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FOOD4KIDS Newsletter

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Welcome to the latest issue of the Food4Kids Newsletter!

We love seeing kids helping kids. Our cause is strengthened by parents and schools who share our belief that learning is not just about academic achievement. Together, we are teaching our children that the greatest kind of success is the kind we can achieve by helping one another and building a healthy community. Here are some of the awesome kids who have made special contributions to our programs:

KRISTY & JASMINE: BIRTHDAY GIFTS

Birthdays are a time for gifts, cake and celebration. Kristy and Jasmine from Morden Public School added one more element to their birthday celebrations: giving to others. The girls celebrated their birthdays and instead of gifts, they asked guests to provide a donation to Food4Kids.

THE HOPE CLUB: WALDORF SCHOOL

Students at Waldorf found a unique way to raise funds for Food4Kids. These students, under the leadership of teacher Tara Thornton, made friendship bracelets to raise funds for Food4Kids.

JEREMY: TALENT SHOW & GIFTS

This inspiring 10 year old student from New Central Public School collected donations at his birthday party and raised funds through a talent show. He raised an incredible \$710. Way to go Jeremy!

CHRISTINA: FOOD DRIVE

Christina coordinated a food drive for Food4Kids and, with an infectious smile and heart brimming with hope, she delivered over 200 pounds of healthy foods to support our programs.

ROBERT BATEMAN HIGH SCHOOL:

Students from the Culinary Department were inspired by Teacher & Chef, Tim Humble. They launched a Cookies4Kids campaign, raising an impressive \$500 and awareness of the need for Food4Kids in Halton.

WATERDOWN HIGH & THE TOSCAN CASALE FOUNDATION

The Toscan Casale Foundation developed a creative partnership with high schools: the Youth in Philanthropy initiative. Student teams select and research a charitable organization. They then compete for a \$5,000 grant for their charity of choice. We were fortunate to work with a dynamic, caring student team from Waterdown High School, who passionately championed for Food4Kids, winning the \$5,000 competition for our agency.

CUTTING INTO HUNGER

On Sunday July 14, Hamilton's **Maverick Studio for Men** will generously be donating the day's proceeds to support Food4Kids!

They are located in Jackson Square, in downtown Hamilton. Spots are filling up fast! Call **(905) 577-0100** to book an appointment for your favourite Maverick's service today!



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WELCOME NEW SCHOOLS!

We are thrilled to include the following new schools in the Food4Kids program, starting in the 2013-2014 school year.

Hamilton: Parkdale, Dr. E Davey, St. Luke, Holy Name of Jesus, St. Joseph, Canadian Martyrs, Elizabeth Bragshaw and Queen Mary. They join the 14 schools already being served in the Hamilton area.

Halton: Montclair, Sheridan, Aldershot, JM Denyes, Our Lady of Victory, St. Joseph in Acton, MacKenzie Smith Bennett, Tom Thomson and Central. They join the 5 schools currently participating in the Halton region.

33 schools - 500 child participants!

BOWL-A-THON: \$17,500 RAISED!

We had a full house on the night of the event, with 48 bowling teams who helped raise a whopping \$17,500 for Food4Kids! The event was not only a success, it was a great time for all ages. These funds will enable us to launch programs at 10 new schools in Halton for the upcoming school year. Our sincere thanks to the entire team at Martin & Hillyer for your unrelenting support! A truly outstanding gift to our community!

OUR NEW HALTON OFFICE: WATCH FOR DETAILS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!

Through a generous funding grant that was awarded by the **Region of Halton Community Investment Fund**, we will be officially opening a permanent Halton location this August. We will have a new Halton home on Wyecroft Road in Oakville, where we expect to facilitate programs in 14 schools that will feed 150 children each week.

Thank you to Food4Kids Board Member and skilled Real Estate agent, Anna Powell, for helping to secure this awesome location for us. We'd also like to convey a big thanks to the Halton community for the unrelenting support of our program! We plan to celebrate this milestone with an Open House this September, so be sure to stay tuned for details!

THE OAKVILLE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Oakville Community Foundation has again supported Food4Kids by sponsoring two new program launches this Fall. We are also proud that the Foundation selected Food4Kids as the agency to feature in their Annual Report. Our sincere gratitude to the grant team at the Foundation, and to the Willis Carmichael Family Fund for your support and confidence in Food4Kids.



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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Recently, there have been several local businesses who have made special contributions to our programs. We'd like to say thank you to:

Charity of Hope for providing a generous grant to support a new program at Dr Davey Public School where we expect to feed over 75 kids

Kristin Archer from I Heart Hamilton who organized Playlist 2.0, a fun night of live music from local musicians raising \$1,814

Carrington Place Seniors Residence whose caring residents and staff raised \$1,545 under the enthusiastic leadership of Stephanie Hartman

Jack Astors Burlington for raising \$2,500 through their Bartender Challenge, which will be held again in November. Special thanks to the Assistant Chef for shaving his prized ponytail and raising \$400 more!

Canyon Creek Burlington for hosting a Patio Party with great food, great music and loads of prizes. They have also committed further support through an additional event this November! Watch for details

Holiday Inn: Argus Road, Oakville for raising \$1,500 through a car wash that will help support the Abbey Lane program in Oakville

Rotary Club Oakville West for adopting Abbey Lane School and for your uncompromising support of Food4Kids

CHML Children's Fund for providing another generous grant in support of the launch of Camp Nutrition

CAMP NUTRITION

We're excited to welcome to our summer camp staff: Caitlin Ritchie, Emily Weiler & Kelsie Vouk. They have worked hard to plan a super fun camp experience that will include healthy eating, lots of physical activity and empowering education.

We'd like to thank our generous community partners Roux Commissary, Papa Leo's Restaurant, Nutritionist Debbie Carrick, Ancaster Victory Gardens, Hamilton Wentworth Police Services, The Green Smoothie Bar, Leslie Salisbury, HWCDB, and Tara Thornton from Waldorf School.

Cooking demos, cartooning, soap carving, bracelet making, farm visits, container gardening, games, yoga and more will provide an awesome experience for 50 of our awesome kids.