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GROSVENOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Greetings Grosvenor Families,

The countdown to holidays is definitely on! In the spirit of the season and this incredible community, my heart has been extra full this past week. From our choir singing at the Moose Game, to our unforgettable night at the Grosvenor Family Carolling, to student initiated community service projects, and T'is the Season /spirit week activities- I am one proud principal! A huge thank you to Christina, Ashleigh, Ms. Hanton and to our musicians and special guests for making Monday night so extraordinary. I am in awe of what we can accomplish when we all work together. Please see inside the newsletter for photos of all the action! Yesterday, as I made my way through all the Tis the Season stations, I was reminded on what an amazing tradition this is! Students in mixed N-6 groupings taking part in making holiday crafts, card making, playing Kahoot, holiday Jeopardy and themed drama games. These experiences will make for lasting memories and help build and maintain relationships amongst peers. A HUGE thank you to our staff for planning such an incredible day for our students.

Once again, you have out done yourself with your generosity. Thank you so much for all the holiday gifts and kind words.

We feel so blessed to work and learn alongside such a devoted community. We love coming to school each and everyday- your kids are the reason why we are here and we love them to bits!

As we bid a fond farewell to 2022, here is to a new year ahead! We look forward to delving into the New Year full of energy as new learning and outdoor adventures awaits us.

PLEASE SAVE YOUR REAL CHRISTMAS TREES for our enchanted forest. You can place your used Christmas tree inside the school fence along Grosvenor and Wilton. THANK YOU!

In the words of many of our families, we wish you:

Xin Nian Kual (Mandarin)
Manigong Bagong Taon (Tagalog)
Bonnee Annee (French)
Shana Tova (Hebrew)
Akemashite Omedeto Gozaimasu (Japanese)
Feliz Ano Novo (Portuguese)
Shchaslyvoho Novoho Roku (Ukrainian)
Happy New Year!

Warmest regards,
Camie Lawson and the entire
Grosvenor School staff

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Upcoming No Class Dates:

- January 16, 2023
- February 3, 2023
- February 20, 2023
- March 17th, 2023

Spring Break

March 27-April 2nd

- April 7th, 2023
- April 14th, 2023
- May 1, 2023
- May 19th, 2023
- May 22, 2023



News from the Grosvenor School Association

January 2023

A new year! A new beginning. In these stark days of January, the school community shines.

GSA Meeting on Thursday, January 12 at 6:30pm: As usual, we'll have babysitting in the gym. Please come. It helps. *Note: The GSA meetings are usually the first Thursday of the month, but seeing as that was the first day back from holidays, this time it will be the second Thursday.*

Holiday Gratitude: A huge shout out to all the work from the community to celebrate December's holiday season:

- Thank you to the teachers and staff who made the last days of the year so fun for the children, while raising money for the Children's Hospital.
- Thank you to Ashleigh Mitchell, Christina Penner, Joan Hanton, all of the singers and musicians, and those who helped with set-up and clean-up for participating in the Carol Sing—we had over 210 attendees for a beautiful evening of music.
- Thank you to the class reps for organizing, collecting money, and purchasing beautiful gifts for the teachers, and for the itinerant staff.
- Thank you to the GSA-Exec for the ongoing work to pay lunch staff and other expenses. This invisible work takes time and dedication.
- A special shout out to Heather McLeod for her work as Treasurer.
- Thank you to the Nursery and Kinder parents—especially Beth and Christine—for organizing and collecting two amazing hampers.

Fun en Française: Lastly, an update on the French classes with Alliance Francaise: all went well. We had 36 students enrolled in the pilot program. Alliance Francaise is eager to repeat the classes in 2023. Stay tuned for more details.



Snow white, snow bright,
Your GSA

2022-2023 GSA Officers

Co-Chairs: Laura Matlaschewski and Kaleigh Rosenblat

Vice-Chair: Greg Grahn

Treasurer: Heather McLeod/Leslie Roy

Secretary: Christina Penner

Lunch Program Coordinator: Kaitlin Rhoden

NEXT GSA Meeting:
Thursday, November
12th at 6:30p.m.
Free Babysitting is
provided!



News from the Gym by Ms. Squair

With this recent dump of snow, quinzees are forming and snow people rising on the school field!!

