



St. Gabriel Newsletter



November 1, 2019

Haunted House

St. Gabriel Students would like to thank the P.P.O. for

organizing a great evening at the St. Gabriel Haunted House on October 25, 2019. It was a scary experience with a labyrinth of horror.



Halloween October 31, 2019

Halloween activities went very well.

The teachers along with Home and School organized great Halloween activities for the children. All the students enjoyed the parade of costumes. We thank Home and School and Ms. Naomi Aldrich for their wonderful decorations and Halloween treats.

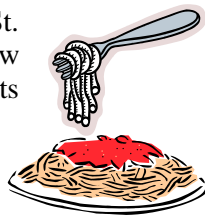
School Photos

The photographer took school pictures on October 10. Pictures have arrived and orders must be in by October 31, 2019.



Spaghetti Dinner

On Thursday, NOVEMBER 14, the St. Gabriel Home & School Association will be holding their annual 'Family Spaghetti Dinner' from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in The "GYMNASIUM BISTRO" for all the families and friends of St. Gabriel School. Tickets are now available at the school: Adults \$8.00 and children under 12 are \$5.00. Tickets will also be available at the door. Please see Carol or Debbie for tickets in the lunch room. We need your help and support!



Parent Teacher Conferences

Our first Parent Teacher Conferences will take place Thursday, November 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Please call for an appointment if you are unable to meet with the teacher at the assigned time.



Report Card

Term 1 report cards will be available online. Any parent who has registered their e-mail address can access their child's report card through a program called Moziak. More detail will be available soon.

Grade 4 Hepatitis Vaccination

Students in Grade 4 received their first Hepatitis vaccination on October 24, 2019. The next dose will be in the spring.

Hot Lunch Program

The Hot Lunch program began on October 7, 2019. The students are in a cafeteria setting where they are taking the food in trays, and then eating and cleaning up on their own.



Please check our website for the lunch menu.

Lunchroom Supervision Fees AND SCHOOL FEES

A friendly reminder **School fees** for Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten and Grades 1-6 students were due in September. Please pass by the office for payment or to make any arrangements. **Extra-Curricular activities depend on School Fees. Please make payment within the next two weeks so that the extracurricular activities for your child will not be suspended.**

Home Reading Program

The home reading program has been launched. It involves every student taking a book home or reading online with a parent for the sheer pleasure of enjoying time together while reading. Every week different books will be read and the joy of reading will be a great benefit to everyone in the family.

Code of Conduct Parents Meeting Thursday November 21, 2019

The schools code of conduct is outlined in the Agenda. It is imperative that each parent reviews the Code of Conduct with their child(ren).

The expectations are well outlined and any difficulty will be dealt with individually. Aggressive, insulting or abusive behavior will not be tolerated. There will be an assembly for parents to discuss Code of Conduct and safe school policies on November 21, 2019 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. This will take place during teacher parent interviews.

Refreshments will be available.

New Teachers

We welcome the return of Melissa Robinson to the Grade 6 class. Lyne Clement is still with us helping out in French and Math for Grade 1.

Homework Policy

The school's Homework policy is again outlined in the Agenda. Parents should familiarize themselves with the school's policy and go over details with their children. It is the responsibility of each parent to know the homework requirements of their children and make sure that the work is completed. You will be receiving calls and/or communication in the agenda when homework is not done. All will be made possible for the completion of the work.



Donations

We would like to thank the Lakeshore Rotary Club for their generous donation of picture dictionaries to all our grade 3 students.

P.P.O.

Parents Participating Committee is looking for members to help with fundraising activities that enhance student life and parental involvement. Please call the school secretary should you wish to become a member.

Kindergarten Parent Corner

Every month, I will be providing kindergarten parents with fun tips and suggestions to continue to promote a happy and smooth transition into both kindergarten and school. At times, I will also be providing general information about events in the community for families with young children.

Naître et Grandir is a bilingual website that offers families a variety of information regarding the development of children between the ages of 0 and 8. Some topics on the website include; understanding sleep, play and development, the importance of attachment, anxiety in young children and the importance of routines.

Additional resources that can be found include; *family recipes, downloadable e-books and blogs*. Parents can also sign up to receive a free monthly newsletter.

To access the Naître et Grandir website in **English**, please use the following URL:

<https://naitreetgrandir.com/en/feature/>

To access the Naître et Grandir website in **French**, please use the following URL:

<https://naitreetgrandir.com/fr/>

“Children are the world’s most valuable resource and its best hope for the future”

John F. Kennedy

Candice Madden

Kindergarten Transitions Agent, Student Services Department, EMSB.

Important Dates to Remember

November 1	BOARD WIDE PED Day
November 3	Daylight Saving Hour – clocks set ONE HOUR BACK
November 5	Governing Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.
November 7	P.P.O. meeting 6:40 p.m.
November 11	Remembrance Day
November 12	McCord Museum – Pre-Kindergarten
November 11-14	Semaine de Francophile
November 14	Home and School Family Spaghetti Supper 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. First Term Ends
November 15	PED DAY- Teachers’ Convention - no school for students.
November 20	Distribution of Term 1 Report Cards
November 21	PED Day- no school for students Parent Teacher Interviews 8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Review of Safe School Policy and Code of Conduct 2:30 - 3:30 in Gymnasium
November 22	PED DAY – no school for students
November 26	Home and School Meeting 1:00 p.m.

Jim Daskalakis
Principal

