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This year McCaskill's Mills PS will host its very first **Scholastic Virtual Book Fair** from Monday Nov. 30th to Sunday Dec. 6th. Books will be shipped directly to homes and orders over \$35 will receive free shipping. What a great way to be ready for the upcoming holiday season and keep your kids reading!

Shopify URL <https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5152078>



This fall MMPS students were invited to participate in a Peace Poster Contest hosted by the Cannington Lions Club. Congratulations to the following students whose posters were selected as the top three:

Rogue S. (gr. 7), Sadie Y. (gr. 6) and Maia W. (gr. 8)

Each student received a certificate and a monetary prize for their accomplishment. Rogue's poster will now be entered in the Regional Lions' Club Competition. We are proud of our Mustangs!

THANK YOU!



McCaskill's Mills Public School is very thankful for the time and energy spent by our **School Community Council** members. Due to COVID-19 restrictions the committee must meet virtually and organize fund-raisers and events that fit current health and safety guidelines. This can be challenging, but the SCC has come up with some wonderful ideas to engage students and staff and to support teaching and learning in the school.

Thanks to the generosity of the SCC, each of our classes will receive a **Scientists in School** workshop this year. These engaging Science presentations will be provided virtually but materials will be shipped in advance and will be kept by students when done.

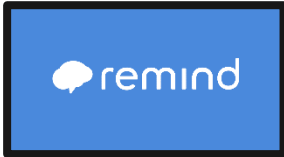


MMPS Holiday Chocolates Happy Days, is fundraising with Purdys Chocolatier, just in time for the holidays! If you'd like to support us through purchasing some very sweet holiday gifts for friends, family and yourself, please click the link below:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1159048-80482>

After you've signed in you can buy our amazing chocolates or invite others to join and support our Fundraising Campaign. Funds will support resources for the school. Thank you so much!

McCaskill's Mills SCC



Send a text to
(780) 666-7352

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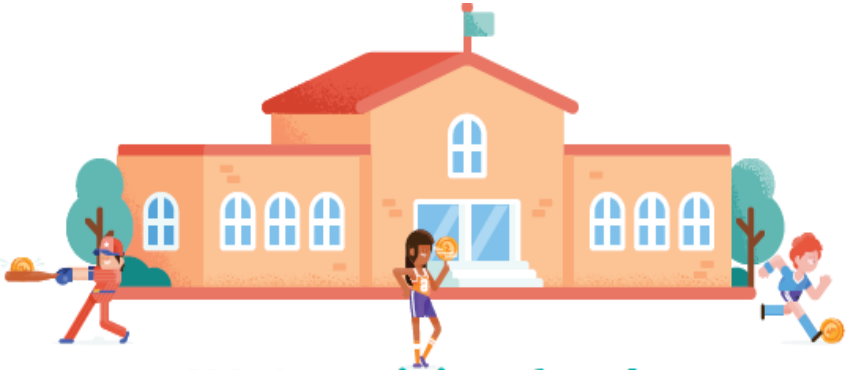
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The SCC at
MMPS
Introduces...

FlipGive

<https://www.flipgive.com/teams/join?joincode=GF6WZH>

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**We're raising funds
for the School with FlipGive!**

There's a new way to raise money for the school! Now the school earns between 1%-20%* when you shop online or buy gift cards. Visit FlipGive.com or download the FlipGive app. Every time you shop, you will be helping the school raise funds.

For Example:



You Spend	School Earns
\$800 Groceries <small>Sobeys, Superstore, Loblaws</small>	\$40.00
\$350 Gas <small>Esso Gas Card, Esso Discount Card</small>	\$7.00
\$300 Clothes <small>Gap, Mark's, the Shoe Company</small>	\$15.00
\$400 Takeout <small>SkipTheDishes, Ultimate Dining Card, Starbucks</small>	\$40.00
\$250 Gifts & Household <small>Amazon, Home Depot, Walmart</small>	\$25.00

You can earn up to **\$1,285** for the school shopping for things you already buy!

Visit [FlipGive.com/join](https://www.flipgive.com/join) and use code:

GF6WZHMCCa

*cashback varies by store / retailer offer

Need Help?

If you have any questions or need help getting started, call our support line:

FlipGive Support

1-855-583-2510 ext 1
9am - 8pm EST, Monday through Sunday



Thanks to the School Community Council for donating a pumpkin for each class to decorate in a unique and memorable way at Halloween. The winning pumpkin was created by Mme Anker's grade 1-2 class. As a prize the class has received \$50 towards a resource to enjoy. Thanks, SCC!

