EZ SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWSLETTER WINTER 2015

SCHOOL COUNCIL FOCUS

The EZ School Council is an advisory body that works with the administration to improve student achievement and communication with parents/ guardians. Council meets eight times throughout the school year with the principal and vice-principal to set priorities for the school and enhance student learning.

Council has four key focus areas; Literacy and Numeracy, Community Engagement, Healthy Living, and Arts and Culture. We direct funds to projects and activities that fall within these key areas. Past projects have included schoolyard greening, One Book, One School sessions, parenting workshops and subsidizing school bus rentals for field trips. Always online?

We encourage you to attend our next meeting on Thursday, April 23 so you can have your say where our fundraising dollars are directed.



Council recently funded one field trip bus rental per class. Watch for info about a class trip!

Volunteer as Council's

Social Media Guru!

COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHT

Words Out

Words Out is a School Council sponsored literacy initiative that exposes students to a variety of literacy projects including author visits, writing workshops, a book club (One Book, One School) and EZ World, a student-produced magazine.

Currently, the magazine team is compiling entries for the 2nd edition of EZ World. The magazine will feature works from students in JK through grade 6. Older grades are responsible for editing and producing the magazine with guidance from staff and parent volunteers.

Funds raised by the upcoming Dance-a-Thon are subsidizing the EZ World production costs. In late spring students will be able to purchase this memento featuring their own work and that of friends.

SCHOOL EVENTS

On a cold February evening, EZ parents attended a workshop offered by KW Counselling where Bev Voisin (MSW) offered information on recognizing and coping with childhood anxiety. These School Council sponsored events are always popular so stay tuned for more interesting workshops in fall 2015.

LOST AND FOUND

Well, mostly just lost. The school bin is overflowing so be sure to check it soon before items are donated to a local shelter. Join Council's Facebook page and watch for regular photos of the bin's contents.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/elzps

FUNDRAISING INFO

Professor Jamz will visit EZ on March 5 to spin his tunes while students dance to the beat and raise an impressive \$3500 to fund EZ literacy projects. As an added bonus, one student in each grade wins twenty UpTown Dollars to spend anywhere in UpTown Waterloo.

Veseys Seeds

With the warm weather (slowly) approaching, planting season will be here soon and we have everything you need to get your garden growing. Once again, we're partnering

with Veseys to raise funds for EZ projects. Order forms will go home in early April. Submit your bulb and seed order by

> Thursday, April 16, 2015. Orders will be sent home with students in midto-late May, just in time for the planting season!

funded classroom games and puzzles to keep the kids busy on the

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blustery days when outdoor breaks are cancelled.



WHO AM I -**UPDATE**

So, who was that cutie in the velour

turtleneck? It was Mr. Day (one of our Physical Education teachers) of course!



For more info. find us online: elz.wrdsb.ca

SHARE WITH US

Have a hobby you want to share with the kids? Great at math? Crazy about science? Contact us about leading a theme night at EZ.

QUESTIONS? CONCERNS? SUGGESTIONS?

Contact EZ School Council: ezparentcouncil@gmail.com



