



St. Gerard School

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November 2019 Newsletter

Principal's Message

"PEACE BEGINS WITH A SMILE."

~ MOTHER THERESA ~

The month of November always has us thinking of Peace. Children learn about what veterans and soldiers have done for us so we may live in a free country. We remind everyone that Peace begins with each of us in how we treat each other, how we show respect and the way in which we solve problems. We all should make the effort to have Peace in our daily lives and hopefully this Peace will have a positive influence on others so they too may have Peace. What a wonderful world we would have if we Peacefully influenced others.

Each student has the potential to grow and learn- may the Student Led Conferences held at the end of October/beginning of November help each student develop positively both as a learner and as a member of the community of St. Gerard.

God Bless,

Miss J. Gilbert

*Congratulations to our newly elected members of
St. Gerard Student Parliament for 2019/20:*

PRIME MINISTER: ALIYAH **DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER:** STARLYN
PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARY: PRINCESS

**MEMBERS OF
PARLIAMENT:**

GRADE K-4
EVAN
JARED

GRADE 5
GENINA

GRADE 6
KIZIAH
AMAR

GRADE 7
ISHMEET
CHESKA

GRADE 8
LUKWASA
OLIVIA

Reminder

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.

⚡ Storm Volleyball ⚡



As we approach the end of the volleyball season, we thank the coaches for putting in the many hours they do for practises and games. Both the girls and boys volleyball teams have shown great team spirit and fair play throughout the season. Good luck to our Storm Volleyball teams in their final games!

For up to date scores and standings, you can check out the website: www.mcsaa.ca.

REMINDER TO STUDENTS & PARENTS

Students who wish to stay at school to watch any sporting events, **must** have a **written permission note** from their parent. Please **do not** phone the school office with "verbal" permission. If students do not have a written note, and are not picked up at 3:30, they will be sent to the *After School Program* to wait for their ride - and parents **will be** charged for this service. If your child is a "School Bus Student" - you must **also** contact Mrs. Wong to notify her.

Thank you!

Thank you to all who attended, made donations & volunteered at our Annual Halloween Family Fun Party.

It was a HUGE SUCCESS!

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

There will be **NO after school program** available on **Friday, December 20th**. 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 **bus children will be dismissed at 1:25** on December 20th. Please be prepared to pick up your child at his/her school bus drop-off site approximately **two hours earlier** than the regular time.



REMEMBRANCE DAY ASSEMBLY

will be held on

**Friday, November 8th
at 10:50 a.m.**

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Cadets, Brownies, Girl Guides, Beavers, and Scouts may choose to wear those uniforms on November 8th.



~ Best We Forget ~

*Our apology to
Ms. Elyshia Sylvia - who
is helping coach our
Boys Storm Volleyball
team. Her name was
missed in the October
Newsletter.*

*Thanks for
volunteering!*

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.

White Elephant Sale News

St. Gerard School is having its 2nd White Elephant Sale. The sale will be open to our children on Friday, December 13, 2019 during school hours. Donations of gently used items can be dropped off at St. Gerard School from November 18 – December 09, 2019. More information will be sent home shortly.

LOST & FOUND

Please encourage your children to check the “**LOST & FOUND**” bin at school for any items they may have misplaced. Items that are not claimed at the end of each month are donated to a needy organization.

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

REMINDER

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. Also, please be cautious as you drive down the lane!

Thank you for the help with this.

St. Gerard Parish – Fun Fiesta

St. Gerard Parish Fun Fiesta will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2019 in St. Gerard School Gym from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Raffle, silent auction, bake table, dessert table, vendors, Ole Country Store (white elephant table); Coffee, tea & canned drinks

Come and purchase a turkey dinner or coffee and dessert with your friends/neighbours.

All are welcome

Free admission

“Peak of the Market” FUNDRAISER

*Peak of the Market forms
were sent home*

Monday, October 28th

with orders due by

Friday, November 15th

Delivery day will be

Wednesday, November 27th



**SAVE THE
DATE**

St. Gerard School

2019

Christmas Concert

**Wednesday,
December 18th**

*Volunteers will be needed!
More information will follow*

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.

HOT LUNCH NEWS

Books of lunch tickets are sold from the School Office.

Please send either cash or cheque payable to :

ST. GERARD SCHOOL HOT LUNCH
for \$40.00 in an envelope with your child's name and grade.

Correct change for daily hot lunch would be appreciated.

A reminder that St. Gerard Hot Lunch is a made to order program. As you can appreciate, our volunteers have approximately 2 hours to prepare the lunch of the day. If your child is going to be late and would like to purchase lunch that day, please call the school before 9:30 in order to ensure a lunch will be prepared.

Thank you for your cooperation.

YEARBOOK UPDATE

We need to sell **30** yearbooks by **December 6th**

We have sold 26 Yearbooks as of October 31st.
We still need to sell at least 4 more books in order to print the Yearbook in June 2020.

SHOW & SAVE UPDATE

We sold a total of 106 App Cards.

Great effort everyone!

Mystery Reader

Mystery Reader is on-going to the end of the school year 2019/2020.

Please contact Mrs. Francisco if interested.

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.