



December 2014



Hartman Herald

Is it December already? The beginning of the school year has flown by. When we reflect on the last few months, the word generosity comes to mind. We are grateful to the families who gave so generously to our Terry Fox Campaign, "We Scare Hunger" Food Drive and the Kidney Foundation Clothing Drive. We are making a difference at Hartman.

This month the Hartman Community will be participating in a Hat and Mitten Drive to support families in our community. We are collecting mittens and hats that can be placed on our "Mitten Tree" in front of the office. These items will be donated to local agencies in York Region. Thank you for helping to support families in need!

The Holiday Extravaganza is coming quickly (December 10 & 11th). Students and staff have been working very hard over the last month and we know the performance will be great. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Finally, whether you are spending the winter holiday travelling or staying closer to home, on behalf of the staff at Hartman we wish you a safe and relaxing holiday.

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Winter Break begins Monday, December 22, 2014.
School resumes Monday January 5, 2015.

Brrr...It's Getting Cold Outside



Dressing for the Weather

Chillier temperatures are here! Students should come to school dressed appropriately for the weather conditions. During the colder months students can stay warm by wearing layers of loose-fitting clothing, a hat, scarf, mitts or gloves. If students walk to school, bright-coloured and reflective pieces of clothing help make them visible to drivers. It is advisable for students to bring extra pants and socks in case they get wet.

Students are expected to go outdoors at recess and lunch time. Students benefit from short periods of outdoor exercise. We do not have supervised health room facilities, therefore students who are ill should stay at home with an adult. Thanks for keeping healthy!

Hartman Remembers

Hartman P.S. continued to build on our “Wall of Honour” for Remembrance week. On this wall we proudly displayed the names of family and friends who served in a war (World War I, World War II, the Korean War and peacekeeping missions). We were fortunate to have the musical talent of the York Regional Police Male Chorus at both of our assemblies. Their presence was both regal and awe inspiring to all that could join us on this solemn occasion.



HEALTHY SCHOOLS

Our **snack program** continues to be a big hit here at Hartman. Students love biting into a juicy apple or eating yummy carrots during snack time.

Hartman continues to promote Walking to school with classes having the highest percentages of walkers winning the **"GOLDEN SHOE" AWARD!** November winners were; Ms. Bona's, Ms. Grant's, Ms. Shillolo's and Ms. Fisher's class. Congratulations to all of you!



Let's stay fit and help the environment this December with our "I-Walk Wednesday's" theme of **"Jingle Bell"** Walk. Students are encouraged to wear their bells and jingle all the way to school with family and friends! Wearing seasonal hats can easily make this day memorable. Photos of walkers and their special hats jingling to school will be posted on the Healthy Schools bulletin board. I-Walk... Do You?

Winter Electives Are Coming Soon!

We are pleased to announce that Hartman's Annual Winter Electives will be running on Friday, February 6th, (Sports Day) and March 10th (Arts Day). On Sports Day, students from grades 1-3 will have the opportunity to choose from a variety of activities such as: skating, trampolining, circus training, indoor park play, and bowling, while grade 4-8 students will choose from activities such as: mini golf, laser tag, tubing, skiing, bowling, and ultimate trampolining. As always we wish to encourage healthy living and daily physical activity at Hartman, and Sports Day is a fun and unique way to do so! In addition to participating in physical activities we recognize the importance of fostering the arts, and therefore will once again have an Elective Day dedicated entirely to the Arts. On Arts Day, students will participate in a variety of activities such as drama, dance, and art. On Wednesday, December 3rd, the Elective Registration forms will be sent home. Most options have limited space, and will fill up on a first come, first serve basis. So please send back forms with payment ASAP in order to avoid disappointment!



French Immersion Information Sessions and Registrations

Information sessions for the French Immersion (FI) program will take place at Aurora Grove Public School on January 15, 2015 at 7 p.m. FI registration will begin January 16, 2015. In order to streamline the registration process, parents or guardians of Senior Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2015, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can visit or call the school office and request an *Office Index Card - short version*. The Office Index Card must be signed by the principal of the home school. Parents or guardians then take this form, along with one piece of identification showing their address to Aurora Grove Public School to register between January 16 and February 13, 2015. This eliminates the need to provide duplicate enrollment information or to pre-register.

YRDSB's FI Accommodation Plan provides long-term consistency and equity of access to all students in York Region and will enable YRDSB to continue to offer the FI program to all who wish to enrol. The FI program will be offered in Dual Track or Single Track settings, in a variety of configurations. In order to meet community needs and optimize available space in our schools, a community's Grade 1-8 FI program may be provided over more than one school during the course of a student's FI education. This will allow flexibility in addressing community needs and the opportunity to use existing space in schools. More information is available on the Board's website: www.yrdsb.ca. Please note: Some of the FI accommodation plans will require facility modifications or the development of new schools and will require short-term transition plans that might include overflow while we work toward the long-term vision. Overflow refers to situations in which the Board directs students to attend a school other than their community school or optional program for a specific period of time, as defined in Policy #108.

