



St. Gerard School

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November 2022 Newsletter

Principal's Message

"THE LORD WILL BLESS HIS PEOPLE WITH PEACE."

PSALM 29:11

As we start the month of November we think of the Freedom that the many men and women fought for so that we, in Canada, could live in a free country. Bless all people, give them wisdom, understanding and courage to say and do the right thing. Dear Lord, help us in all of our decisions, so that we may have peace in our classrooms, playground and at home. When we as a community are peace filled we can only hope and pray that others around us will also do the right thing and be peace filled and loving towards others. Acting in these kind ways will make our world a better place.

The students are hard at work getting ready for student led conferences. We were happy to see all the families coming to school and learning about what we are doing at school this year.

God Bless,

Miss J. Gilbert

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. The volleyball team has shown great team spirit and fair play throughout the season. Good luck to our Storm Volleyball team 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 **Wednesday, December 21st**. 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 21st. 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

Thursday, November 10th
at 9:15 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

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 7th
Donations are gratefully accepted and will be forwarded to the Canadian Legion.



~ *Best We Forget* ~

REMINDER

Please remember to include a spoon and fork with your child's snack/lunch if they will need one to eat.

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 5th White Elephant Sale. The sale will be open to our children tentatively on December 8 & 9, 2022 during school hours. Donations of gently used items can be dropped off at St. Gerard School from November 21 – December 02, 2022. 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.

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.

“Peak of the Market” FUNDRAISER

*Peak of the Market forms
were sent home
Wednesday, November 2nd
with orders due by
Tuesday, November 15th.
Delivery day will be
Monday, November 28th.*



**SAVE THE
DATE**

St. Gerard School

2022

Christmas Concert

***Thursday,
December 15th***

*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.

Daily Milk Sales



Daily milk sales continue at school - white or chocolate milk at \$1.00 cash or a book of 10 tickets for \$9.00 available from the school office (cash or cheque payable to St. Gerard School).

If you have any tickets left from last year they are still good for this year.

Student Led Conference

It was wonderful seeing all the families come to learn about your child's learning.

Reminder

This fall has seen many of us having congested noses and coughing. We need to stay home when we are sick and can return when symptoms are becoming less. When we are at school we need to wear a mask if still experiencing any symptoms. We also need to wear a mask for 10 days after we return from illness (public health directive). Staff will be asking students to mask if they are with symptoms at school. This will hopefully help mitigate the spread of germs to others. We all want to remain healthy and taking these precautions we hope will help. If you should need any rapid antigen test kits we still have many available for use-please just make a request.

If possible, please send masks with your child(ren).

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.



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Yearbook 2022/2023

As we grow older and look back on childhood memories, it is always nice to have pictures to help us remember. Our yearbook includes Pre-K to Grade 8 student individual pictures, class activities, school events, sporting events and more! St. Gerard has a tradition of publishing a yearbook filled with school year memories. In order to make this possible we need to sell 30 yearbooks by December 16, 2022.

To order your yearbook(s), please complete the form below and send \$15 (along with the form) for each yearbook you wish to purchase. If you require a hard copy of the form, please contact the school office. **The deadline to order yearbooks is December 16, 2022.**

Yearbooks will be distributed during the last week of classes in June, 2023.

If you have any questions please contact the school office at (204) 667-4862.

Thank you,
The Yearbook Committee



YEARBOOK 2022/2023

Order Deadline December 16, 2022

FAMILY NAME: _____

Wishes to purchase _____ yearbook(s) at \$15 each

Please provide the following information to help with delivery:

Yearbook #1 Student name _____ Grade _____

Yearbook #2 Student name _____ Grade _____

Yearbook #3 Student name _____ Grade _____

Total amount enclosed \$ _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please make cheque payable to: **“St. Gerard School Yearbook”**.
If paying cash, please bring the correct amount. Thank you for your support!