



## Englewood Home and School Newsletter

March 2023

\*\*We have a new secretary!\*\* Welcome Krystal Rice to the Home & School executive! 😊

### Pam's Playground Update

In our January newsletter we reported that our total was at \$24,000. Our corporate sponsors are starting to roll in, with generous donations from local businesses and groups like The Blue Goose (\$1000), the South Shore Pharmacy (\$5000) and St. John's Anglican Church (\$5000)! We have received several generous personal donations and corporate donations as well. Our total now stands at \$41,000. We need lots of help soliciting donations from businesses, and have been focusing on Island owned businesses because they make donation decisions at a local level. We are hoping to raise \$50,000 from corporate sponsors and we're at \$17,000 right now. To help please email Rachael ([rachael.inglewoodhomeandschool@gmail.com](mailto:rachael.inglewoodhomeandschool@gmail.com)) for a copy of the sponsorship letter to send to companies that you know! If you'd prefer a hard copy there will be some on the table in the school lobby. We are keeping track of who we send letters to in order to provide follow up, so send Rachael an email or a Facebook message to let her know who you're sending your letters to.

Update on our ongoing fundraisers:

- **COSPEI Gold Rush Weekly Draws:** These weekly draws have raised over \$500 since January for our Pam's Playground fund! For every entry fee of \$5 (that supports Englewood), we receive \$1.66. With an average of 40 people participating in the last several weeks, that adds up quickly for us! 😊 When you set your account to "Autopay" you will be automatically entered each week and don't run the risk of forgetting - imagine having your name drawn and missing out on \$1400, \$3100, \$5400, or even \$8300 (like the last four non-winners!) because you forgot to enter! With Autopay you never have to worry about missing a draw. Sign up at: [cospei.goldrush.causable.io](https://cospei.goldrush.causable.io)
- **FlipGive:** This is an app on your smartphone that allows you to shop online or buy gift cards, and a small percentage of the amount goes towards our playground fund. It is completely free for you! Sign up at [flipgive.com](https://flipgive.com) using the code 7V5MP9 to join the Englewood Team. FlipGive was created to help families reduce fees for student athletes, but since we are using it for a school fundraiser, just click on "Supporter" when prompted. There are a small group of us using it so far and we're excited to have more people join! It's so easy to use and requires almost zero effort. There was a video posted recently on our Facebook page explaining a little more about it if you'd like to know more!

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## Recent News

- Our Staff Appreciation Week (Feb. 13-17th) was a huge success! A team of parent volunteers hosted a potluck lunch for the staff on Wednesday which was well received. Thanks to the generosity of our school community, every single staff member won a gift card, prize or gift certificate in our daily draws! Some of them had to be patient though - thanks to the Friday snow day on the 17th and the Monday snow day on the 6th, the last batch of winners had to wait! The winner of the biggest prize (a Bridge Pass) just so happened to be our own Principal Mr. Randy Reardon! 😊

## Upcoming Events

- **Potts Sleigh Ride:** Englewood K-9 students will be heading to Potts Sleigh Rides in Bonshaw on Monday, March 20th. Families are asked to send in \$3 per student. The Home & School will cover the remainder of the cost.
- **Scholastic Book Fair:** will be held next week! You will be hearing from your child's classroom teachers about this and it will be open for parents to shop on Thursday evening (during parent teacher interviews).
- **Parent Teacher Interviews:** Thursday March 23rd (afternoon & evening) & Friday March 24th (no school for students that day). Home & School will be catering a meal for the teachers during this time.
- **Tues. Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>: Regular Home and School Meeting,** 6:30-8pm, school library (or virtually on Microsoft Teams at <https://teams.live.com/meet/9382208207960>)
- **PEI Home & School Federation Annual General Meeting** will be hosted at the Rodd Charlottetown on Saturday, April 15th (8:45am-1:30pm, includes lunch). Englewood Home & School sponsors a few parents to attend each year. Talk to Rachael if you're interested in attending.

Thank you for your support!

→ Englewood Home & School

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