The Chartland Connection

"Little Hands do Big Things"
December 2019



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Dear Families.

December is here and the snow has arrived!

We know that severe weather will be part of our daily lives for the next few months. Please make sure that your child is dressed appropriately so that they can enjoy playing outside especially if there is snow. It is a good idea to have all their clothing items labelled so that if they get lost they can be returned. Lost items are collected and placed in the Lost and Found bin near the office and students are asked to locate items that they may have lost.

Student safety is always a priority and we encourage you to be aware if you are driving to pick up or drop off your children to school. Please refrain from making U-turns in the front of the school as there are many children walking and crossing the street. We encourage you to walk your children to school, however if you are dropping off or picking up your child, please use the side streets to park your vehicles. Thank you for keeping our school a safe for our students.

Our staff and students are busy preparing for our winter concert! On **Thursday**, **December 12**th **at 6 p.m**. we have our Holiday Extravaganza! We are looking forward to you all joining us!

We wish all our families a safe and happy holiday season and all the best for the New Year!

Annual Holiday Food Drive Give the Gift of Food!

Our annual holiday Food Drive has begun! We are asking each family to donate non-perishable

food items to help the needy families in our community. Our donations will be distributed by

the Agincourt Community Services Association during the holidays.

SHARING IS CARING!

School Council Movie Night - Join us for Movie Night on Thursday, December 5th at 6 p.m. Don't forget to pay cash on-line.





School Council Hot Chocolate Sing-Along!

On Tuesday, December 17th at 8:15 a.m. our School Council invites our families for a Hot Chocolate Holiday Sing-Along! Please join us in the gym!

Holiday

Food



Junior Girls Basketball Team

On November 22nd our junior girls took part in a Basketball Tournament at Flemming P.S. The girls played hard and kept positive as they played against many other school teams. Thank you to Mr. Montuno and Mr. Kwan for coaching and

preparing them to play!



Junior Boys Volleyball Team

On November 27th, our junior boys went to Timberbank P.S. and played a Volleyball Tournament. They used their skills and positive energy to play against many other teams. Thank you Mrs. Damian for coaching the team!



National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women - December 6

On December 6, TDSB students and staff mark the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women. Established in 1991 by the Parliament of Canada, this day coincides with the anniversary of the death of 14 young women who were tragically killed on 6 December, 1989, at l'École Polytechnique in Montreal because of their gender.

On this national day of remembrance, we honour the memory of these women and reflect on the ways that gender violence continues to affect us. For more information, visit Status of Women Canada and participate in their #ActionsMatter campaign. To find out how you can help prevent violence against women visit www.ontario.ca/page/lets-stop-sexual-harassment-violence. Within the TDSB, please contact www.tdsb.on.ca/gbvp for further support or questions on any issues related to gender-based violence.

Stay Healthy During Flu Season

Flu season is here again. In Canada, flu season tends to run between October and April. The Ontario government is encouraging Ontarians to avoid getting sick this flu season by getting their annual flu shot.

Toronto Public Health is recommending that whenever students and staff experience flu-like symptoms, they are sent home and do not return to school until they are no longer infectious to others. Therefore, ill students and staff should be symptom-free (especially from vomiting and diarrhea) for at least 48 hours before returning to school.

The primary concern is for the health and safety of all students and staff. Please note that no special measures are required when there is a case of influenza in a school or daycare. However, everyone should do their part to stop the spread of the flu. As parents, you can also assist by:

- -reminding children to wash their hands often especially after using the washroom and before and after eating;
- reminding children to cover their sneeze and cough;
- watching for symptoms of vomiting, diarrhea, dizziness, and/or high fever;
- informing the school if your child is ill;
- keeping your child at home when he/she is ill.

For more information, please visit the Toronto Public Health website www.toronto.ca/health, contact your family doctor, or Telehealth Ontario. 1-866-797-0000



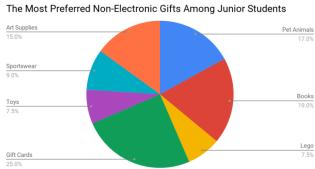
News from Mrs. Hylton's Grade 4/5 Class:

The Grade 4/5 students conducted a survey on the most preferred non-electronic gift for the winter holidays.

Survey question: What is the most popular nonelectronic gift for Junior Students? (Grades 4, 5, & 6)

1. The total number of students who did the survey was 53, 33 or 62% were boys and 20 or 38% were girls.

- 2. The 53 students that were surveyed are between the ages 8 11 years old. 2 students are 8 years old, 19 students are 9 years old, 18 students are 10 years old and 14 students are 11 years old.
- 3. From the 7 groups of the non-electronic gifts, gift cards was the favourite as 25% of the students preferred gift cards. Secondly, books still make a great gift as 19% of the students preferred books. Thirdly, junior students are still interested in having a pet animal, as 17% preferred a pet animal as their gift. The least favourite was toys and Lego.







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Character Trait of the Month: Kindness & Caring

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 Scientists in School room 14am Scientists in School room 11pm		4 Boys Basketball tryouts 3:15—3:45	5 Boys Basketball tryouts 3:15—3:45	6 PA Day - No School	7
	Day 2	Food Drive Continues Day 3	Day 4	Movie Night 6:00pm Day 5	National Day of Remembrance and Ac- tion on Violence Against Women (UN)	
8	9 Day 1	10 School Council popcorn sale at lunch French Club 3:15—3:45 Human Rights Day Day 2	11	12 Winter Concert 6pm Day 4	13 Lunchlady Birthday of Imam Aga Khan Day 5	14
15	Day 1	17 School Council Holiday Hot Chocolate and Sing-a-long at 8:15 French Club 3:15—3:45 Food Drive Ends Day 2	18 Kindergarten Parent-Child Celebration @2:15 Boys Basketball tryouts 3:15—3:34 Food Drive Pick up Day 3	19 Day 4	20 Recognition Assembly 10:00am Day 5	21 Winter Solstice Winter Break Begins
22	23 Hanukkah Begins	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day HAPPY KWANZAA	27	28 School Resumes January 7th