

Englewood Home and School Newsletter - December 2023



Well Deserved Thank YOUs → A big THANK YOU goes out to Katie Vail who hosted the Englewood School Craft Fair on October 28th - this event raised just under \$1000! An event like this is a lot of work to host and the Englewood community is grateful for her support! A big THANK YOU to our school staff and volunteers who hosted a successful Spooktacular event on October 26th - this event raised just over \$800! The funds from the craft fair and the Spooktacular went into the school budget, and are almost enough to purchase one more classroom audio FM system. Finally, we are so grateful for Stacey

Hardy who has been running our coupon book fundraiser for the last several years. This fall the coupon books raised just over \$1000! This money goes into the Home & School budget. Check out the next page of this newsletter to read about our latest purchase with these funds. THANK YOU Stacey!

Pam's Playground Update → Our eight recycled plastic benches have arrived! They are great quality, large and comfortable. Three are installed on the basketball court and the rest are currently being built and installed. Also, if you notice the basketball backboards go missing in the next few weeks, it wasn't Engle the Englewood Christmas Elf, it is Mallard Painting - they have been hired to paint the backboards! They have also agreed to paint all of our yellow soccer goalposts in



the spring when the weather is warmer (and the paint can set properly). The play structure installation is planned for May 2024! These projects are possible thanks to all of your support! Thank you!!



Englewood Christmas Flea Market → Our Christmas Flea Market is open for students THIS Friday (Dec. 15th) from 8:30am-noon! Teachers will take their classes down to the library to shop at the market, and volunteers will help the students shop and wrap their presents. Items will cost between \$1-\$5 each and the proceeds are going towards new FM audio systems for the classrooms! Donations for flea market items are being accepted

until Thursday at 2:45pm. We could really use items for men, lots of tissue paper and gift bags!

If you are available to help (either to set up Thursday afternoon or for the market Friday morning) please check out the virtual sign up list at (link is also posted to our Facebook group): https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA4A92AA7F8C61-46287817-englewood

<u>Christmas Skate</u> → A big Shout Out to our Englewood Bus Drivers!! Instead of treats for their students, our bus drivers generously sponsored the student skate happening on Friday, December 22nd at the South Shore Arena. Ice time is expensive and we are grateful for this generous gift!! Thank you!!

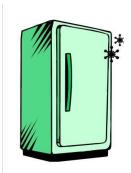
Skates and Helmets: A representative of the South Side Minor Hockey Association has reached out to us to offer the use of skates and helmets for any students requiring them. If your child/children require skates and/or helmets, please send size information to home room teachers as soon as possible. Someone will be in the building on Thursday the 21st to fit helmets and skates.

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<u>Cathy Cairns Retirement</u> → Cathy's last day with students is Dec. 22nd. Our beloved Administrative Assistant (who celebrated her 60th birthday this past Monday!) has been doing her job for 40 years and she's been an Englewood Bulldog for 34 years! We will miss her tons and we also hope she has a well deserved retirement!

COSPEI Gold Rush → These \$5 draws don't stop for the holidays - weekly draws are on Tuesdays at 1pm! More and more schools are joining which means the weekly pots are getting larger.. make sure you sign up for AutoPay so you don't forget to enter over the break! We are so grateful for your support in this ongoing fundraiser - we reached a new milestone lately and we made over \$500 in the month of November! This ongoing fundraiser has transformed our Home & School budget and allows us to be able to support students & staff in new and exciting ways. Our most recent purchase was upgrading our freezers in the school kitchen! We now have two upright freezers to replace our two smaller, older less efficient models. This helps us save electricity, space, and allows us to store more items for our food programs. Thank you for your support!!



Dates	Upcoming Events
Thurs. Dec. 14th	- Christmas Flea Market setup 2:45-4:45pm - Englewood Christmas Concert, 6:30pm (students should arrive between 6-6:15pm and head to their classrooms!)
Fri. Dec. 15th	Christmas Flea Market (8:30 am-12 noon)
Tues. Dec. 19th	Summerside Capitals Hockey Game - students will board buses at 9:45am and return around 2:15pm; Grades K-6 need to bring a packed lunch; Jr. High students can take a lunch or take money for the canteen.
Fri. Dec. 22nd	- School Skate - Grades K-4 9:00-10:00am, Grades 5-9 10:00-11:00am. Parent volunteers are welcome to meet at the rink to help tie skates! - Cathy's Last Day
Thurs. Dec. 28th	PEI School Food Orders due for the week of Jan. 8th-12th (due by noon)

**Mark on your January calendars:

Mon. Jan. 8th: Students' first day back

Tues. Jan. 9th: Home & School Meeting, 6:30-8pm

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