



# The Week @ Wyland

**December 1, 2022**

**Dr. Laurie Tocci**

## It's the small things that matter...

Today the Ambassadors gave up their recess to pack goodie bags for the emergency responders. Their happy energy filled the conference room. We will be packing bags one more day before our delivery.

I encourage us all to think about the small things we can do to support each other. A positive email to a teacher, a handwritten note from a student or a student-created drawing are just some of the things that touch the hearts of Wyland's amazing staff.

As we approach the break, I hope that we can all find time to give each other "the small things." We have a wonderful school community. Let's celebrate that!

The Hampton Band Association invites to join our 11th annual

Hampton Bands'

**Holiday Extravaganza**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3**

**10 AM to 3 PM**  
Hampton High School

## Monday, December 5

\*Homework Lab (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Outside the Box Labs (3:45-4:45pm)

## Tuesday, December 6

\*Homework Lab (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Pawsitive Helping Hands Club (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Intramural Games Club (3:30-4:35pm)

\*Odyssey of the Mind (5:45pm)

## Wednesday, December 7- #bethekindkid day

\*Homework Lab (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Drawing Club (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Grades 2-3 Chess (3:45-4:45pm)

\*5th-6th Grade Band Concert -HMS (7:00pm)

## Thursday, December 8

**\*Holiday Secret Shop Shopping**

\*Homework Lab (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Grades 4-5 Chess (3:45-4:45pm)

## Friday, December 9

**\*Holiday Secret Shop Shopping**

\*Board Game Club (3:30-4:30pm)

\*Grown-Ups' Night Out (6:00-8:30pm)

## Future Dates:

Dec. 13..... Elementary Orchestra Concert

Dec. 15..... 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus & Beginning Band Concert

Dec. 21..... Winter Holiday Classroom Parties  
..... Early Dismissal (1:45pm)

Dec. 22-Jan. 2..... Winter Break

## Specials Corner:



Wyland artists are currently creating ceramic stars that will be placed in the permanent mural! Every student will have the opportunity to work on the mural and it is so exciting to watch it come together. Stay tuned! Mrs. Howe is looking for some parent volunteers to help plan an "unveiling". Please reach out to her if you are interested in doing so: [howe@ht-sd.org](mailto:howe@ht-sd.org)

## Opening Our Hearts!



The fourth grade students, with the assistance of their teachers and Mrs. Howe, have organized a very special community service project to help the homeless and less fortunate in our area. They are collecting a variety of travel size items that will be delivered on Christmas morning to The Rainbow Kitchen in Homestead. Each grade level is asked to donate different travel size items so that a consistent and wide variety of items will be available.

Please see the Wyland flyers for the items requested.. Thank you all for opening your hearts with your generosity.



## Holiday Winter Concerts!

- Dec. 7: 5th-6th Grade Band  
HMS (7:00pm)
- Dec. 13: Elementary Orchestra  
HMS (7:00pm)
- Dec. 15: 4th-5th Grade Chorus & Beginning Band - Wyland (7:00pm)



## Outdoor Recess

Wyland students will continue to have outdoor recess whenever possible. Generally, it will be outdoor recess as long as the temperatures are a wind chill factor of 20 degrees or above, and it is not raining. Please remember to dress your children according to the weather!

## New Wyland Flyers:

- Holiday Secret Shop
- Shopping List



## Wyland Flyers:

- Adopt-A-Family Flyers
- Opening Our Hearts
- Grown-Ups' Night Out
- Intramurals Session #4
- Hampton Bands Holiday Extravaganza
- Hampton Band Slushies & Santa
- Wyland Yearbook
- HHS Cheerleaders Holiday Photos
- Steel City Lawn Expressions
- Boys Youth Lacrosse
- Harlem Wizards
- HTSD Elementary Lunch Menu
- Free School Breakfasts

## Adopt-a-Family



## Wyland Adopt-A-Family Holiday Program

The Wyland PTO Adopt-A-Family holiday support program is underway. Informational flyers went home in backpacks last week. The information is also in the Wyland Flyers.

- If your family has recently been experiencing hard times due to a loss of job/income, illness or any other hardship and you **could use some help** for the holidays, please call Mrs. Kinney at 412-486-6000 ext. 5023, or email [kinney@ht-sd.org](mailto:kinney@ht-sd.org). Each request is strictly confidential.
- To **provide** a gift, gift wrap or gift cards for a family, please email Cody & Katie Ressel at: [cody\\_ressel@yahoo.com](mailto:cody_ressel@yahoo.com) to express your interest and to receive more information.



# Wyland Elementary PTO



## What is the Wyland Holiday Shop?

*For this issue of The Week @ Wyland we want to spotlight the Holiday Shop that is next Thursday and Friday. We reached out to the Committee Chairs, Laura Moser and Rachael Mazzoni, to give us the scoop.*

**PTO:** Can you tell us a little bit about the Holiday Shop?

**Laura & Rachael:** Holiday Shop is a culmination of a full year of work from dedicated Wyland bargain shoppers. We mostly use our budget to buy goods on clearance after the holidays, but we do keep an eye out year-round for sales and deals. The kids are really excited to browse and shop for nice items at a great price.

**PTO:** What is the price point of the items?

**Laura & Rachael:** Tables are marked from \$1 to \$10. Many families new to Wyland may think \$10 seems like a lot to spend on a gift, but many of the items will have had an original retail value of \$20 and up!

**PTO:** What will my child's shopping day look like?

**Laura & Rachael:** During the actual shopping days, our parent volunteers are invaluable! Each parent is a personal shopper accompanying each child. A "budget" sheet is sent home with everyone, so the shoppers can help students stay within budget and buy appropriate items for the person listed. Then a couple of gifts are wrapped before sending home.