Kindergarten Registration to Commence January 16, 2015

Kindergarten registration will commence on January 16, 2015 for the 2015-16 school year. Registration forms are available on YRDSB's website: www.yrdsb.ca. Children who turn four or five years old during 2015, live within the school boundary and whose parents are public school tax supporters will be eligible to register for kindergarten. A kindergarten information session for parents is being planned for this spring. For more information please visit the YRDSB website or contact your local school.

A Message From School Council

Hi Hartman Community!

Council has been busy supporting school events and hosting some initiatives. The following are some upcoming events:

1. Holiday Food drive - If you can, **please bring in a non-perishable donation by Dec 12.** If you are attending Extravaganza we ask you bring an item in those nights! Please see an attached letter.

2. Miko toy warehouse sales. If you shop at this warehouse **between Dec 10 and Dec 21**, state you are from Hartman, and have your receipt stamped. If you send in this stamped receipt by end of Jan, we will receive a donation back to the school. Please see attached letter.

3. QSP magazine online sales - continue.

4. Fundscrip Gift Cards - thank you for supporting this initiative!

5. Holiday trees are on display. We have two, one in the office (red and green) and one in the lobby (for the mittens and hats).

6. Festive Holiday cabinet display - please note the display. If you would like to have some items on display, please send in by Tuesday Dec 9 with your name clearly on the items. They will be kept behind a locked glass cabinet and ready for pick up prior to the holidays!

Please read the council bulletin board for all updates (across from the beside the display case). In discussions are Hartman Movie Nights and Sub lunch. Stay tuned for further details!

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 15, 2015 @ 6:30 pm in the Library.

Need a last minute holiday gift idea?

GIVE THE GIFT OF READING!

*Order a magazine subscription for someone special
this holiday season!*



Simply go to www.QSP.ca and start shopping.

Use the Account Finder to find our Group Online ID 3742772 to support our school and children.

Remember, you can order a magazine for anyone who lives in Canada. It's cheaper than wrapping and mailing a gift and it lasts all year long!

Many magazines purchased through our recent fundraiser will begin to arrive in the next several weeks, but some subscriptions due to publishing schedules may take longer to start. If you have questions, please contact QSP Customer Service at

1-800-667-253

100% Satisfaction Guarantee!

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR MAGAZINE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN!



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Did you Know:

In 2011 the Aurora Food pantry fed over 7,000 people in need in our community? Hartmann P. S. has been a supporter of the Food Bank and with your support, continues to help out.

Holiday Food Drive

Our Holiday Food Drive runs until the Friday after the Extravaganza, that's Friday December 12!

Bring a nonperishable food item when attending the Holiday Extravaganza.

Extravaganza nights are Dec 10 and 11 and pre-ordered tickets are limited!

There will be a box just in the lobby just outside the gym entrance. Come, enjoy the show and bring your donation!

*If you are not attending the show,
please consider sending a donation with your child or
dropping off a donation in the school office!*

Thank you for your donation!

A Message From School Council



Shop at either the Toronto or Richmond Hill locations of Samko & Miko Toy Warehouse from **enter December 10 to December 21** and Samko & Miko will donate 10% of your purchase to **Hartman Public School!** Feel free to share with your friends and family.

It's as easy as 1, 2, 3!

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SHOP

WHEN:

December 10, 2014
to
December 21, 2014

WHERE:

2 LOCATIONS

Toronto

77 Fima Cres
M8W 3R1

-or-

Richmond Hill

60 East Beaver Creek Rd
L4B 1L3

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STAMP

Inform the cashier that you are part of a fundraiser by providing the cashier with our group name:

Hartman Public School

They will then stamp the back of your original itemized receipt.

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SUBMIT

Submit your ORIGINAL itemized stamped receipt to **the office (either Ms. Vanderveeken or Ms. Bailey)** by **Friday, January 23rd, 2015 (or earlier)**

****Keep a photocopy or scan of your receipt. Samko & Miko will accept a photocopy or scan of your receipt in the event that an item is defective and needs to be replaced****

See the attached Samko & Miko Toy Warehouse flyer for maps, hours of operation and some of their specials

THE YORK CENTRE FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES PRESENTS ITS

25th Anniversary

Christmas Concert

Sunday, December 21, 2014

4:00 p.m.

Unionville Alliance Church

**4898 16th Avenue, Unionville
(just west of McCowan Rd.)**



Special Guests

Michael Burgess

Jackalyn Short

Mark Masri

Toronto Mass Choir

Young Singers Children's Chorus

*For tickets call: 905-887-5896 or
905-294-5230 (evenings)*

Ticket Prices: General admission: \$25

Group rate: \$20 (groups of 15 or more)

Reserved seating also available - \$40 & \$50

