

Hello Grand Ave families.

Please see below for upcoming events, a few reminders and/or updates:



### **Swings are Open!**

The repairmen were here most of the day yesterday working on the swings, and they are now ready to use! Thank you to our Grand Ave School Council for approving the use of funds to pay for the repairs.

#### **Halloween Dance**

Thank you for supporting our Halloween Dance. This was a great opportunity for our grade 8s to demonstrate their growing leadership skills, as they helped with everything from designing decor, set up, making the playlists, assembling and delivering the snack bags and DJ'ing the dance.

Proceeds will go toward the purchase of replacement charge cords for chromebooks and classroom playground equipment/wish list items (e.g., 4-Square balls, soccer balls), as well as small rakes and shovels for our littlest learners in Kindergarten for their outdoor play. Our grade 8s helped with this by polling classrooms for "wish list" items, looking at costs and preparing a spreadsheet for the office to place the order!

# Reminder - Time Change this Weekend!

Just a reminder to "fall back" this weekend and set your clocks back an hour!

#### **Subway Lunch**

Subway lunch is on Wednesday, Nov 6th. This item closes on SCO on Sunday at midnight so be sure to get your order in before then!

# **Upcoming Progress Reports**

On November 21st, your child will bring home their **Elementary Progress Report** (Grades 1-8) or **Communication of Learning Report** (Kindergarten).

While it looks much like the Report Card, the **Progress Report** for students in Grades 1-8 has a different intent. The purpose is to share early and specific feedback on your child's development of work habits and learning skills, along with his/her progress towards achieving the curriculum standards by the end of the school year. Reporting on the Progress Report is about looking forward and setting a course for the learning journey ahead. Based on the evidence that teachers see, as well as what teachers know about

learning at this grade level, this report communicates the path your child is on towards achieving grade level expectations by the end of the year.

The Progress Report <u>does not</u> include letter grades or percentage marks for academic subjects. Instead it identifies whether your child is progressing very well, well or with difficulty. For subjects in which your child is Progressing with Difficulty, the teacher will discuss specific next step plans needed for success. We look forward to partnering with you and your child for a year of great learning and growth.

Further information regarding Parent/Teacher Interviews will be forthcoming - stay tuned!



| Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday                         | Thursday                              | Friday                    |
|---|---|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Nov 4 - Day 3   | Nov 5 - Day 4                                     | Nov 6 - Day 5                     | Nov 7 - Day 6                         | Nov 8 - Day 7             |
| Lockdown Drill<br>9:30-9:45 am<br>*see note that went<br>home via school<br>messenger | Grade 8 Girls Lunch<br>Bunch<br>Intermediate      | Subway Day                        |                                       |                           |
|   | Volleyball<br>@Gainsborough (Boys<br>only)        |                                   |                                       |                           |
| Nov 11 - Day 8  | Nov 12 - Day 9                                    | Nov 13 - Day 10                   | Nov 14 - Day 1                        | Nov 15 - Day 2            |
| Remembrance<br>Day (stay tuned for<br>assembly details)                               | Picture Retakes                                   | Pizza day                         |                                       |                           |
| Nov 18 - Day 3  | Nov 19 - Day 4                                    | Nov 20 - Day 5                    | Nov 21 - Day 6                        | Nov 22 - Day 7            |
|   | Grade 8 Boys Lunch<br>Bunch                       | Pasta Day                         | Progress Reports go<br>home for all   |                           |
|   | Kdgn to WNSS to<br>see a play                     | Gr 3 & 6 Trip to<br>Jordan Museum | students in K-8                       |                           |
|   | Scholastic Book Fair in library (details to come) |                                   |                                       |                           |
| Nov 25 - Day 8  | Nov 26 - Day 9                                    | Nov 27 - Day 10                   | Nov 28 - Day 1                        | Nov 29                    |
|   |   | Pizza Day                         | Parent/Teacher<br>Interviews (details | PD Day - No<br>school for |
|   |   | Grade 8s to WNSS                  | to come)                              | students                  |

|  |  | for Grade 8 Day |  |  |
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Please know that I am always available to discuss your child's progress, along with any concerns, questions or compliments you may have at 905-945-2227, or via the Grand Ave email, <a href="mailto:gra@dsbn.org">gra@dsbn.org</a>.

Sincerely,

Ronna Parkhouse & Grand Ave Staff