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NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023

Message from the Principal

Scholastic Book Fair – We will be having our annual Scholastic Book Fair between November 7th-10th, 2023. November 7th will be the preview day for all student and classes. This is a chance for students to see what is at the Book Fair and write a wish list.

The Book Fair will be open for sales on the following days:

- Wednesday, November 8th, 2023
 - ✓ 1st Nutrition Break – JK to Grade 4 Students
 - ✓ 2nd Nutrition Break – Grade 5 to 8 Students
 - ✓ After School – 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, November 9th, 2023
 - ✓ 1st Nutrition Break – JK to Grade 4 Students
 - ✓ 2nd Nutrition Break – Grade 5 to 8 Students
 - ✓ After School – 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Friday, November 10th, 2023
 - ✓ 1st Nutrition Break – Last call for all students to purchase items from the fair.

We are looking for parent/caregiver volunteers to assist with the Scholastic Book Fair between November 8th-10th. If you are able to volunteer and have a current Vulnerable Sector Police Check on file at the school, please send your information and availability to Mrs. Zandberg at the following email address:

- anna.zandberg@granderie.ca

Parent/Caregiver-Teacher Interviews – Information and scheduled interview times will be sent home on Friday, November 10th, 2023 with the 2023-24 Progress Reports.

Yours in Education,

Mr. J. Poulimenos

NOVEMBER IS . . .

- ~Financial Literacy Month~
- ~Hindu Heritage Month~
- ~Indigenous Education Month~
- ~November~
- ~National Caregivers Appreciation Month~
- ~National Diabetes Awareness Month~
- ~National Epilepsy Month~

Indoor-Outdoor Shoes

Now that the weather is becoming cooler and more wet, students should have an extra pair of shoes at school for wearing during physical education classes and indoors. These do not need to be expensive and should only be worn indoors.



FlipGive – School Council – Reminder

The Oneida Central School Council is once again participating in FlipGive. FlipGive is the shopping rewards app for families that unlocks sales and shopper loyalty, which directly returns givebacks to the council.

FlipGive partners with some of the world's leading brands, using personalized rewards to connect with shoppers and inspire deep-rooted brand loyalty at meaningful moments in the shopper journey.

The link to be part of the school's FlipGive app is as follows:

<https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=3F9YCZ>

Remembrance Day

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, Canadians are asked to pause in memory of the thousands of men and women who sacrificed their lives in military service.

At public gatherings in Haldimand County and around the country, Canadians pay tribute with two minutes of silence to the country's fallen soldiers from Canada's involvement in the First and Second World Wars, the Korean War, and Canada's efforts during military operations and peace efforts.

Remembrance Day was first held throughout the Commonwealth in 1919. It marks the armistice to end the First World War, which came into effect at 11:00 a.m. on November 11th, 1918.



Dates To Remember – November 2023

Wednesday, November 1st, 2023

- Grade 8 Day @ MPSS

Thursday, November 2nd, 2023

- Grade 6 and 7 Class Trip to Glenhyrst Gardens

SAY CHEESE!



- Picture Retake Day

Friday, November 3rd, 2023

- Hot Lunch Day – Subway Day (PM)
- School Colour Day

Monday, November 6th, 2023

- School Council Hot Lunch Day – Pasta Day (PM)

Tuesday, November 7th, 2023

- Start Date of Online “Purdy Chocolatier” School Fundraiser
- Remembrance Day Ceremony @ Oneida Central by the Hagersville Legion

Friday, November 10th, 2023

- Hot Lunch Day – Pizza Day (PM)
- Hat Day
- Progress Reports sent to Families (K-8)

Thursday, November 16th, 2023

- School Colour Day
- Parent/Caregiver-Teacher Interviews (3:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.)

Friday, November 17th, 2023

- PA Day – No School for Students
- Parent/Guardian-Teacher Interviews (9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.)

Wednesday, November 22nd, 2023

- End Date of Online “Purdy Chocolatier” School Fundraiser

Friday, November 24th, 2023

- Moustache Day – Movember
- Hot Lunch Day – Subway (PM)



Tuesday, November 28th, 2023

- Intermediate Boys' Volleyball Tournament @ CSS

Wednesday, November 29th, 2023

- Grade 8 Day @ CSS



The Old Farmer's Almanac

November 2023 Long Range Weather Forecast for Southern Ontario.

Dates	Weather Conditions
Nov. 1-7	--Sunny, then rain and snow showers; turning chilly
Nov. 8-16	--Rain and snow, then flurries; cold
Nov. 17-27	--Snowy periods north, rain and snow showers south; cold
Nov. 28-30	--Flurries, chilly
November	--Temperature 0.5°C (3°C below avg. north; avg. south) --Precipitation 80mm (5mm above avg.)

