

GROSVENOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Hello Grosvenor families!

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NO SCHOOL DATES:			
November 11th Remembrance Day			
November 18th			
Parent Teacher			
Tri-Conference			
December 21st Last Day of School Before Winter Break			



I hope this email finds you all doing well and enjoying this incredible fall weather. What a gift! Time is just flying and it's hard to believe we are in November already! A huge shout out to the Grade 6 class, who led the school in creative, spooky and fun Halloween stations. They were amazing with the younger children and their patience and kindness made us all very proud.

As a staff, we are deep in the learning pit! Teachers across the province, were given the opportunity to attend PD on October 18th. Teachers at Grosvenor chose professional learning sessions on multi-age education, mathematics, flexible seating, Louis Riel Tour, reading and writing workshops, and Indigenous Games....to name a few. Our PLC's (Professional Learning Community) meetings are held once per cycle for 45 min. Both N-2 and Gr. 3-6 PLC's have decided to use this time to do a deeper dive into the area pf mathematics. We have begun our conversations about our math programs. How we teach, how we differentiate, how we assess, what are beliefs are, what our data says-lots to unpack and learn. N-6 teachers and I are attending divisional PD this month and in February on Building Thinking Classrooms with Professor Peter Liljedahl – from Simon Fraser University. I look forward to sharing our learning with you as it unfolds.

It's report card month and teachers are continually assessing their students learning whether it be informal observations and/or conversations in class, or more formal divisional assessments. Teachers have uncovered information about your child as a learner and this month you'll see evidence of that when you read your child's report card. Expect to see your child's strengths, challenges, and next steps in all subject areas. **Report cards will be distributed on November 15th.** At the end of the month, Ms, Jackson, Ms. McMurtry and I will be sitting down with each classroom teacher to review assessment data. At our Learning Review Meetings, we discuss each child's strengths and growth areas and collectively put a plan in place. It is our mission to meet the needs of every child in the school, academically, emotionally, and socially.

Grosvenor turned 100 years old this fall! To celebrate this incredible milestone, we have many things planned for late spring. I am extending an invitation for any of you who would like to join our "Grosvenor turns 100 Committee". Community input and help is always valued and appreciated. Our student council will be the voice of the children and gather ideas from all the kids in the school.

If you're interested in helping out-please contact me at the school or by email. <u>clawson@wsd1.org</u>

November is here and a time to remember. This year Remembrance Day service will be held on <u>November 10th at</u> <u>10:30 am at St. George's church.</u> All are welcome to attend!

Please feel free to contact me anytime with questions or concerns you may have!

Best regards, Camie



A Look-A-Head to December 2022

Dec. 21st	Last Day of School before Break
Jan. 5th	School Reopens

News from the Grosvenor School Association

It's November and school is in full swing. Here are some of the things your dedicated GSA has been working on:

Fun en Française: Big News! In response to the survey we circulated last year, the GSA, with the support of Grosvenor School (especially our dedicated principal, as well as Mr. Mont) has formed a partnership with the French school, Alliance Française. Our pilot program will offer after-school French classes, which focus on FUN! Please sign up! We need at least 10 students of each age group to make this happen. More details:

- Classes run for five weeks, from November 14 -December 14
- Grades 4-6: Monday 3:35 4:15pm
- Grades 1 3: Wednesdays from 3:35 4:15pm
- Cost \$60
- Classes are held in the Science lab.

Please check you inbox tomorrow for the registration link!

The Return of Fun Lunches: Many thanks to Kaitlin Rhoden for taking the initiative on this wonderful program. Kids are happy to eat fun food; parents are happy to not make lunches. Kaitlin not only restarted the program, but also purchases and packages bags of veggies for our children. Thanks Kaitlin!

Instagram: Just a reminder that we have an Instagram account. Search and follow "Grosvenor School Association."

Next GSA Meeting: Please join us in the school library on *Thursday, Nov 3 at 6:30pm*. Free babysitting is provided. So is Starbucks decaf coffee-bring your mug! These are casual and fun meetings-why not come?

