

George R Gauld JPS Parent Council Meeting
January 17, 2024, at 6:00 pm
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1. Welcome and Introductions: Stacy Kachru, Chair
 - a. GRG Parent Council is open to all GRG families
 - b. The goal for this year's Parent Council is to keep our GRG
 - i. Community engaged, supported, and informed.
 - ii. Confirmation of voting members in attendance to
 - iii. Vote on minutes from last meeting

2. Principal's Report - Marian Wall-Ryel, Principal
 - Demographics
 - o Currently at 258 (got 4 more students) but also had a couple students moved away
 - o No staffing updates

 - New Language Curriculum
 - o Math was new as of last year
 - o Language is now new, report card will look different and have 1 mark for language (instead of reading, writing, oral language, etc.)

 - Progress reports going home email Wednesday, Feb 14
 - o Interviews Feb 15th & 16th

 - Events & Extra Curricular
 - o Basketball happening now
 - o Choir twice a week, happening now
 - o Looking to book ice time at the Mimico Centre, dates will be confirmed ASAP, but looking to start second week of Feb and finish in March
 - Teachers will ask students in classes who has/needs skates
 - Will need volunteers

 - School Concert – Feb 8, aim of start 6:30
 - o Permit approved
 - o Kindergarten concert at 2pm the same day and will be finished by end of school day

 - Albion Hills – TDSB Outdoor Education Centre Grade 4 & 5 Trip Confirmed
 - o March or April, after March break

 - 100th Celebration

- Looking to book an educational partner for an art installation to commemorate the event & hoping the students can also be involved somehow
 - Fundraising Efforts/School Statement of Needs
 - Teachers requested funding help with (in this order):
 - 100th Celebration
 - Storage solution for outdoors
 - More iPads
 - Raised Garden beds
 - Budget & Treasurer Update
 - Current amount - \$3,753.51
3. Fundraising
- a. Spirit Wear
 - i. Another round of Spirit Wear sales in February
 - ii. Water bottles available now
 - b. Cards
 - i. Parent council will be selling Cards as a fundraising effort (birthday, holiday cards, etc.)
 - ii. Starting in February
 - c. Winter Concert
 - i. Options:
 - 1. Bake sale takeaway plates
 - d. Other options:
 - i. Gift card fundraiser
 - ii. Chocolate sales
4. Additional School Engagement Event
- a. International Day of Pink
 - i. Paint Night
 - 1. April
 - 2. Committee: Alva, Nicole, Emily, Jen, Shazia & Stacy
 - 3. Pay what you can
 - 4. 60 people per night
 - 5. Bring your own canvas and paint brush
5. Any other business
- a. Parent Reached out regarding the option of offering paid programming of chess, math, art, etc. at lunch

Next meeting March 27 via Zoom