

Wednesday Warrior

December 13, 2017



We would like congratulate our debate team on hosting our first debate tournament last night. We welcomed 11 schools to the event and are proud to share that we performed very well and that 4 of our teams have qualified for the upcoming regional tournament that takes place in the new year.

It is also nice to share accomplishments of our students who are doing great things outside of school. We would like to congratulate Maria Petryk for qualifying in 1st place in provincial gymnastics and will be competing the upcoming Winter Games in February! Maria scored the highest point average at the most competitive level in the province – amazing!

As mentioned last week, in addition to the Christmas Story Drama Performance, the Henry Wise Wood Christmas concert will take place on **Tuesday, December 19, 2017 at 7pm at the school**. Please come out and support our fantastic musicians. There is no charge for this concert. We would like families to be able to visit after the concert and ask that you bring a treat to share in the courtyard after our concert is finished.

After an amazing season, we are looking forward to celebrating the accomplishments of our football players at the Football Banquet on Thursday December 14 at 6pm at The Ramada.

Please note that the principal of Joane Cardinal Shubert, Mr. Garry Tink, will now be joining us on **December 20 from 11:15am-12:00pm in rm. 108**. He will be talking about the programs and planning for next year and answer questions from the students. We will ask teachers to send gr. 10 students from Mahogany to his presentation but would also ask parents to remind students about this upcoming date change.

Michelle Howell
Principal

Important Dates:

Dec 13 – 15 A Christmas Story
Dec 19 Band/Music Christmas Concert
Dec 22 Non-Instructional Day (no school)

Holiday Spirit Week –

Monday Dec 18th – Holiday Sock Day
Tuesday Dec 19th – Holiday Pajamas
Wednesday Dec 20th – Holiday Hat/Headwear Day
Thursday Dec 21st – Holiday Sweater Day

School Updates:

Talent Show – Thank you to our 6 outstanding talent show participants, Kaniel, Matthew, Skaia, Farya, Griffin, and Hallie! These incredibly brave students showcased their amazing singing, guitar playing and dancing talents in front of a large student and teacher audience on Dec 5th. Thank you to our Leadership students for organizing this successful event! We can't wait to start planning for our next great show!

Horizons – On Wednesday November 22nd, Henry Wise Wood hosted Horizons which is a one day, regional conference that brings excellent keynote presentations as well as PD for students and teacher advisors. The whole day is designed to provide the participants with motivation, inspiration and information to make their school a better place to live and learn. We are so proud of our Leadership Class who hosted over 300 students from across our city! The next opportunity for students to attend a conference is on Thursday March 8th at John Diefenbaker High School. Please email kacheney@cbe.ab.ca if you are interested in attending.

STEM CLUB- Q&A Panel with former HWW Students who are Currently in Post Secondary
On Wednesday Dec. 20 at Wise Time and Lunch in rm. 108, the STEM club will present a panel of 14 former HWW students who are enrolled in STEM fields at Post Secondary. These former students have volunteered their time to come in and answer your questions about transitioning to Post Secondary from High School, life in post-secondary, and what it is like in some of the STEM programs.

Henry Wise Wood Holiday Hampers

There are **two weeks left** to support our Henry Wise Wood community members who are in need this Christmas. Gifts going into these holiday hampers will be filled by our Henry Wise Wood staff and students. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated.

Your help would be appreciated to support the following:

- Send in a cash donation, or gift cards to Superstore/Wal-Mart/Chapters/etc, so that items may be purchased for hampers. Please bring donation to Student Services.
- Come to student services or contact Ms. Beverly Delion at 403-253-2261 ext 2408 or email bbdelion@cbe.ab.ca to receive a gift item idea for you to purchase on your own.

Friends of Wise Wood Football Foundation have generously offered to donate all of the food that will be going into these holiday hampers. This parent group is dedicated to the support of the Warriors football program at Henry Wise Wood High School.

Please drop all donated items off at Student Services no later than **Monday, December 11, 2017**.

Yearbooks

If you have not yet ordered a Yearbook, you must do so by Dec, 21st. That is the absolute last day that you can order.