Carol Sing: Save the date! Thursday, December 15 (early evening) will be the annual Grosvenor Carol Sing at the St. George's Anglican church. This is an evening event where musically-gifted parents lead a carol-sing. Have an idea for a song you could share/lead? Please email penner.christina@gmail.com. All genres and traditions are welcome.

Upcoming! Stay tuned for more details on the *Children's Heritage fundraiser*.

Class Reps: We're delighted to have a new host of class reps, with some crowd favourites returning. Class reps will email parents (assuming you have filled in the form-if you haven't you can do it here (<u>bit.ly/m/grosvenorschoolassociation</u>). Popular tasks are to coordinate teacher gifts. Class rep email addresses are in an email sent out by Robyn-or you can contact the GSA for an email address.

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 3rd at 6:30p.m.

Free Babysitting is provided!

Class Reps:

Class Rep Coordinator: Maureen Winnicki Lyons			
Nursery/Kindergarten	Ms. Madill	Beth Edwards	
Grade 1/2	Ms. Kornelsen	Jenn Sorby	
Grade 1/2	Ms. Banks	Sina Barkman	
Grade 3/4	Ms. Robbins	TBD	
Grade 4/5	Ms. Sobral	Danielle Fraser-Hart	
Grade 4/5	Ms. Anderson	Maureen Winnicki Lyons	
Grade 6	Ms. Milak	Tanya Hoover	



News from FRENCH & STEM by Mr. Mont

French

Les élèves du première et deuxième années s'amusent en cours de français ! Alors que les apprenants enthousiastes de ces niveaux ont leur première exposition à une nouvelle langue, il y a tellement de sourires et de rires fervents alors qu'ils explorent des nouveaux mots, chiffres, phrases et questions simple. Croyez-moi quand je dis qu'il n'y a rien de plus amusant pour un élève de la petite enfance que de demander à aller aux toilettes en français. Cela me réchauffe le cœur d'entendre les rigoles et de voir la vraie joie de savoir avec certitude qu'ils ont appris quelque chose de nouveau. De grandes choses en français arrivent dans le futur pour ces étudiants !

The 1st and 2nd grade students are having a blast in French class! As the eager learners in those grades have their earliest exposures to a new language, there are heaps of smiles and fervent laughter as they explore new words, numbers, and basic phrases and questions. Believe me when I say there is nothing funnier to an early years student than asking to visit the washroom in French. It warms my heart to hear the giggles and see the true joy of knowing for sure that they've learned something new. Big things in French coming in the future for these students!

STEM

Weather, light, flight, and metamorphosis have been the name of the game in the Science Lab this past month. Students have had a chance to make weather in a jar, proven that light travels in straight lines (and in waves), built airplanes and tested the effects of flaps and control surfaces on the aerodynamics whilst flying, and witnessed actual metamorphosis occurring with Superworms. In all cases, students of all grades have a hard time containing their excitement when they visit the lab. Many more terrific experiments and demonstrations on the way!

News from the Gym by Ms. Squair

All grades have enjoyed Halloween themed activities this past month, such as: Steal the Pumpkins, Pumpkin tag and Zombie and Graveyard Dodgeball.

N- Gr. 2 have been offered Station work to support and enhance their Fundamental Movement Skills, as well as low organized and cooperative games.

Grades 3-5 will be able to participate in a skipping unit and Net-themed games such as bopper and scooter hockey, paddle tennis and badminton.

Volleyball will be offered this month to the Grade 6's, with the opportunity to participate in a friendly Tournament at the end of November. They will also have opportunities for additional Net-themed activities such as bopper hockey, badminton and paddle tennis.

There continues to be a focus on cooperative games and fair play practices across all grades, with being a "good sport" an important role to play.