(www.almanac.com)

Put Discipline in Writing

If your child resists rules and loves to argue, consider creating a written discipline plan. Together, identify your five most important rules and the consequences for breaking them. Allow your child some input but remind them that you have the final say. Then, instead of being



drawn into an argument, you can just point to the plan. Review and revise the plan as your child shows that they can stay within boundaries.

Think About the Plus Side

Middle schoolers often think, "I'm too" "I'm not good enough at" Turning negative thoughts into positive ones, boosts confidence and motivation. When your child is fixed on a negative idea, encourage them to ask themselves, "What are some positive thoughts I could have about myself? "How do these thoughts make me feel?"



GEDSB Days of Significance (November)

1	All Saints Day	Christianity
1	Take Our Kids to Work Day	Ontario
2	National Stress Awareness Day	Canada
2	All Souls Day	Christianity
2	Crowning of Emperor Haile Selassie I	Rastafarianism
5-11	Veterans' Week	Canada
5-11	Treaties Recognition Week	Canada
5	Daylight savings time ends	Canada
7	Student Learning Support Day	Grand Erie
7	International Inuit Day	International
8	Indigenous Veterans' Day	Canada
10	Dhanteras	Hinduism
10	Elementary Progress Reports (Term 1)	Grand Erie
11	Remembrance Day	Canada
11	Poland's National Day of Independence	Poland
12	Bandi Chhor Divas	Sikhism
12	Diwali	Hinduism/Jainism
13	World Kindness Day	International
14	World Diabetes Day	International
14-15	Bhai Dooj	Hinduism
14-17	Secondary Mid-Term Reports (Semester 1)	Grand Erie
14-18	Global Entrepreneurship Week	Canada
16	Louis Riel Day	Canada
17	PA Day - Elementary and Secondary	Grand Erie
19-25	Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week	Ontario
20	Universal Children's Day	International
20	Transgender Day of Remembrance	LGBTQ+
20-27	Transgender Awareness Week	Canada
23	International French Teachers Day/Le jour du prof de français	Various Countries
21-26	History Week of Arts, Culture and Creators in Canada	Canada
24	Martyrdom of Guru Teg Bahadur	Sikhism
25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	International
26	Christ the King	Christianity
26	Day of the Covenant	Baha'i
27	Birth of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib	Sikhism
28	Giving Tuesday	International
30	Saint Andrew's Day	Christianity

Please accept our apologies for omissions of any group or important dates. We make all possible efforts to publish Grand Erie District School Board's Days of Significance according to a variety of sources. If there are any comments regarding the Days of Significance, please inform our communications department.*



Understanding Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging

(Health and Social Services – Haldimand Norfolk – hnhu.org)

Awareness and understanding of diversity, inclusion, and creating a belonging environment can support the achievement and well-being of all students. Students who do not see themselves reflected in what they are learning, in their classrooms, and in their schools become disengaged.

Students who feel welcomed and accepted in their school, and see themselves reflected in the curriculum, are more likely to experience a greater sense of well-being and a higher level of academic achievement.

Discriminatory biases and systemic barriers such as racism, sexism, homophobia, and other forms of discrimination may prevent some students from reaching their full potential. Ensuring equity in schools stems from the primary principle that every student should have the opportunity to succeed personally and academically, regardless of background, identity, or personal circumstances ([Understanding Ontario's Education Equity Action Plan: Parent Fact Sheet](#)).

Key Points

- Inclusion improves student learning outcomes and builds empathy.
- Increased student connectedness promotes classroom engagement and school attendance and a positive attitude toward school and learning.
- Practices to support a students' sense of mattering can enhance their self-confidence, self-esteem, and their belief that they can have a positive impact on others and their world around them.
- Learning to recognize and celebrate how people are both the same and different helps students appreciate diversity and to respect and care for each other.

Prevent Illness this Respiratory Season

(Health and Social Services – Haldimand Norfolk – hnhu.org)

The HNHU would like to remind you of some healthy habits that prevent germs and infectious diseases from spreading. Learn them, practice them, and teach them.



Tip # 1

- The flu shot is recommended for everyone six months of age and older. Flu shots are available every respiratory season (i.e., November to March). It is important to get your flu shot every year.

Tip # 2

- When you are sick, stay home and rest. This will help stop the spread of illness.

Tip # 3

- One of the most important ways to prevent the spread of germs is to wash your hands. Our hands can carry germs, so it is important to wash them often, even if they don't look dirty.