



Sir John Moore C.S.

November 2023

Mrs. Erin Gower, Principal
Mrs. Angela Côté, Vice Principal



@SJMKnights

Mrs. Jennifer Jarrett, Secretary
Ms. Chelsea Kukura, Clerk

Office Update

It is hard to believe that we are already entering into our 3rd month of school. Students have developed great routines, both within the classroom and out on the school yard. We are seeing growth in students learning as well as in their social and emotional well-being. Multiple clubs, activities and extra curriculars are up and running and it has been great to see the collaboration and connections occurring between classmates and teammates.

If you have questions or concerns at any time, please connect with your child's classroom teacher or the office.

Weather

November brings all kinds of unpredictable weather! Please consider sending your children in layers and perhaps pack a hat, a pair of mittens, and an extra pair of socks in their bag, just in case.



Progress Reports

Progress reports will be sent home on November 10 and interviews will take place on November 16-17th. These reports will give students and families an indication of how things are going in the first couple of months of the year as well as some next steps to focus on.

Further information will be coming shortly to arrange parent teacher interviews.

Treaty Week

The Lambton Kent District School Board (LKDSB) commemorates Treaties Recognition Week from November 5-11, joining school boards across the province in promoting education and awareness about treaty rights and treaty relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous people in Ontario.

Students at Sir John Moore have ongoing discussions, and will continue to discuss, complete activities, participate in webinars as well as other learning opportunities, to learn more about treaties and how we can each do our part to help look after our land.



November Character Trait- Responsibility

What is responsibility? We have a few different ways that we talk about responsibility. There's being responsible, taking responsibility, acting responsibly, and having responsibilities. In simple words, responsibility is about doing the

things we are supposed to do and accepting the positive or negative outcomes of our actions.

Responsibility

We can show that we are responsible by

- ✓ setting a good example to others
- ✓ solving our problems appropriately
- ✓ discussing our problems
- ✓ accepting blame if we do something wrong
- ✓ letting a teacher know when we see someone who needs help or is hurt
- ✓ owning our behaviour and the effect we have on others



Parent Council

Our next school council meeting will take place on Thursday, November 9th at 6:00. All are welcome to attend, and we would love it if some new families were able to join. If you have any questions, please call or email the office or contact one of our School Council Chairs (Karen Slater or Corrin Knight).

Volleyball

Volleyball season has begun! Ms. Clarke and Ms. Pash will be coaching our boys and girls teams this season. They all have been hard at work in preparation for their first game which will take place next week. Good luck this season!



Cross Country

Another cross-country season has passed. We had a total of 64 runners that participated in the City Cross Country Meet and of those 64 runners, 34 qualified for the District Meet. This is an accomplishment and a privilege in and of itself as all the best runners from across Sarnia to Chatham, to Grand Bend meet at Canatara Park to compete at our only District Meet.



These runners included: Abby G., Lena B., Madelyn S., Erica G., Bentley B., Tucker S., Ezra N., Silas F., Emery M., Tye M., Coulter M., Benjamin T., Noah B., Kennedy R., Ella W., Deklyn Q., Heidi G., Beckham B., Brody S., Max M., Boston B., Molly T., Julia G., Kenzie M., Hannah S., Remi G., Ethan A., Lynkoln G., Jack I., Claire I., Willow J., Lily V., Chase F., Tucker Y., Cooper O., Roman D., Congratulations to all runners and thank you to our coaches, Ms. Richardson and Ms. Jeansonne for all of their hard work!

Remembrance Day

Throughout the month of November, students will be learning about Remembrance Day and the importance of honouring and respecting the brave people that have fought for our freedom. Sir John Moore will be supporting the annual Poppy fundraiser for the Royal Canadian Legion through cash/ coin donation from now until Remembrance Day. A poppy will be distributed to each student at school on Remembrance Day.



Hot Lunches

Our hot lunch program is in full swing this school year. Please stay tuned to School Cash Online for details of upcoming lunches and to make purchases. On average, there will be 4 hot lunches each month with profits helping to support several initiatives throughout the school. As noted previously, all 4 hot lunches will be posted in School Cash Online, including milk and popcorn, from the 15th – 25th of the preceding month.



Inclement Weather

Sir John Moore is in ZONE 3 - In the event of inclement weather, listen to the local radio station or check your mySBI App for information regarding bus cancellations and school closures. Please keep the following in mind: In the event of fog, buses 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.

Upcoming Dates

November 5-11- Treaty Week

November 7- Gr 7/8 Immunizations

November 7- Knights/ Royalty Day

November 9- School Council

November 10- Remembrance Day Assembly

November 10- Progress Reports sent home

November 16/17- Parent/ Teacher Interviews

November 17- PD Day

November 21- Gr 8- IEP Meeting

November 21- Picture Retakes

November 29- Poinsettia and Cookie Dough Delivery