News from Music by Ms. Hanton

The music room has been singing and playing music celebrating Autumn and Halloween, and they have also been preparing for Remembrance Day in choir classes. We have explored the rise and fall of melodic line, harmonic structure, rhythmic patterning, and tonal colours in our voices.

Remembrance Day

Our Remembrance Day Assembly will be held at St. George's Anglican Church at the corner of Grosvenor and Wilton on November 10, 2022 at 10:30 am. Please consider this your invitation to attend. Every student in the school will participate either through the submission of artwork, recitation of poetry and in the choirs. We will be welcoming Kerrine Wilson as our pianist and Nora Eldridge as our piper.

Last year several of our families submitted photographs of veterans and active soldiers from the families and I used them to create a commemorative slideshow that was broadcast to our community. I will use the same slideshow this year and would like to extend the invitation to families who missed the deadline last year to submit their photos to me via email before November 7, 2022, so that I can include them.





Year at a Glance of Grosvenor School Clubs

CLUB/Activity

<u>Teachers</u>

When:

Patrols:	Ms. McMurtry, Ms. Sobral & Ms. Anderson	September—June
Speed Skating: *Will need skate tying volunteers!	Ms. Squair Jan, February, March Noon Hours Tues/Thu	
Running Club:	Ms. Milak	October-June
MYRCA:	Ms. Milak	December
Drama Club:	Ms. Robbins & Ms. Anderson	October—Early June
Grow Talks:	Ms. Jackson	June
Stem Club	Mr. Mont	November until tba
Mindfulness:	Ms. Jackson	Within Classrooms 1x per cycle
Terry Fox:	Ms. Robbins & Ms. Squair	September
Magic Club:	Mr. Mont	November -March
Bike Rodeo:	Mr. Mont	May—TBA
Early Years Club:	Ms. Kornelsen	February
Volleyball:	Ms. Milak & Ms. Squair	tba
Grosvenor's Got Talent	Ms. Hanton	June
Student Council	Ms. Lawson	October–June
Yoga	Ms. Shannon McMurtry Gr. 1/2/3 Ms. Jackson Gr. 4/5/6	January—Lunch hours, dates tba

Scholastic Book Fairs

Save The Date!

Dear Grosvenor Families,

Mark your calendars! The fun and excitement of a Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school!

So save the date! Our Scholastic Book Fair will take place on

Thursday, Nov 17th 4:00 - 7:00 PM to Friday, Nov 18th 9:00 - 3:00 PM

And for parents, friends and family that can't join us in the school, be sure to join us online with our Virtual Book Fair Extension! Our online shop will be open on the first day of our Fair, but you can view a selection of the books you'll find here:

https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5197006

Watch for news leading up to our Scholastic Book Fair!

Happy Reading!



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November 2022



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
	Day 3 1 • Running Club 8am	Day 4 2	Day 5 3 • Running Club 8am GSA Meeting 6:30	Day 6 4
Day 1 7	Day 2 8	5:00pm	Day 4 10	11
	• Running Club 8am	Grades 1-6 Fort Whyte Fieldtrip (all day) • Drama Club 3:30- 5:00pm	Running Club 8am Remembrance Day Ceremony at St. Georges Church 168 Wilton 10:30 a.m. All are welcome!	Remembrance Day NO CLASSES
Day 5 14	Day 6 15	Day 1 16	Day 2 17	Day 3 18
Tri- Conference Scheduler opens at 10:00 a.m.	 Running Club 8am Student Council Mtg. at 12noon 		Running Club 8am Tri-Conferences 5:00 p.m8:00 p.m.	Tri-Conferences NO CLASSES Book Fair 9:00 a.m
	Report Cards Go Home	• <u>NO Drama Club</u>	Book Fair 4:00 p.m 7:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
Day 4 21	Day 5 22 Running Club 8am 	Day 6 23	 Day 1 24 Running Club 8am 	Day 2 25
		 Drama Club 3:30- 5:00pm 		
Day 3 28	Day 4 29	Day 5 30		
		 Drama Club 3:30- 5:00pm 		