St. Gabriel Newsletter



Rapid Testing

Rapid Testing will be introduced in all schools shortly. We are being trained on how to administer these tests to students whose parents have given their consent (see attachments) and the training is taking place now.

Please send in consent/non consent forms.

New Grade 5 and 5/6 teacher

We would like to welcome Tracy Rosen as our Grade 5 and Grade 5/6 French teacher who will be replacing Viorica Saranuta.

New Head School Secretary

We would like to welcome Kelly Anastasiadis to the school office replacing Emily McCulloch who is now on maternity leave.

Terry Fox Run

We would like to thank all parents and students who participated. To date you have raised 1405.00\$

Report Cards

The Minister of Education has announced that there will only be two Reporting Periods The first Report Card will be available on January 21, 2021 and the second will be at the end of the school year, June 2021. The first reporting session will count for 40% and the of the final reporting session will count for 60% of the final mark.

There will also be two Progress Report. The first will be issued on November 17 and the other on April 21 2022.

The end of Cycle III exams will now count for only 10% of the final years mark.

Parent Teacher interviews

The first Interviews for Grade 1-6 will take place on November 18, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. virtually. Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten interviews will take place at the school. Appointments will be scheduled for 15 minutes. Teachers will consult with parents for an appropriate time. Specialists will also have times where parents can log on for interviews. Discussion will be on the progress of the student at this time.

Halloween Activities

St. Gabriel Students would like to thank the P.P.O. for organizing Halloween Festivities for them on October 29, 2021. A great scary thank you also goes out to all the parent and student volunteers.

Kalamari Game

Please use link about show from South Korea.

https://childmind.org/blog/incredibly-popular-super-violent-what-parents-need-to-know-about-kids-and-squid-game/

School Hours

Call in 7:45 a.m. Pre-Kindergarten Kindergarten

7:50 a.m. Grades 1-3 7:55 a.m. Grades 4-6

Homeroom 7:55 - 8:05 a.m. Morning Classes 8:05 - 9:35 a.m.

Recess 9:35 - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-3

10:00-10:20 Grade 4-6

Midmorning Classes 9:55/10:20 - 11:25 a.m. Pre-K and K Lunch 11:02 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. Cycle I to III Lunch 11:25 a.m. - 12:20 p.m.

Lunch call in Pre-K to 6
Afternoon classes
Afternoon Recess
Afternoon Classes
1:20-1:40 p.m.
1:40-2:40 p.m.

Dismissal 2:25 p.m. Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten

2:35 p.m. Grades 1-3, SEEDS K, SEEDS 1, SEEDS 2

2:40 p.m. Grade 4-6 + TRANSITIONS

Buses leave 2:50 p.m.

Please note that if students arrive earlier than the call in time, they need to line up in the appropriate yard and assigned place and wait for teachers to escort them inside.

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten in Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Yard area.

Grades 1-3 and SEEDS in Junior Yard area

Grades 4-6 and TRANSITIONS in Senior Yard area

Please respect arrival and departure schedule.

ALL PARENTS SHOULD WAIT BEHIND THE STREET BARRIER UNTIL DROP OFF OR PICK UP TIME, RESPECTING SOCIAL DISTANCING.

Do not let students of different groups mix (a one meter distance must be respected) while they are waiting with you.

WEAR A MASK WHEN DROPPING/PICKING UP YOUR CHILD.

Do not wait in front of FENCE or school yards. NO PARENTS SHOULD ENTER SCHOOL YARDS!

Late students (between 7:55 and 8:05 a.m.) MUST enter from the Hall Street (Junior yard) entrance. Do not drop off your child in front of the school.

RESPECT SOCIAL DISTANCING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

DO NOT STOP AND PARK ON HALL STREET (ACROSS THE SCHOOL) IN THE MORNING WHEN DROPPING OFF YOUR CHILDREN.

Fees:

Lunch Supervision Fees

Pre-Kindergarten-Grade 6 Lunch fees are 25\$ per month

In order to assist our larger families, the maximum payment per family will be for two children.

School Fees

This fee is set at 25\$ per child for Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten. This cost includes an agenda and worksheets.

It is 60\$ per child for grades 1-6. This cost includes workbooks, an agenda and worksheets.

(Please note that the dress code is optional for Pre-Kindergarten students.)

UNIFORMS CAN BE PURCHASED by appointment only. Please call or email idaskalakis@emsb.gc.ca OR send money with your child and a receipt will be issued.

Grade 4 Hepatitis Vaccination

Students in Grade 4 will receive their first Hepatitis vaccination on November 17, 2021 in the morning. The next dose will be in the spring.

The Safety Of All Children

We ask that parents review the Agenda with their children. Since we want children to follow our good example as adults, we ask parents to follow some simple rules:

Pupils enter the school through the schoolyard entrances. Grade 1- 6 MUST be wearing masks when entering the school and all common areas.

Parents please do not follow your child into the school. If parents need to take care of school business, they can come to the front entrance and stop by the office.

If entering school due to an appointment or inquiry all adults **MUST be wearing a mask**. For the safety of all children, visitors are not permitted to circulate throughout the school. Children learn to respect rules through our example as adults. We appreciate your cooperation with regard to these few rules.

Daily assessment of your child's health.

In accordance with Public Health guidelines, individuals exhibiting COVID-19 symptoms must stay home and contact the COVID-19 info-line at 1-877-644-4545 and follow instructions. Please contact the school administration immediately to inform them. That is, if your child has fever/chills, new or worsening cough, difficulty breathing, a sudden loss of sense of smell or taste without nasal congestion, sore throat, new onset headache, new onset pain (muscular, chest, abdomen, joints), new intense fatigue, new severe loss of appetite, sore throat, vomiting or diarrhea, your child must stay home.

If your child has any symptoms please have them stay home, isolate and contact 1-877- 644-4545 or 811 to determine if testing is needed for COVID-19 and when they can return to school. They need to be symptom free for 48 hours (fever) and 24 hours (other symptoms) prior to returning to school. We count on your vigilance as this is the most efficient way to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

CALENDAR

November 1	BOARD WIDE PED Day
November 7	Daylight Saving Hour – clocks set ONE HOUR BACK
November 11	Remembrance Day
November 17	Grade 4 Hepatitis B vaccination
November 18	PED Day- no school for students
	Parent Teacher Interviews 8:30 a.m 8:30 p.m.
November 20	PED DAY – no school for students
November 29	Governing Board meeting at 6:30 p.m. at St. Gabriel
December 2	Virtual Open House

Jim Daskalakis Principal