**PTO:** What a great insight into Holiday Shop. Do you have any final thoughts to leave us with?

**Laura & Rachael:** It's a lot of work, but a favorite event for many of the kids and parents. New shoppers are always welcomed, so if you have an eye for bargains, please reach out to us to join the fun!

\*For more information on the Wyland Holiday Shop please see the flyers section\*



**12/8 + 12/9:** Holiday Shop  
We still need [VOLUNTEERS](#) and [DONATIONS](#)

**12/21:** Winter Holiday Parties  
\*Volunteer emails went out on 11/29

**PTO Meetings for 2023**  
**Meeting time:** 7pm  
**Location:** Wyland Multi-Purpose  
Room & Zoom

**1/11, 2/8, 3/8, 4/5, and 5/10**





# WYLAND'S SECRET SHOP

Wyland Elementary will hold its annual Holiday Secret Shop on Thursday, December 8th and Friday, December 9th.. Wyland's Multi-Purpose room will be transformed into a "shopping center" where students will have the opportunity to purchase their own special holiday gifts for family, friends and even the cat and dog.

Parent volunteers will help shoppers with their gift selections and then wrap two of their gifts. We have been shopping since January to provide the students with a wide variety of quality, reasonably priced gifts. The gifts are priced between \$1—\$10.

**Please complete the "Shopping List" and return it to school, along with payment on your child's shopping day.**

With parental permission, your child may also purchase an item for themselves. Please designate the dollar amount allowed to be spent.

TREASURER'S NOTE: You may pay with either cash or check. **If you pay by check, make it payable to "Wyland PTO."** Please leave the amount blank and attach a note with the maximum amount you want your child to spend. This eliminates the need to send home large amounts of change.

Children love doing their own shopping and the Secret Shop is a top fundraiser for our school. We gratefully appreciate you!

Any questions, please contact Laura Moser at [lauralmoser@comcast.net](mailto:lauralmoser@comcast.net)

Individual classes will shop on the following days:

## Thursday, Dec. 8th

9 – 9:30 | Kron  
9:30 – 10 | Fitzpatrick  
10:30 – 11 | Stepanik(AM)  
11 – 11:30 | Wilson  
11:30 – 12 | Zdinak  
12 – 12:30 | Zang  
1 – 1:30 | Stepanik (PM)  
1:30 – 2 | Rodriguez  
2 – 2:30 | Allison  
2:30 – 3 | Moser

## Friday, Dec. 9th

9 – 9:30 | Walker  
9:30 – 10 | Wisniewski  
10 – 10:30 | Burns  
11:30 – 12 | Snyder  
1 – 1:30 | Rothmeyer  
1:30 – 2 | Raible  
2 – 2:30 | Marshall  
2:30 – 3 | Hunter

*Happy Holidays!*

# SHOPPING LIST

SECRET SHOP AT WYLAND ELEMENTARY

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILIES: Please help your children make their shopping lists now. They can buy gifts for the special people in their lives. Send this completed list to school when your child shops. Detailed information and budget guidelines make the experience more enjoyable and successful. Thanks for participating in this PTO fundraiser; your support is truly appreciated!

Parents

Budget

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grandparents

Budget

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Brothers/Sisters/Cousins (ages)

Budget

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Pets\*/Friends/Aunt/Uncle

Budget

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please feel free to use the back of this list or separate paper for any gift ideas and / or notes.**

The gifts are priced between \$1—\$10

\* All dog/cat items are \$3.00

# Important Information for Parents

## Attendance/Absences

When a student is absent, parents/guardians should call (412) 486-6000 by 9:15 AM to report the reason for absence. An automated call will be sent for all absent students, even those whose parents/guardians have reported the absence. Upon returning to school, the student must bring a written excuse stating the reason for absence or a medical excuse signed by a physician.

## School Hours for 2022-2023:

Regular School Day (Doors will open at 8:15 AM)

- Grades 1-5: 8:45 AM -3:30 PM
- AM Kindergarten: 8:45 AM -11:25 AM
- PM Kindergarten: 12:50 PM - 3:30 PM

**Note:** Students will be marked Tardy after 8:55 AM

Early Dismissal Days:

- Grades 1-5: 8:45 AM -1:45 PM
- AM Kindergarten: 8:45 AM - 10:45 AM
- PM Kindergarten: 11:45 AM - 1:45 PM

2-Hour Delay Days:

- Grades 1-5: 10:45 AM - 3:30 PM
- AM Kindergarten: 10:45 AM - 12:40 PM
- PM Kindergarten: 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

## School Closures:

September 5, 2022  
October 10, 2022  
November 4, 2022  
November 11, 2022  
November 24, 25, 28, 2022  
December 22, 2022 - January 2, 2023  
January 16, 2023  
February 17, 2023  
February 20, 2023  
March 17, 2023  
April 6, 7, 10, 2023  
May 29, 2023

## Early Dismissal Dates: Students are dismissed at 1:45 PM on these dates:

Friday, September 16, 2022

Friday, October 7, 2022

Wednesday, November 23, 2022

Wednesday, December 21, 2022

Friday, January 13, 2023

Thursday, February 16, 2023

Thursday, March 16, 2023

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

Friday, May 12, 2023

**Note:** If there is a 2-hour delay on an early dismissal day, the early dismissal is canceled and students will follow the 2-hour delay schedule

## Additional Early Dismissal Dates and Times:

- Thursday, **November 10: 12:45 PM** Dismissal for Parent/Teacher Conferences (Kindergarten on Nov. 10: AM (8:45-10:20); PM (11:10-12:45))
- Thursday, **June 8: 11:45 AM** Dismissal
- Friday, **June 9: 11:45 AM** Dismissal (Last day of school)