

St. Gerard School

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November 2020 Newsletter

Principal's Message



November is the month that reminds us of peace in the world. We remember the many men and women who sacrificed themselves so that we are able to live in a free country. To honour these people we should try to have peace in our lives and share that peace with others by showing kindness, generosity, love and caring for others in our lives, not only to those we care for but to all people that cross our paths.

Thank you to all of our families that are doing everything they are able to keep everyone safe. From wearing your masks, hand sanitizing and saying prayers, we are in this together to keep everyone safe and healthy.

Students have been preparing to share their learning. This year we will be sharing in a different way, not in person, but we will still be proud to share.

God Bless,

Miss J. Gilbert

Thank you!!!

A huge thank you to families who are not sending children to school when your child is sick, and coming to pick up promptly when called that they are not well at school. You are doing a great job following public health directives.

<u>Reminder</u>

The 2 handicapped parking spaces located near the gym entrance are to be used by vehicles with designated handicapped stickers ONLY – at all times.

Thank you for your cooperation.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

There will be <u>NO after school program</u> available on
Friday, December 18th. This is the last day of school before Christmas Break – and the children will be dismissed at 2:25 p.m. Please ensure you make arrangements to have your child picked up at 2:30 on that day.

SCHOOL BUS FAMILIES: please be aware, the <u>bus children will be dismissed at 1:25</u> on December 18th. Please be prepared to pick up your child at his/her school bus drop-off site approximately <u>two hours earlier</u> than the regular time.



<u>Student Led Conference Reminder</u> Thursday, November 5th – p.m. Friday, November 6th- all day

Student Led Conferences will be done by phone this year as per the email sent out October 28th.

Please be available to take the phone call at the time that your child has been scheduled.

If you haven't done so already, please confirm the phone number with the school.

Thank you.

White Elephant Sale News

St. Gerard School will be having its 3rd Annual White Elephant Sale. Shopping will be happening with social distancing this year. Donations of gently used items will be accepted from November 23rd – December 4th.

More information will be shared shortly.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Virtual Assembly

Tuesday, November 10th

Cadets, Brownies, Girl Guides, Beavers, and Scouts may choose to wear those uniforms on November 10th.

Poppies will be distributed to all students on Monday, November 9th Donations are gratefully accepted and will be forwarded to the Canadian Legion.



WINE RAFFLE

A huge thank you to all the families that donated wine for our wine raffle, your support is much appreciated! Tickets for the raffle will be coming home with children shortly.



St. Gerard School Christmas Concert will be virtual this year.

More information will follow

LATE ARRIVAL REMINDER

All students (includes all grade levels) that arrive late for school are to use the back lane entrance so they are able to hand sanitize on arrival.

Thank you for your co-operation.

ST. GERARD SCHOOL BUS INFORMATION

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: If your child(ren) will not be using the school bus, please phone Mrs. Wong at 204-981-3502.

In the morning, please call between 7:00 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. If there is no answer, please leave a message as Mrs. Wong may be driving at the time you call.

If you do not require the bus in the afternoon, please ensure you have sent a note to your child(ren)'s teacher to let them know not to dismiss with the bus students.

If you have any questions/concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you very much for your cooperation in keeping our bus riding students safe.

<u>REMINDER</u>

We try to be good neighbours to the homes that are our back lane neighbours. A reminder that these families have driveways to the lane and sometimes access their driveways when we are coming and going. Please be neighbourly and let them in and out. Be careful to not back into a neighbour's driveway and possibly cause damage to the neighbour's property ~ fence or vehicle. Also, please be cautious as you drive down the lane.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Just a reminder that the school is collecting **TABS FOR WHEELCHAIRS**. We are also collecting **batteries** and **markers** for recycle. Please call the office for details.

YEARBOOK UPDATE

We need to sell **30** yearbooks by **December 11**th

We have sold 6 Yearbooks as of October 30th. We still need to sell at least 24 more books in order to print the Yearbook in June 2021.

Please contact the school office if you require an order form.

DOES THIS BELONG TO ME?

Please encourage your children to check their classroom everyday for any items they may have misplaced.

REMEMBER ... your child's belongings & clothing should be labelled with their name. If items are labelled they can be returned to their owner!

