop by later in the week to see if anything belongs to your student!

## Mabel's Labels

Reminder: We have an ongoing fundraiser with Mabel's Labels - check out what they have to offer! https://huntleycentennial.org/mabels-labels/

Help us keep the lost and found down and earn a little bit back to the school!

# **Muffin Mondays - Staff Appreciation**

**Bakers needed!** We are bringing back our Muffin Mondays to show some appreciation to our wonderful Huntley staff. Muffins Mondays are a simple way for us to bring a little joy on a Monday morning! Council asks for bakers to prepare (or

buy) a dozen muffins for one of our planned dates (March 3rd and April 7th). If you can help us out with a dozen muffins for either of the dates we would greatly appreciate it, please email us at hcpsparentcouncil@gmail.com

#### **Stay Connected**

Don't forget to join our Facebook group: Huntley Centennial Parent Group

Did you know Council has a website? Check it out <u>HERE</u>, you can find meeting minutes, fundraiser information on what we do, where the funds raised go, and so much more!

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