



April Newsletter 2009

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Lambton Metals and TV Cogeco Present;

Harmony and Bayfest Music Month

Music is what we love, so for the next month we will be celebrating the gift of music, and promoting music. Every student, volunteer, parent, supporter are all encouraged to participate in ALL the events for the next month. We are hoping to raise \$20,000 dollars to keep music education a big part of Harmony.

Each and every person involved can help us reach our goals. We are asking every member to come out to the amazing concerts, get pledges for our telethon, and participate in bringing music to our community. It all starts April 25th with an amazing Jazz Concert with the Clayton/Scott group and Harmony performing at the Industry Theatre.

The following weekend, Lars Sloan from American Bagpipes, Kathy McMahon and the Highland dancers with Harmony will be performing an awesome night of Celtic Music. Tickets for both concerts will be \$10.00 for students and seniors, and \$12.00 for adults. Please mark your calendars, buy your tickets and spread the word. Let's sell out these amazing shows.

On May 3rd we will be hosting a 6 hour telethon at TV Cogeco. We need pledges. We strongly encourage everyone to get friends and family to make a pledge, and get others to pledge. Any pledge \$10.00 and over will get a tax receipt.

Harmony's Year at a Glance

February; Valentines Day
 March; March Break Activities
 April; Rick Scott (April 21-25th)
 April 24th, Health Fair
 May; Lars Sloan (May 2rd)
 May; Music Monday (May 4th)
 May 3rd; Cogeco Telethon
 May; Trip to Chicago (May 27th-31st)
 June; Hamburger cook-off
 June; Kids Fest, Canada Day in the Grove
 June; Loonie Month
 June; over-night camp
 July; Bayfest (July 9-17th)
 July; Month long day camp
 July; Harmony billeting Choir from
 August; Day camp
 August; Family picnic
 August; Burger cook-off
 September; Convention
 October; Teen retreat
 October; Haunted House
 November; Carol-o-grams
 December; Christmas activities

Volunteers and Donations

We need lots of volunteers to answer phones, help with the kids, serve food etc at the telethon. We also need LOTS of food donations. Please donate baked goods, veggie platters, fruit, sandwiches etc. Let Joanne know if you are willing to help on these items.

Fund-Raising Events

Flowers; The Chicago group is selling bulbs, order forms are available at the office.
Orders are due; April 8th

Bake Sale; April 30th Shopper's Drug Mart Mitton St.

Tuesday night dinners; \$5.00 per person. Please come out and help us raise money!!!

Discount Cards; Will be available to sell soon!!!

Board of Directors

We are looking for a secretary for our Board of Directors. Are you available once a month for a meeting. Consider helping us govern your center, and protect the youth through the administrative side of Harmony. Contact Joanne if interested.

Easter & Holiday Hours

Please make special note of our holiday hours. With Easter, long weekends and statutory holidays approaching, it is important to mark your calendar with our hours.

May 9th-13th Closed for Easter
 May 1st No PD activities
 May 10th Mothers Day
 May 15-18th Closed for Victoria Day
 June 21st- Father's Day

Spring Clean-Up;

Our center is starting to need some attention. If you can help clean out the gardens, like to paint, trim bushes, etc. Please see Joanne. We really want our center to be a beautiful place for all to come!!!!

Grooving Grammy's and Grampy's

Harmony just received a grant from Service Canada to host a very special program for a year. We will be teaching seniors "Rock n Roll". Then, once they know the music we will be pairing them with youth that are struggling with reading. The kids will learn to read the rock lyrics and then together perform a rock. Music from Jimi Hendrix, The Clash, The Ramones, Pointer Sisters, Rod Stewart are only a few selections that everyone will be learning.

A performance with the "grandparents and kids" will be next February, 2010.

We will begin rehearsals April 2nd at 10:00 a.m. Rehearsals will be every Thursday till June. If you know a senior that loves music and kids and would like to be a part of this special class, please inform them of our new program!!

"Pay it Forward"

We are entering into Concert Season. Time to "Pay it Forward" Mark your calendar!

April 25th Health Fair- Central United Church, Sarnia. All students are required to be there by 8:45. Concert begins at 9:00 SHARP! Please wear Harmony uniform. The concert is broken up into two parts. We open the Fair with the "O' Canada" and then sing a 20 minute concert at 9:30. Kids will be finished here around 10:00 a.m.

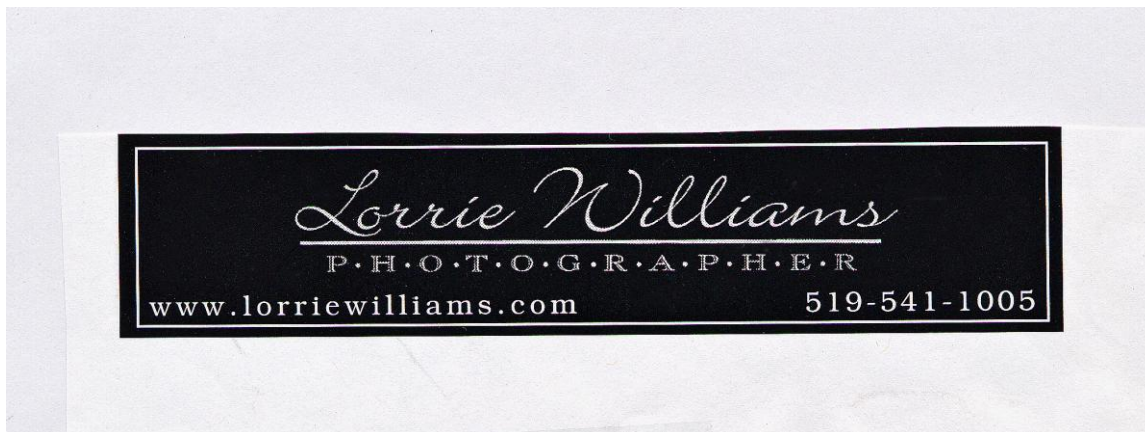
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May 3rd-TV Cogeco-Harmony will be performing at the television station from 12-6. Check with your teacher at the times your class will be performing. All uniforms are mandatory!

June 13th-Kidsfest-Centennial Park-Harmony will be performing at 10:30. Students must be there at 10:00 at the Dow People Place (black shorts are allowed)

June 27th-Canada in Brights Grove-Harmony will be walking in the parade and then performing at the end of the walk. Students must be at Wildwood Park at 10:15 in uniform (black shorts are allowed) Concert begins at 11:30 on the show stage.



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Things coming up & other dates to remember

May 3 rd - Telethon	Volunteers and food donations needed
May 4 th - Music Monday	Drivers needed
May 22 nd & 23 rd	Paintball Tournament
July 1 st	Canada Food Booth Centennial Park
July 2 nd - 5 th	Over-night Camp
July 6-17	Session #1 Day Camp
July 8 th	Bayfest set-up
July 9-12	Bayfest clean-up and booths
July 15-16	Bayfest musician's workshops (Harmony volunteers)
July 16-19	Bayfest clean-up and booths
July 20-31	Session #2 Day Camp
August 4-14	Session #3 Day Camp
August 8 th	Kite Festival and Burger cook-off
August 17-28	Session #4 Day Camp