If you don't know if you have ordered or not, see Mr. Matthews Room 128

Clubs: (<http://www.henrywisewood.com/clubs.html>)

Athletics:

Swimming – A huge congratulations to Coach Cancilla and our Warriors Swim Team who placed 7th out of 19 schools who participated in the swim meet at the Repsol Centre on Wednesday December 6th. Special recognition goes to the following students who had a top 5 finish in their event: Shengfei W, Kasi B, Emily T Will C, Marcus B, Zerind T and Brett W. Honourable mention goes to Shengei who placed first in freestyle, butterfly and diving! We are so proud of our Warriors!

Jr. Basketball – Congratulations to our Junior Girls who placed second in the Diefenbaker Tournament on December 2nd and on their first league win of the season against Diefenbaker 48-46! Our Junior Boys also competed in the Diefenbaker and Holy Trinity Tournaments and ended their weekends with a lot of team growth and new skills for the their future league games!

Sr. Basketball – Both the boys and girls teams will be heading to Medicine Hat this Friday December 15th to compete in the Green and White Invitational! The student-athletes and coaches are looking forward to a great weekend away!

For updated play-off reports please visit www.calgaryhighschoolsports.ca then click on the sport and play-off grids.

Creative Arts:

Music News

Our annual Camp and Workshop with Mr. Speers were incredibly successful. All of our music students had great opportunities for improving and having fun while learning from our clinicians and guest conductors. Thank you to the Henry Wise Wood Music Parent Society contributed over \$5000 towards camp and our workshop.

Hawaii 2018

Forms still needed: We still need some passport photocopies to complete the Affinity forms which need to be sent in this week.

Also, there are still many CBE forms (International travel, Acknowledgement of Risk, Medical, and Tour Agreement) which have not been turned in yet.

Payment #3 is due next week. PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO **HENRY WISE WOOD HIGH SCHOOL** or contact the Business office for Debit/Credit online payment.

A mandatory meeting for Parents will take place on Thursday Feb.1 at Henry Wise Wood High School in the music room at 7 pm.

Career Chatter:

Good way to spend some free time over Christmas! – You can thank me in the New Year. I've met lots of students who know nothing about ALIS: The Alberta Learning Information Service. It is the single best site I know of for career and educational planning and was recently revised and expanded. The *Plan Your Career* section is extremely valuable, with numerous exercises to help you match the kind of person you are with a good career. The *Explore Education and Training* section is also valuable. Among other things it will help you with how to fund your education. After you've spent a few hours with ALIS, you will probably want to come see Mr. Smith in the Career Centre or make an appointment for some follow up ideas. Enjoy! <https://alis.alberta.ca/>

SCHOOL COUNCIL: Casino Volunteers Needed!

Next Casino: Friday May 11th and Saturday May 12th – SAVE THE DATE!

We are hosting our next Henry Wise Wood Casino - **Friday May 11th and Saturday May 12th at Cash Casino** (4040B Blackfoot Trail SE, Calgary) and **we are looking for volunteers!**

Fun Fact: Parents who volunteered to work our August 2016 HWW Casino made approximately \$260 per hour in fundraising for our students!

Past Casino proceeds have gone to enhance our students' learning, from purchasing cutting edge technology tools for our students, to upgrades to equipment for specialty programs and enhancing classrooms with needed resources/materials. This year's casino funds will be focused specifically on transforming our indoor "courtyard" space into a state-of-the-art multipurpose learning arena.

So PLEASE consider volunteering – casino positions require **no previous experience** and lunch or dinner is included!

Signing Up is EASY: Just send an Email to Leslie Marshall at wayneles.marshall@gmail.com or call 403 244 6533

If you know your schedule, you can even select your Preferred Shift:

Friday May 11th OR Saturday May 12th

1. 10:45 am to 7:30 pm (The "Day" Shift)
2. 6:45 pm to 3:30 am (The "Night Shift")
3. 10:45 pm - 3:30 am (in the Count Room)

...and your Preferred Position:

- General Manager
- Banker
- Cashier
- Count Room Supervisor or Worker
- Chip Runner

I hope you will consider volunteering for our next Casino and I hope to hear from as many parents as possible before the Christmas break! Warmest Season's Wishes to you All!

For more information please go to our School Website or download our *NEW*** HWW App**