

WHAT'S UP WITH WOW TBAY?

YOUR ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL NEWSLETTER

WOW HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH!

C. D. Howe's new bike racks are overflowing!



On a frosty October morning, we gathered outside C. D. Howe Elementary School for their first annual "Fill the Bike Rack" Event. This idea originated with a parent who was excited about the school's new bike racks and felt they needed to be celebrated, we agreed!

The event had 41 students participate in a short bike ride led by a safe cycling instructor with support from parents, teachers, and our community partners at EcoSuperior and TBDHU. Students were each given a prize for participation and also had their bikes tuned up by a team from Community Spokes.

C. D. Howe went above and beyond and more than filled their new bike racks! Way to go! Read more about the event [here](#). This was a very successful event that could be replicated at other schools!

FILL THE BIKE RACK EVENT

with C. D. Howe
Public School



Congratulations to the St. Bernard Elementary School community who organized a walk to school each Wednesday for the month of October. They have been meeting at Junot Park and walking to school together! Great job celebrating Walktober! We here at WOW TBay are proud of all our WTS month participants! Keep it going!

WALK TO SCHOOL MONTH

with
St. Bernard
Elementary School

BIKE RACK AUDITS

(Almost) All Schools in Thunder Bay

Joanna, Kelsey and April went around to almost all the schools in Thunder Bay to examine the style, condition, capacity, and usage of bike racks at schools. We found a few schools without racks at all, some with racks in very poor condition, and many schools in need of rack upgrades. This round of OAST funding can support the purchase of high capacity bike racks that meet the city's standards. We will provide a summary of our findings at the next Steering Committee Meeting, stay tuned!



Winter Clothing Program

WALK OR WHEEL THUNDER BAY

Being active outside is difficult without the right winter gear.

Walk or Wheel Thunder Bay has partnered with Precious Bundles to connect elementary school children with quality used winter items.

If your child needs winter items, such as mittens, toques, jackets or snowpants, you can request them through the website:

www.preciousbundles.org

Donations of new or used winter clothing are also welcome. If you have lightly used items to donate to this initiative, call 625-5970.



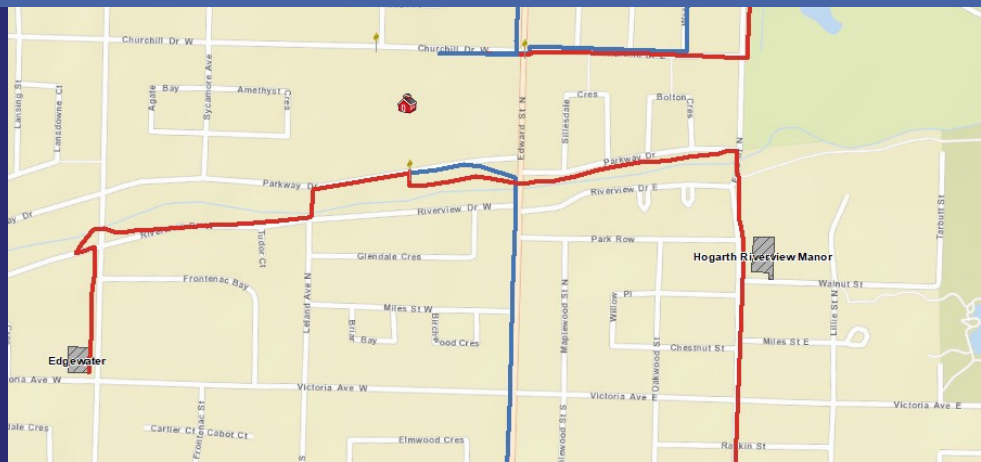
WOW TBAY & PRECIOUS BUNDLES

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PARK AND STRIDE DEVELOPMENT

with
École Elsie MacGill Public School



Working with the principal and School Council we are in the process of developing a Park and Stride at Elsie MacGill. In June 2021, we surveyed families and asked about their family's travel mode choices and if they'd be interested in a Park and Stride, they said yes! Well, some of them did anyway! We have collectively identified a pilot route and are in the process of recruiting volunteers!

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