We look forward to the Holiday Houses that will be the design contest for December!



Funds from this project will support resources for the school

This initiative, like Flipgive, will continue throughout the year as an easy way to support the school while purchasing gift cards for things you would normally buy on a weekly basis. Gift cards are such a wonderful product, and buying your gift cards through FundScrip is a win-win situation. At no additional cost, you get the gift cards you need, and the school will raise funds. The gift cards themselves come directly from the retailer and are the same cards you would purchase if you went directly to the stores to buy them. Buying them this way will save you time and let you help raise funds towards the SCC goals.

Please visit www.fundscrip.com

Our school code is **6P7PZT**

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

1. Visit www.fundscrip.com/support-a-group
2. Enter the invitation code: **6P7PZT**

WHICH GIFT CARDS ARE AVAILABLE?

There are over 250 retailers to choose from.



HOW DO I ORDER?

1. You place orders on the FundScrip website.
2. Orders can be shipped directly to an address of your choice. If there are shipping fees, they will be added to the total of the order on checkout.

HOW CAN I PAY?

1. Electronic Funds Transfer - No Fee
2. Online Bill Payment - No Fee

SCC Meetings



The next **School Community Council** meeting will be held virtually on Thursday, December 3rd at 7:30 PM.

A Google Meet link will be sent out by email in advance.

Everyone is welcome to join us!



Please note that we are a nut-alert school which means that we cannot permit any products or drinks containing nuts in the school. This includes products and drinks such as Reese's chocolate-peanut butter treats, Nutella, almond milk and peanut butter as well as foods meant to taste like nut products such as 'Wow Butter.' We appreciate your understanding.



Feel you or a family member needs counselling? Counselling services are available in Cannington through Durham Region Health & Wellness.

Call 905-666-6240 ext. 1 or toll-free at 1-866-840-6697 ext. 1.

Mental Health Crisis Services – 24 hour service

[Mental Health Helpline](http://www.durhamregion.ca/mentalhealth) 1-866-531-2600

[Durham Mental Health Services](http://www.durhamregion.ca/mentalhealth) 1-800-742-1890

[Ontario Shores Crisis Line](http://www.durhamregion.ca/mentalhealth) 1-800-263-2679

[Kids Help Phone](http://www.durhamregion.ca/mentalhealth) 1-800-668-6868

[Distress Center Durham](http://www.durhamregion.ca/mentalhealth) 1-800-452-0688



November 16 – 20 has been designated by the Ontario Ministry of Education as **Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week.**

At MMPS, classes will experience lessons and activities provided by the DDSB (Bullying Awareness and Prevention Forum) to increase knowledge about bullying and to learn strategies to combat bullying. We are thankful for our Safe Schools Team for the development of a Bullying Prevention and Intervention Plan. Together we can make a difference and build a stronger, safer school community!

**Enjoy Fun in
the
Community!**



Trek n' Treat
The Nourish and Develop Foundation
HOLIDAY EDITION

DEC. 12
SATURDAY
11:00AM – 2:00PM
16 YORK STREET, CANNINGTON

Join us for a Holiday edition of our Dash & Dine event!

Dress warm and enjoy fun outdoor activities while safely socially distancing through the queue. Come get into the holiday spirit with us!

TAKEAWAY FOOD
Meat Or Vegetarian Chili & Cornbread
Meals are a recommended donation of \$5 or pay what you can (cash only)

FAMILY FRIENDLY CRAFT KITS
Holiday-themed craft kits including gingerbread cookie decorating kits will be available by donation

HOLIDAY BAKED GOODS

FOOD DRIVE
Give back to the community by bringing food donations to our drop off spot.

HOLIDAY PHOTOBOOTH
With some magic we will be adding Santa into the pictures after!

OUTDOOR GAMES

BUY ONE, GIVE ONE GIFT SALES
With every purchase you also give to those accessing our Food Bank.

*All proceeds go towards
The Nourish and Develop Foundation.*

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR MASK!

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**Healthy Snacks
at MMPS**

Students continue to enjoy healthy snacks provided for each classroom. Apples & granola bars are consistently made available as well as a supply of muffins and some lunch items for students who may not have a lunch. We appreciate the generosity of Homestead Orchards in Pefferlaw for the delicious apples! We continue to appreciate The Nourish and Develop Foundation for providing lunch items for the school from September to November this year. Thanks, also, to Ms Kirkos for her hard work organizing the snacks!