



The Raven Report

June 27, 2018

Thank you to all staff, students and parents who have contributed in so many different ways to create another great year at our school. Walter and Gladys Hill stakeholders should be very proud of themselves for being involved in the school and contributing as leaders to make a great team.

Parents showed us that they wanted to be active members and met Ms. Nutter's Wildly Important Goal of increasing parent involvement by 1500%!! This year we know we had at least 314 different volunteer events, which included approximately 30% of our parents. Thank you for helping at the school! Our goal for next year will be increasing parent Leadership as we continue to work on being a Leader in Me School.



We have so much to celebrate this year again!

- ❖ Congratulations to the Robotics team for capturing First Place Overall (tied with Christina Gordon) at the City Robotics Tournament. We had 12 teams who entered and our students had amazing fun and success. We won 10 different awards at the tournament.
- ❖ Congratulations to our Div 1&2 choir groups as well as our handbell group who did very well at the Rotary Music Festival winning a gold and two platinums. Our Drama group performed their second Musical at WGH, demonstrating their singing and dancing talents once again to make us all very proud.
- ❖ Congratulations to our participants in the District Coding Tournament where we captured 5 awards, and the Inventors Fair where we captured 4 awards.
- ❖ Ravens had another successful year at The Regional Science Fair as well, bringing home 4 medals plus the Green Scene Award.
- ❖ Students captured First Place at the City Badminton Tournament, We had a great year with 40 students in Cricket this year and started an archery club.
- ❖ Ms. Breikreuz won the Edwin Parr Award for our District and went on to win Zone 2 as well! This award is for outstanding first year teachers and we are very happy Ms. Breikreuz will remain at Walter and Gladys Hill Public School again next year.
- ❖ We were able to offer more than 49 after school and lunch time clubs for our students this past year!

- ❖ We raised over \$9000.00 for the Heart and Stroke Foundation through Jump Rope for Heart. a-m-a-z-i-n-g!
- ❖ This list could go on and on as we have had so many great learning opportunities this year. From Guest artists in many classes, to First Nations visitors, and French visitors who shared cultural activities. We had special guests who created a beautiful a Forever Forest which was put on display at MacDonald Island.

A HUGE thank you to School Council and Friends of Ravens who held many fundraisers throughout the school year, including a Casino for our school! Friends of Ravens has been a huge supporter in providing many items for your children including specialized seating in classrooms, laptops and ipads for students, the year end BBQ and snack station, contributing to the buddy bench and gardening shed, painting lines for games on the back tarmac just to name a few. Any parent can join School Council and become more involved in their decision making. We thank all school council and Friends of Ravens members for their hard work this year.



We had two exemplary projects created by student leaders this year. Michael's Hope, which is a project initiated by Michael in Kindergarten. His hope is that he can raise money for the homeless. He began with a paper craft which he wanted to sell and has since had the project made into a pin to sell. He was even Honorary Mayor for a day! His classmates have helped by organizing a Lemonade stand and raising \$337.00. Michael will be selling pins Wednesday at Kindergarten grad as well as Thursday at the Awards Day assemblies for \$5.00.

The second project was Nealah's Buddy Bench as initiated by Nealah in grade 1. She thought this would be a great idea for students who didn't have a friend at recess. They can sit on the bench and when someone see them they will try to include them in recess activities. Nealah held an Art Auction and Snack Cart to raise money as well as a Lemonade stand. In addition, an employee from The Bouchier Group was inspired and donated \$500.00 to her cause. Nealah had great success raising over \$1400.00 and in the fall Nealah's bench will be installed.



Finally, I must share that Ms. MacDonald, Mr. Baseley, Ms. Beardy, and Ms. Fong will all be moving on to new adventures and not returning to WGHill next year. We wish everyone continued success as they move to new challenges.

The office will be closed over the summer but opens again on August 15th. Please follow us on Facebook and twitter as well because we often post things throughout the summer. This will include after school activities for the Fall which will begin the second week of school.

School supply lists are on the Website. You can buy your own or order through School Smart. All information is on the website. <http://waltergladyshill.fmpsdschools.ca>

The School year calendar is available here: [Calendar 2018-19](#)

School starts on Sept. 4th for Grades Kindergarten to 6 and Sept. 10th for ECDP. The ECDP teachers will be calling all students to set up assessment times prior to Sept. 10th. All class lists will be posted at the front of the school the first day in addition, we will be trying something new and the teachers will email students before school starts to welcome them to their classroom. (Not likely until the Friday of the long weekend).

You can email Annalee.Nutter@fmps.ab.ca if you have questions during the summer and she will try to respond as soon as possible.

Have a great summer!



