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GROSVENOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Administrative Message



Hello Grosvenor Families,

I hope this message finds you all well. Our school year is well underway, and we've had a busy month! The children are settling into classroom routines and building new classroom communities. As a school we've been practicing our school wide expectations in the different common areas of the building (PBIS: Positive Behaviour Interventions & Supports). We've had our first assembly, had our first fire drill, school pictures, Terry Fox Run and recognized Truth and Reconciliation Day. Another highlight was our Meet the Teacher Potluck where we came together as a community. A huge "Thank you" to our GSA for organizing this event. We were spoiled by another beautiful fall day and being all together outside was simply, awesome!

Grosvenor staff are continually assessing their students learning whether it be informal observations and/or conversations in class, or more formal divisional assessments. Teachers are uncovering information about your child as a learner and noticing their strengths, as well as, any gaps in their learning that they may have. Working in tandem with families at home proves to make all the difference in your child's success. If you have any concerns thus far, or have noticed any gaps in your child's learning, please contact your child's teacher, so a plan can be made. Teachers will do the same. We are passionate about kids and creating an atmosphere where every child feels a sense of belonging, their voice is heard, they feel safe, and their educational landscapes are filled with relevant learning experiences and skills that propel them into every new beginning with confidence.

We had our first whole school "Welcome Back" assembly. The message throughout the assembly was one of embracing mistakes, characteristics of what it means to be a learner and the power of not giving up.

Here is one of the videos we watched together as a school. It's a definite fav. amongst kids of all ages. The Power of not giving up 58 sec.

<https://youtu.be/0cF2LyYGDWA>

I want to thank you all for your generous donations to our annual Terry Fox Run! We came together as a school and raised **\$738.25 Wow!** Please peek inside the newsletter for a few photos of the event.

Our students never cease to amaze me with their thoughtful insights into what it means to belong. We reflected on what it means to belong at Grosvenor School and how that makes us feel on the inside. Look inside the issue of pictures of our Awareness Walk.

As we all take time to consider what we're thankful for, I know I can speak on behalf of all staff when I say how thankful we are to serve such a caring community.

Best regards,
Camie



Ringin in the new school year with Grosvenor's oldest and youngest student

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Upcoming No Class Days:

- October 10th: Thanksgiving Day
- October 21st
- November 11th: Remembrance Day
- November 18th



Nov. 10th	Remembrance Day Ceremony
Nov. 17th	Parent Teacher Tri-Conference's Evening 5-8 p.m.
Nov. 18th	NO CLASSES - Parent Teacher Tri- Conferences

News from the Grosvenor School Association

Hello from the GSA,

What a fantastic potluck to start off the school year! The food was delicious and it was fabulous to see everyone in attendance. If you're new to Grosvenor, know that within a year or two you will be deep in the fold. :) Thank you to the teachers for staying late for the "Meet the Teacher" portion of the evening. And thank you to the organizers and to the muscles for set-up and take-down. What a special community we have!

Now for practical items:

1) Lunches: A big thanks to Kaitlin Rhoden for managing the lunch program. The kids are happy which makes the parents happy. If anyone has forgotten to pay, we don't judge--but please pay asap.

2) Instagram: Did you know the GSA now has an Instagram account? Follow Grosvenor School Association.

3) GSA Meetings: It's really helpful if someone from each family can attend at least four meetings a year. They are held IN-PERSON on the first Thursday of every month from October to June. See you there on Thursday October 6th, 6:30-7:30pm. Come to the main doors and find out the location (probably the staff lounge on the second floor). Agenda items to be shared next week. We are working on providing babysitting (in the gym).

4) Fundraisers: Did you place your Peak of the Market order? Thanks so much! Some other exciting fundraisers are coming up and we will let you know about them.

5) School Alliance with Alliance Francaise: The GSA is working on an exciting partnership with Alliance Francaise--the french school on Corydon. We are partnering with Alliance Francaise to offer in-school after-school lessons called "Fun in French." This play-based program will be available for grades 1-6. A fee will be required. We hope the after-school program will begin in November. Stay tuned for more details on this program, and hopefully also more French initiatives.

That's it! See you on October 6.

