

WOSS LOTTERY IS STILL ON!

Lottery fundraising calendars are still available. For more information, contact wosscouncil@cogeco.ca or wosscouncil@gmail.com.

SPORTS NEWS

All Halton school sports stats and schedules are posted on the following website: www.hssaa.org

MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ever wonder what is happening at the school on a day to day basis? Now you can read the same morning announcements that you son or daughter get on the school website (www.wossweb.com).

WOSS SCHOOL/PARENT COUNCIL MEETINGS (NEXT MEETING is November 17)

Meetings start at 7 p.m. and refreshments are provided. Contact wosscouncil@cogeco.ca or wosscouncil@gmail.com if you would like an agenda to be sent prior to the meeting. [Enter through the South Campus main doors (off Montclair), turn right, keep to the left of the stairwell, and enter the first door on your left after the double doors.]

WOSS School Council has a webpage – go to www.wossweb.com and select **School Council Website** under Quicklinks. You will find information on school councils in general, past meeting minutes, meeting dates for this year, and more.

If you would like your name removed from our mailing list or you are receiving duplicates, e-mail wosscouncil@cogeco.ca.

WOSS E-News November/December 2008

Welcome to **WOSS E-News**, a regular e-mail message to WOSS parents and community members.

UPDATE YOUR CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Nov. 3 to 7 Graduation Photos

Nov. 4 Term 1 Ends (Semester 1)

Nov. 5 Term 2 Begins (Semester 1)

Nov. 5 Take Your Kids to Work Day

Nov. 7 Professional Activity Day – no classes

Nov. 11 Remembrance Day Observance

Nov. 17 School to Career Assemblies

Nov. 17 Semester 1 Mid-Term Report Cards mailed for Semestered and Desemestered Courses

Nov. 19 Full Disclosure

Nov. 20 Parent-Teacher Interviews for all Semestered and Desemestered Courses

DECEMBER

Dec. 4 ALP/IB Open House 7:30PM South Campus Cafetorium

Dec. 5 Professional Activity Day – no classes

Dec. 22 to Jan. 2 Christmas Break – no classes

Call the school, 905-845-5200 X227, if you have any queries about the above events.

SCHOOL WEBSITE www.wossweb.com

LOOKING FOR DONATIONS

WOSS School Council is looking for donations of items that can be auctioned off for fundraising purposes. Items such as theatre and sports tickets, sports memorabilia and equipment, electronics, and so on would be appreciated. Contact wossCouncil@cogeco.ca.

CONTACTING YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER

More and more parents are using e-mail to communicate with their child's teachers. Both parents and teachers are finding it effective and practical. Each teacher's e-mail address is the last name and first initial and then @hdsb.ca (e.g., John Smith's e-mail is smithj@hdsb.ca). Keep a copy your child's Semester 1 schedule so you have your child's teachers' names handy.

A staff directory is available on the school web site, www.wossweb.com. Go to **Parents** and click on **Staff Directory**. Each teacher's voice mail extension is also listed.

CHECKING YOUR CHILD'S ATTENDANCE

HDSB has an Internet attendance system for parents where they can access their children's attendance record (for students under 18 years of age). If your child is late for a class, you may still get a phone or e-mail message saying that your child was away. This is a great way to check to see if, in fact, your child was absent or late. It is updated daily. You can also access your child's credit status.

Parents need their child's student number, which is on their child's schedule and student card.

Go to www.wossweb.com, select **Parent Attendance Portal** under Quicklinks. Enter the student number and date of birth. A schedule will be displayed and then you can choose which class you want to check attendance for. At the top of the display will also be a link to your child's credit summary.