



The A.V.G. Griffin

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Dear A.V. Graham Community:

The weeks leading up to the holidays are often very busy. Shopping, social occasions, and special events can all be part of the joy of the season, or they can wear us out. Throughout the season it is important to remember that it's not purchasing gifts, but sharing your gifts and it's not wrapping presents, but being present and wrapping your arms around the ones you love that matters. An

unknown source suggests the following special gifts that we can all give:

- * A firm handshake to a shaky soul
- * A kind word to a lonely person
- * A warm smile to the disheartened
- * A sincere concern for someone troubled
- * A feeling of compassion for the neglected
- * A comforting thought for the bereaved
- * A respect for the dignity

of others
* A defense of the rights of individuals

We wish all of you peace, good health and joy throughout the holidays and into the New Year.

Sincerely,
A. Dibbs, Principal
and
T. Rilett, Vice Principal

December

- 6th: ASD Room Skating
- 10th: Candy Cane Fundraiser Begins
- 12th: Sub Day
- 13th: ASD Room Skating
- 17th: Candy Cane Fundraiser Ends
- 20th: ASD Room Skating
- 21st: Assembly
- 24th: Christmas Break Begins
- January 7th:
Welcome Back to School

Images...





Inclement Weather

When wondering whether the buses are running, please remember to visit <http://www.buskids.ca> where bus cancellations are posted.

Fog Days: Buses do not run in the AM but will in the PM.

Snow Days: Buses do not run in the AM or the PM.

Attendance

Please call our 24 attendance line when your child will be absent from school.

It is also helpful to call, even if you write a note about the absence in your child's agenda.

Thank you for understanding.

On a day when buses are not running:

As a part of the Inclement Weather procedures, if your child(ren) regularly walks to school and you decide to keep your child(ren) at home for all or part of the day, please contact the school in the usual manner.

Images...



ASD Room News

This month during art we have been learning about colours and apples.

Also we have completed 3 weeks of our 6 week learn to skate program. All of the students are making great progress and having a ton of fun learning! A big thank you goes out to Tecumseh Arena for having us each week!



And the ECO School Trophy goes to 6V for the month of November!



Caught You Coupon Monthly Winners:

Erin 5D
Adrian 6H
Dakota 6V
Luke 6H
Lexie 8G

Newsletter Monthly Winner:

Krystalann 5D

Windsor-Essex County Health Unit

Effective Hand Washing

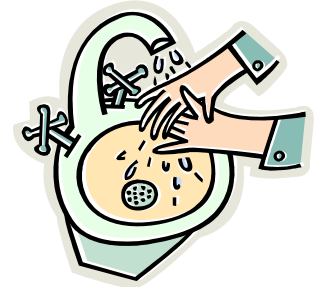
Six easy steps:

1. Wet Hands
2. Soap
3. Lather Well
4. Rinse

5. Dry
6. Keep Clean

Visit the website below to view a guide for proper hand cleaning techniques.

http://www.wechealthunit.org/diseases-conditions/hand-cleaning/GEN_STOP_WEB.pdf



School Council

Intramurals start in January 2013 and Parent Volunteers are needed!

The School Council will be supervising and running Intramurals once again.

We run various sport activities in the gym during lunch periods (12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.) on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays. It is an option for students to stay inside during the winter months

and still participate in physical activities. We will be sending a parent volunteer form home in December as well as posting it on the A.V. Graham website. We are in need of parents to help supervise and run these events from January through March. If you are able to volunteer, on any day or on all of them, it would be greatly appreciated.

You can also send your name

and telephone number via email to wsamwell@hotmail.com or call me at 519-817-3375.

Thanks in advance,
Wayne Samwell

A.V.G. School Council Chairperson

The next School Council Meeting is on
Thursday, January 17, 2013.

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Location: Library

All parents are welcome to attend!

We hope you see you.

Zehrs' Tapes

Please remember to save your ZEHRS' tapes and send them to school with your child. Saving grocery tapes is an easy way to raise funds for our school and success can only be achieved if everyone participates. In the

past few years we have raised over \$1000.00. The funds are administered by School Council and go directly toward classrooms to assist in your child's education. We encourage everyone to save up their ZEHR's grocery

receipts and send them to school with your child. There is a drop off box in the office.

FYI: Sobey's is no longer participating in the fundraising activity.

Student Parliament News



Did you see us on the news?

We extended our collection to Friday, December 7, 2012!



In the past two years we have purchased over 60 stuffed animals for sick children at the Windsor Regional Hospital. Our last fundraiser will begin on Monday, December 10th and end on Monday, December 17th. Riley and her elves, Danielle, Brianna, Taylor, and Kasie will be selling candy canes for \$0.50. We will use the profit to further purchase stuffed animals. The hospital will receive the animals during the week of December 17th.



Thank You for your overwhelming generosity.

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SPECIAL NOTICE: The newsletter may be found at www.publicboard.ca under Schools > A.V. Graham. If you do not have access to the internet, please have your child go to the office to pick up a printed copy.

Sincerely,
The ECO School Team

We Value Your Input - Feedback Form

If you have any comments, please feel free to write us a note in the space provided and send it with your child to school. Homeroom teachers will collect these and send them to the office.

*Note—All returned feedback forms will be entered into a monthly draw for a prize. In order to stick to our ECO Friendly Goal, this feedback form will only be given to the youngest child in each family. With that being said, please print the names of your children attending A.V. Graham below.

Name of Student: _____ Class: _____

Name of Student: _____ Class: _____

Name of Student: _____ Class: _____

Please sign: Parent/Guardian: _____



The November Newsletter Draw winner was Krystalann (5D).