



Hello Everyone:

As we enter March, I would like to welcome Mr. Sebastien Kundra to our staff here at Pioneer Park. Mr. Kundra will be working with the students of P4 as Mrs. Peters Stork begins her maternity leave. I wish to thank Mrs. Stork for her work with the students of P4 this year and wish her well as she prepares for the arrival of the newest member of Peters Stork family.

On Friday, March 13, our School Council will be hosting our annual Dance-a-thon fundraiser. Please consider sponsoring your child at this event as our School Council has earmarked the proceeds to help purchase additional technological devices for our school. To date, our School Council has helped purchase digital projectors, document cameras, and chrome books for use in our classrooms. We are extremely grateful for the support of our School Council.

Panther Hockey has been operating since 2002. It is a valuable program where many of our students have had the opportunity to participate in our national game at no charge to families. In partnership with the Kitchener Southwest Optimist Club, we are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner / Silent Auction on Wednesday, March 25th to support this wonderful program. Tickets are \$5.00 per person and can be purchased at Main Office. Please help support Panther Hockey.

At this time of year, principals begin the process of planning for the next school year. To help me with my planning, I am requesting your help. Although Kindergarten registration has been completed, I do recognize that there may be kindergarten aged children (born 2010 or 2011) who have not yet registered for school. If you have a kindergarten aged student who has not yet registered, please call the Main Office to complete the registration process. Please pass this information along to any families that you know of who also have students who are age appropriate for kindergarten. Also, if you are planning to move out of our Pioneer Park area, I would appreciate knowing about this. By doing so, I can contact your child's new school so they too can plan appropriately.

As we continue our work in Term 2, I would like to thank our parents for their support as we strive to provide a quality educational experience for all students. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Glenn A. Kitamura
Principal

Dates to Remember

Mar. 5 , April 2, 16, 30	Pizza Days – NEW now from Dominos!
SUNDAY Mar. 8	Daylight Savings Time Starts—turn clocks ahead 1 hour
Mar. 12, 26, Apr. 9 & 23	Subway Sub Days—order online @ lunchboxorders.com
Mar. 13	Dance-a-thon Fundraiser—Please sponsor generously SEE page 3 for more details
Mar. 13	BOOSTER JUICE Day! - first nutrition break—order online @ lunchboxorders.com
Mar. 14 to 22	MARCH BREAK—NO SCHOOL
Mar. 16	School Council Meetings CANCELLED due to March Break
Mar. 23	BACK TO SCHOOL
Mar. 25	Panther Hockey/Southwest Optimist Club Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction 5:00-6:30 pm
Mar. 27	Pajama Day—wear your favourite PJs to school
Apr. 3 & 6	EASTER WEEKEND—no school on Good Friday & Easter Monday
Apr. 16	Spring Photo Day/Sibling Photo Day—Wear your biggest SMILE
Apr. 17	PD DAY—No School
Apr. 24	Character from a Book Spirit Day—Start planning your costume now

NOTE: Please remember our School is SCENT FREE and PEANUT/NUT FREE. Please do not enter the school if you are wearing any type of scented product. In accordance with our School Board's Policies, WOW butter is not permitted at school. Please do not send this with your child. This includes the Bear Paws containing WOW butter.



GET IN THE HABIT NOW.
CHECK OUT THE NEWSLETTER
ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE!
<http://pio.wrdsb.on.ca>



BAG2SCHOOL

Pioneer Park School council is pleased to announce that our school has organized another clothing collection with [Bag2School](#) to raise funds for the school on May 22, 2015.

[Bag2School](#) provides **free fund raising** for schools, churches, and sports organizations and, since its inception in 2001, has helped raise over **\$20,000,000** in Canada, USA, Great Britain and Holland.

By getting involved with this clothing collection you have an opportunity to help raise funds for your school as well as **helping the environment** by diverting unwanted textiles away from land fill sites. In addition, it will help raise the students' awareness of the benefits of the 3 "R's"—Reuse, **Recycle and Reduce**.

Please donate any unwanted clothing - hats, belts, purses, footwear (tied in pairs please) - and soft/stuffed toys, bedding, drapes. If your donation bag is not big enough for all of your items, you can use any other type of bag(s) as well.

To help raise the maximum funds for your school, please ask your relatives, neighbours and friends to go through their closets too – a team effort makes all the difference!



Start collecting your items for May 22 drop off!
Please do not send your items in any earlier than May 22 as we do not have sufficient storage space.

[Bag2School](#) will help us raise funds by paying our school **\$200/ton**.
Visit www.bag2school.ca for more information

Kindergarten Registration continues



For Children born in 2010 & 2011



Please call the school and arrange to pick up paperwork for registration at 519-748-0142

If you have a neighbour who might have children who need to register, please pass along this information.

IF your child is currently in JK at Pioneer Park, there is no need to re-register for SK



Southwest Kitchener Optimist Club and Pioneer Park Panther Hockey are hosting a **Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction on Wed. March 25 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm.**

Tickets are \$5.00 each and children under 3 are Free! Please purchase your tickets from the office as soon as possible. Dinner will be TASTY and our silent auction includes lots of wonderful items, including hockey

FRIDAY, MARCH 13th IS OUR DANCE-A-THON FUNDRAISING DAY!!



Collect your pledges and bring them to school before Wed, March 11.
Students are not encouraged to go door-to-door.

Students are invited to make on-line music requests prior to the big event. Visit www.professorjamz.com and click on the "Kidz Lab" and then select "Pioneer Park" from the list of schools to see cool kid-friendly videos and make music requests.

Each class will have an opportunity to dance in the gym over the course of the day.

Glow items (bracelets, sticks, etc) will be available for purchase at a cost of \$1 to \$3 per item.

THANK YOU for SUPPORTING our fundraising efforts!!!

A special thanks to our School Council Members for all their hard work in making this a great fundraiser. Proceeds are earmarked for new technology!



REMINDER

Attendance line phone number

519-570-8115 X 3632

Report all absences and lates to this number.

Please take the time to update this number in your home phone directory or cell phone directory.

PLEASE NOTE: you must press # after entering the ext number

CAUGHT...READING!!!

Here are some of our Panthers deeply engrossed in reading!

Keep it up and your photo may appear next month!



Please continue to collect:

Campbell's Soup Labels

Goldfish Cracker UPCs

KoolAid Jammer packaging