Your friendly GSA

2022-2023 GSA Officers

Co-Chairs: Laura Matlaschewski and Kaleigh Rosenblat

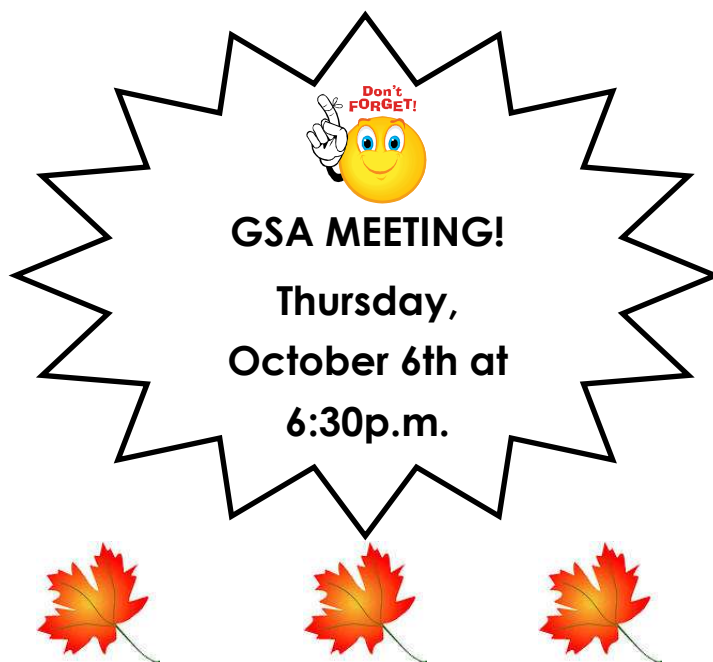
Vice-Chair: Greg Grahn

Treasurer: Heather McLeod/Leslie Roy

Secretary: Christina Penner

Lunch Program Coordinator: Kaitlin Rhoden

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**Peak of the Market Veggie
Orders are in Thursday, Oct. 6th.
Volunteers are needed!**

Grosvenor School's Terry Fox Run

We had a beautiful day for our Terry Fox Run on September 27th. All our runners tried hard like Terry (and surely would have made him proud)!

Thank you to all who were able to participate in the run and for your generous donations to the Terry Fox Foundation for cancer research. Together we raised \$738.25!

Congratulations to Saoirse in Grade 1/2 (Ms. K.) who won the draw for the Terry Fox t-shirt!

Thank you to our Grosvenor School community for helping us keep Terry's Marathon of Hope alive.

*Thank you kindly for your support,
Ms. Robbins, Ms. Squair and the Grosvenor School Staff*



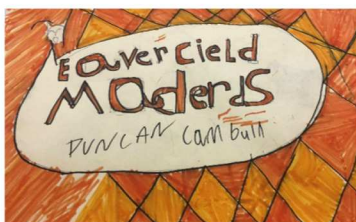
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**Room 12 student were asked;
"What makes you feel like you
belong at Grosvenor?"**

- I have never been at a school that makes me feel welcome before, it feels good
- it's just a feeling that I get at this school – my last school didn't have it
- everybody is safe and loving
- it feels like a big family everyone wants to get to know each other and how you're doing
- because everybody in the school has a friend they can play with



An Essay from Ms. Milak's class on The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

The Importance of Commemorating The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

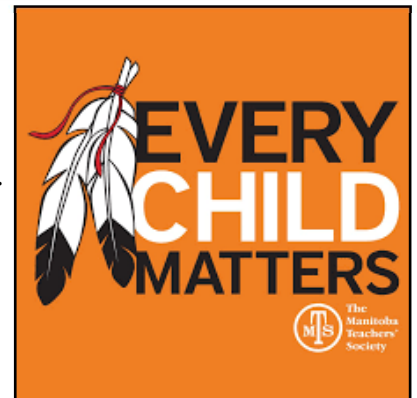
Residential Schools. Trauma. Cultural genocide. It is of vital importance that all Canadians take time to commemorate The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation on September 30th each year. As Canadians, we need to know about our history - the good and the bad. We need to be aware of our history so that we never repeat the bad and we must figure out ways to fix our mistakes, heal the wounds and make relationships strong. We need to recognize the wrongs and work toward reconciliation.

Are all Canadians aware of Canada's past mistakes? Perhaps, but to what extent? It is important to understand where we have come from. We all need to be educated so that we can educate others and our future generations. We need to know what we're doing right and what we need to change to achieve reconciliation across our land. Knowledge is power that we need to use so mistakes are not repeated in the future.

History only repeats itself when allowed to by people who don't take a stand against wrongdoings. We all need to recognize the impact and effects of Residential Schools; that people were not only hurt physically, but mentally and spiritually. Broken treaties caused mistrust that still exists today. The Indian Act ruined lives by keeping Indigenous people captives on their own land. These injustices must never be repeated.

