

Mazo Matters: Monday, November 20-24, 2023

Dear Mazo Parent(s)/ Guardian(s):

Throughout the YRDSB system network challenges, we thank you for your patience and understanding. As you may have noticed, the Edsby River is updated regularly with information about upcoming events and the *Mazo Matters* will also be posted on this platform moving forward as a second access point. Edsby continues to be functional while our internal email distribution system remains down. Please check the Edsby River which is made up of two or three parts; an image, the body of the message and sometimes an attachment which is found at the bottom of the body of the email as a PDF.

This week:

Monday, November 20, 2023	Tuesday, November 21, 2023	Wednesday, November 22, 2023	Thursday, November 23, 2023	Friday, November 24, 2023
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5

School Lunch Programs

Zucca's lunches for the month of December and January, may be purchased at www.schoolcashonline.com. The deadline for ordering is at midnight on **Sunday, November 26.**Please note, this session will include **5 weeks**. These include: December 1st, 8th and 15th (not the 22nd), January 12th (not the 19th, as it is a PA Day) and the 26th. Unfortunately, no late orders can be accepted. Bon appetit!

School Council

We invite our Mazo parent(s)/ guardian(s) to our November School Council meeting on Monday, November 20th from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm in the Library/Learning commons or via Google Meet. Please find the agenda as a second attachment. Within the agenda, you will see the Google Meet link across the top. In addition, you may access the agenda and link in the Edsby River.

Pizza Lunch Dates

If you have ordered pizza for your child, please note the remaining dates for this session:

- November: 23, 30
- December: 7, 14

We thank your School Council and our volunteers for making pizza lunches possible.

Food Drive: November 13 - December 11

The Mazo Intermediate Student Leadership Team is running a food drive for our local Newmarket Food Pantry. This initiative will run from **November 13th to December 11th, 2023.** We would greatly appreciate it if you could donate non-perishable food items, toiletries or baby items (such as diapers and baby formula). Donations can be dropped off in the boxes in our front foyer, or the donation box in your child's classroom. Please consider bringing in donations when you come into the school for parent teacher interviews on November 16th and 17th. Thank you in advance for your interest in supporting our Newmarket community.

Coats for Kids

We thank our generous community for your winter wear donations to date. These donations will be helpful to our local community. We continue to look for new or gently used washed hats, mittens/gloves, coats, snow pants, boots, scarves and neck warmers/earmuffs. We are looking for all sizes from infants to adults. Our most in demand items are adult coats, small to extra-large. In the last 2 years, the Mazo community has donated over 1000 articles of clothing for the Lion's Club. There will be a bin in the office for all donations. You can send your child(ren) to school with your winter wear donations between **Monday, October 30 and December 15, 2023**. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found collection of items is increasing. If your child is missing clothing items, please remind him/her/ them to visit the Lost and Found to see if their lost items have been retrieved. Items that remain on December 18th (the week leading to the winter break), will be donated.

Mazo Marketplace

Do you have gently used items that you no longer use, such as games, toys, books, stuffed animals or small electronic toys, household items? Might they be enjoyed in another home? If so, we invite you to donate them to our school! (No clothing or shoes, please).

We will have a one-day *Mazo Marketplace* sale. This will allow students to donate and/or purchase items during their designated time slot. All of the money will go towards our School Council, which supports offsetting the cost of experiences like guest speakers, field trips and graduation.

We welcome gently used items that you no longer use such as games, toys, books, stuffed animals or small electronic toys. All items will be priced at \$1 during the sale.

Donations: may be made from **Monday, November 20 – Friday, December 1** and placed in the Conference Room. This room is located on your right hand side of the main entrance to the school. **Mazo Marketplace One-Day Sale: Friday, December 8, 2023.** Each class will have a time slot during the school day for visiting our Mazo Marketplace.

We look forward to this experience for our students and we are grateful to our volunteers for their organization and time. Yours truly, Mazo School Council.

Immunization Reminder

A vaccine clinic for Grade 7 and 8 will take place all day in the library for Meningococcal A C Y W (vaccine required for school attendance), HPV and Hepatitis B.

Upcoming Dates

- October 30th- December 15: Coats for Kids Drive
- November 13-December 11: Food Drive
- November 20, Trans Day of Remembrance
- November 20 December 1: Mazo Marketplace Donations
- November 20: School Council, Library and virtual at 6:30 pm
- November 22: Grade 7 and 6 Vaccine Clinic
- November 27 December 1: Gr. 3 Gifted Screening
- December 25- January 5: Winter Break
- January 8: School Resumes

Sincerely.

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