



P. E. McGibbon Public School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

PROGRESS REPORTS AND INTERVIEWS

The Ontario Elementary Progress Report Card will be sent home with all students on Friday, November 15th. Please note and reserve time in your calendars for Parent-Teacher Interviews. Interviews will be scheduled the week of November 18-22. Interviews set the stage for a very positive year by having open dialogue with the teacher(s) about your child's progress thus far.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

We would like to extend a HUGE GRIZZLY SHOUT-OUT to our Parent Council for purchasing 20 new iPads for the students of P.E. McGibbon Public School! Our next Parent Council meeting will be held Tuesday, November 26th at 5:30 p.m. in the Learning Commons. All parents are welcome to attend.

P.E. MCGIBBON SANTA WORKSHOP

P.E. McGibbon is once again hosting a Santa's Workshop. Last year we were overwhelmed with the generosity of our community who donated items as well as monetary gifts. This year all proceeds will be used to help provide gifts to children through the Inn of the Good Shepard. Any donations of gently used items, decorations, gift bags etc. would be greatly appreciated. If you have anything to donate, please let the office staff know.

VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEERS WELCOME - Are you interested in becoming a volunteer at P.E. McGibbon? We are really looking forward to welcoming many of our parents and guardians into the school as volunteers to help with the following tasks:

- Bingo Fundraiser
- Reading with Students

If you are interested in learning more about the process to become a volunteer please contact the office. In order to keep our volunteer practices consistent, we ask that all parents and community members who volunteer at our school whether on a regular basis or on an occasional basis such as field trips, complete a Criminal Reference Check with a Vulnerable Sector Check. If you have had a Vulnerable Sector Check completed within the last four years, we require you to do a Volunteer Offence Declaration, which is available at the office.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: P.E. McGibbon (Zone 2)

In the event of inclement weather, listen to the local radio station or check the website www.schoolbusinfo.com for information regarding bus cancellations and school closures. Please keep the following in mind: in the event of fog, busses that are cancelled in the morning will run in the afternoon. When buses are cancelled in the morning due to snow, buses will not run in the afternoon.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

November is 'Enthusiasm' month at P.E. McGibbon. We will be holding our monthly Terrific Kids Assembly on Tuesday, November 5th to acknowledge our accomplishments for the month.

Assembly Times:

FDK-Gr.3 @ 2:30 p.m.

Gr.4-8 @ 2:00 p.m.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Friday, November 22rd is a Professional Development Day for staff. Students do not attend classes on this day. Students return to school on Monday, November 25.

GRADE 7/8 PARENT/GUARDIAN AMSS INFORMATION NIGHT

AMSS will be hosting an information session on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 to outline the pathways and programs available at AMSS. A school tour will follow with the opportunity to speak to the technology teachers. Refreshments made by AMSS hospitality students and door prizes will be available.

PEDICULOSIS

Spring and Fall are the seasons when head lice (pediculosis) are most prevalent in school children. Your assistance in early detection is greatly appreciated. Please check your child for head lice weekly. If you find evidence of head lice, please contact the school immediately. This will allow us to notify other parents in the classrooms affected so that they may check their child. Children who are suspected of having head lice will be excused until appropriate treatment has been administered. Infestation by head lice is an unpleasant nuisance, but not a health problem. Head lice do not carry or spread disease. By working together we can control the spread of head lice in our school community.

TREATY RECOGNITION WEEK November 4-8

As we approach Treaties Recognition Week, schools are working towards greater understanding of treaties, treaty relationships, and the responsibilities we have to raise awareness about Indigenous histories, cultures, contributions and perspectives.

BULLYING PREVENTION WEEK November 19-23.

As part of our Safe and Inclusive Schools/Anti-bullying campaigns, we continue to educate students about: respectful and responsible behaviour, appropriate ways to deal with conflict, and keeping their hands and feet to themselves.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We will honour our veterans on November 11th. We will be holding an assembly on Monday November 11th to honour those who have and continue to serve our country.

Remembrance Day Assembly: 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

ATHLETICS

Boys and Girls Volleyball! Our teams are playing on Monday and Wednesday evenings at P.E. McGibbon Public School. We wish all our student athletes and coaches the best of luck. Go Grizzlies!

LOST AND FOUND

Remember to check the lost and found box located in the front foyer and encourage your child(ren) to do so as well for lost or misplaced articles. Lost and Found items will be on display during our Parent Teacher Interviews.

With Appreciation,

P.E. McGibbon Staff