Kindergarten - Grade 2 have enjoyed all of the holiday themed activities this past month. The new year will bring mini-basketball, continued station work that builds individual motor skills; scooter hockey, t-ball, cooperative games, and "mat madness." When the weather allows, classes will be sledding, playing snow soccer and playing in the "enchanted forest."

Grades 3-6 will also have outdoor time with snowshoeing, smooshing and quinzee building offered. Indoor activities will include basketball, lacrosse, ringette, "mat madness", and cooperative games.

Happy holidays and Happy 2023!!

News from Stem/French by Mr. Mont

STEM

The month of December marked great progress amongst all the little scientists who visited the lab. By way of several instant challenges, students have been tasked with working individually, in a small group, and then in a larger group to solve various problems. Your little scientist(s) practiced using increasingly more necessary communication skills to build a functioning team. Students were also asked to plan ahead of beginning a task to ensure that all team members were working with the same intent and specific roles within the team could be assigned. Ever present in scientific learning, the guidance of the trial and error model has helped our scientists get used to design, test, redesign, and test some more as a standard method for solving problems. A very important skill to have in our toolboxes!

French

The inside of the French Lab looked a little different than usual for the month of December. The lab was graced by a fabulous guest teacher, who herself was a French teacher during her storied career. Ms. Elliot helped our language learners become comfortable with vocabulary about the body, how to feed it with delicious pizza ingredients, and she also incorporated some holiday cheer with seasonal poems and songs. All reports indicate that the students were enjoying themselves.

News from the Music Room by Ms. Hanton

Students are enjoying singing all of our favourite holiday songs and accompanying themselves with boomwhackers, tone chimes, xylophones, and the occasional ukulele! While they playing the instruments, they are developing their ensemble skills which involve listening to each other, finding a common beat, playing rhythms accurately, and creating harmony. While they are singing they are developing breath control, pitch matching, diction, enunciation and of course personal expression through music.

On a personal note, I wish all of you peace and happiness in the upcoming holiday season. We have much to celebrate and much to reflect upon as we finish 2022! I hope you spend time with your favourite people and that 2023 is filled with joy.

Joan Hanton
Music Teacher

Grosvenor Students singing O'Canada
at a Manitoba Moose Game!





Celebrating Spirit Week, Assemblies and SNOW at Grosvenor!





Special Community Service Student Led Initiatives

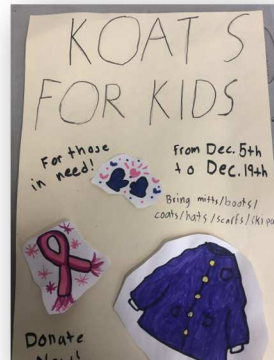
Koats for Kids!

Dear Grosvenor families;

With all of your help, we managed to raise 115 pieces of winter gear for the Fundraiser for "Koats for Kids". Student Council thanks you for your kindness, and helping those in need.

Sincerely,

Student Council



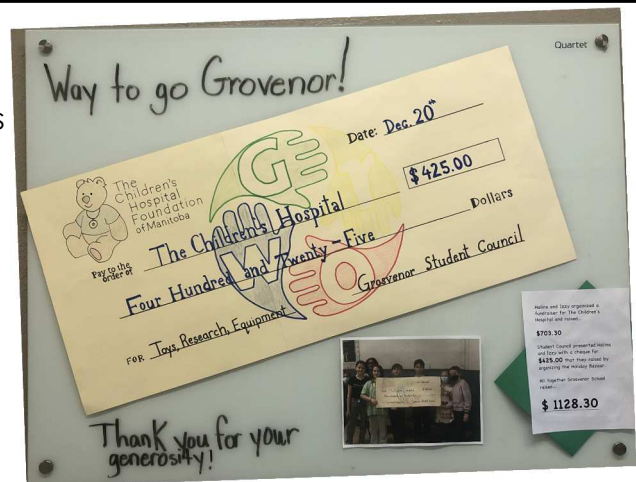
Children's Heritage Foundation Fundraiser

Grosvenor's very own grade 4's, Halina and Izzy initiated and organized a fundraiser to the Children's hospital... they raised a total of \$703.10! WOW!

Student council held a Holiday Bazaar to contribute to their cause. We held an assembly to present Halina and Izzy with a cheque for \$425.00!




Together, we raised \$1128.30 for sick kids.

Way to go, Grosvenor! We are making a difference in our community!



January 2023



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