What can Canadians do to work towards truth and reconciliation? We can wear an orange shirt, traditional dress or a moose hide pin to spread awareness. We can make an effort to learn an indigenous language, especially one that has almost been lost. We can also find ceremonies, programs and events to commemorate the day. Any of these actions will help build understanding and help nurture healthy relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

Imagine if you had had your language, loved ones, beliefs and way of life stripped from you and you were told it was all wrong. The result would be feelings of frustration, confusion, shame and great sadness. Learning about history is good for us - even when it's bad. History must never be repeated, we must take a stand to end injustices when we know them and see them. We must all make efforts to make amends and build relationships. Listening, learning and reflecting on the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation is a great place to start for us all.



News from Mr. Mont's Classroom

STEM

Grosvenor school is rocking out HARD! Thanks to a very generous donation from the Somers family, Grosvenor has been graced with an extremely excellent rock, mineral, and gem collection. Students have been flocking to see and learn about different rock types from different parts of the world. We have fine examples of some very cool crystals and mineral formations from every continent in the world (except Antarctica).

Feel free to stop in and have a look for yourselves!



French

L' éducation en Français est encore commencer c'est année, mais ce fois avec l'inclusion des premières et deuxièmes années. Nous sommes tous excités d'avoir l'opportunité d'offrir une chance à les petits pour entreprendre leurs parcours d'apprentissage dans une langue secondaire. Ils ont déjà trouver que les leçons en Français sont toujours amusant! Les étudiants en general, attendant avec impatience leurs chance d'apprendre les mots et phrases nouveaux et de développer leurs abilities en Français. Bonne chance à tous!

French instruction has once again begun for the year, but this time the 1st and 2nd grades are getting a chance to join in. We are all excited about giving these young learners the opportunity to embark upon their second language learning journey. They've already discovered that French lessons are a ton of fun! All of the students in general have been eagerly awaiting the chance to learn and try out new words and sentences to grow their French language abilities. Good luck to everyone!

Playground Supervision Reminder

After School and Lunch Hour Safety:

By way of reminder: all students who are not in Munroe after care, must go home at 3:30 p.m. after school. We ask your cooperation in ensuring that your child goes straight home after dismissal. There is no supervision after school dismissal or during lunch hour if your child is not registered in the After School Program or the Lunch Program.

Thanks for your co-operation!

No-Nuts Please!

A reminder to refrain from sending lunches or snacks that contain any sort of nut to school in order to protect our students from severe allergic reactions. Also, it is recommended that students wash their hands before coming to school if they have consumed a product containing nuts at home for breakfast or lunch.

School Safety

The Winnipeg Police Service would like to remind parents and guardians of the importance of the safety of our children as they go to and from school. Each year, serious safety hazards are created when children are being dropped off and picked up from school.



Parents and guardians who are stopping or parking their vehicles while dropping their children off are reminded to do so in an appropriate and legal fashion, paying particular attention to no stopping/parking signs in schools zones.

Talk to your child about traffic safety and teach them when and where it is safest to cross while stressing the importance of using crosswalks and abiding by the direction of School Patrols. Children should visually scan potential dangerous areas such as parking lots and driveways for vehicles.

Parents, guardians and other motorists should consider the volume and speed of the traffic in your area. Be mindful of children in the area and pay particular attention near schools as children could dart from between vehicles at any time. A reminder of the reduced speed zone of 30 km/h.

Stop signs on buses picking up and dropping off children must always be respected. Anyone not stopping when a school bus has its stop sign and lights activated may be subject to a fine under the Highway Traffic Act. Tickets have been handed out to parents parking in bus drop-off areas.

Please remember, Just Slow Down.

October 2022



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Day 1 3 	Day 2 4 Picture Retake Day!	Day 3 5 	Day 4 6 Gr. 6 Immunization Clinic Peak of the Market Delivery! GSA Meeting 6:30pm	Day 5 7
10 NO CLASSES Thanksgiving	Day 6 11 	Day 1 12 	Day 2 13 	Day 3 14
Day 4 17 	Day 5 18 	Day 6 19 Bus Ridership AM	Day 1 20 	Day 2 21 NO CLASSES School INSERVICE
Day 3 24 	Day 4 25 	Day 5 26 	Day 6 27 	Day 1 28
Day 2 31 Halloween Activities (TBA) 				