



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 16th. Please note and reserve time in your calendars for Parent-Teacher Interviews. Interviews will be scheduled the week of Monday November 19-23. 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

Our next Parent Council meeting will be held Wednesday, November 27th at 5:30 p.m. in the Learning Commons. All parents are welcome to attend. Consider becoming involved in this aspect of school life.

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.

GRADE 8 TO 9 IPRC PROCESS

We wish to provide all parents of students with IPRC identifications involved in the Grade 8 - 9 transition process the opportunity to hear a clear description of the process, the pathways available, programs and courses available, and the opportunity to ask questions about the destination of their child(ren) in the context of those pathways. Heather Touzin, Secondary Special Education Coordinator, will make a presentation to parents of identified students from all of our elementary schools in November. Meetings will be held from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Sarnia Education Centre (SEC) on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 for parents in Sarnia-Lambton.

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.

FUNDRAISER: POPCORN SALES

The intermediate classes will continue their monthly popcorn sales during the month of November. Order forms will be sent home November 5th and orders and money will be due on November 16th, with estimated delivery November 28th. December popcorn will be sold in the school during nutritional breaks starting the week of December 10th. There will be no pre-orders in December due to the shorter month.

Costs for all flavors offered will be \$2.25.

CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT

November is 'Enthusiasm' month at P.E. McGibbon. We will be holding our monthly Terrific Kids Assembly on Friday November 30th to acknowledge our accomplishments for the month.

Assembly Times:

FDK-Gr.3 @ 11:45 a.m.

Gr.4-8 @ 12:30 p.m.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Friday, November 23rd is a Professional Development Day for staff. Students do not attend classes on this day. Students return to school on Monday, November 26.

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 5-9

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.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We will honour our veterans on November 12th. We will be holding an assembly on Monday November 12th 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

