



Community Weekly Update October 11-14

Monday, October 10	Day 0	Thanksgiving Holiday
Tuesday, October 11	Day 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gatestone Spirit Day – Wear Green & Blue or Gatestone Clothing
Wednesday, October 12	Day 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cross Country Grades 3-8 <p style="text-align: center;">Gatestone's Open House - Fall Time</p> <p>5:00PM-6:30PM Pizza, Ice-Cream cookies, Pumpkin Chocolate Raffles available in gymnasium. Scholastic Book Fair in our Learning Commons area</p>
Thursday, October 13	Day 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pizza Day
Friday, October 14	Day 3	Ms. Luker (Vice-Principal) at Gatestone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grades 6-8 NYA:WEH (first break & after school)

Upcoming Events/Activities

- School Council October 20 6PM
- Photo Day – November 10

Community Updates

Open House

Gatestone's Fall Open House is scheduled for October 12 at 5:00PM-6:30PM.

Scholastic Book Fair will be running in our Learning Commons area for families interested in purchasing some wonderful literacy resources. Please bring debit/credit for purchases.

We will also be selling ice cream cookies (assorted flavours), pizza, and chocolate pumpkin raffle tickets (initiative through Student Action Team) in our gymnasium.

To ensure you receive a pizza slice, please order your pizza through Cash Online.

Pizza \$2.50 per slice (purchase cash online prior to Open House)

Water \$1.00 (purchase cash online prior to Open House)

Ice-cream cookies (assorted) \$2.00 (purchase at Open House)

Cash online will close Tuesday, October 11 at 12PM.

Grade 7 & 8 Mental Health Workshop, October 14 or 19

Talking About Mental Health (TAMI) will be offered by Jill Dennison from the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) is a virtual presentation that is appropriate for students Grades 7-12.

Our Grade 7 and 8 classes will participate in this learning experience that is based on understanding the difference between Mental Health & Mental Illness - The goal of the presentation is to reduce the stigma surrounding the topic of mental health and mental illness, while providing a safe forum for students to discuss the importance of mental health.

Spirit Days

Gatestone Spirit Days are back every Tuesday. Students may wear Gatestone colours, blue & green or any spirit wear clothing. Breakaway Distributing has opened up our Gatestone Spirit Wear Products once again. Families can purchase spirit wear clothing by clicking on the link below. Clothing is delivered to the school. We will close the sales at the end of October. Clothing will be available by the end of November. Our school receives donations based on Gatestone Spirit Wear purchases. This funding supports student initiatives in our school (e.g., technology, extracurricular, DPA equipment).

<https://www.breakawaydistributing.com/ggb/team-gear>

Media Consent

The school requires information regarding media consent for your child. Please complete the Media Consent form in the Parent Portal. The school will also send a printed copy home this week. If you are not able to complete the form in the portal, please send back the printed copy completed by Friday, October 7th. Students can hand the form to their homeroom teacher. Our office will update records.

Please complete the media consent form by October 7th (printed or in parent portal).

We appreciate your support here

Mable's Labels

Gatestone will be fundraising for student initiatives this year with Mable's Labels. For every purchase of Mable's Labels items, Gatestone will receive a 20% Kick Back. The funding will support student funds at Gatestone for the excursion transportation, student supplies and technology.

School Council

Our 1st School Council first meeting occurred on September 28th. Thank you to our council members for supporting Gatestone initiatives this year.



School Council Team:

Jennifer Sarkis (Chair), Krystal Legge (Secretary), Pamela Morcillo (Fundraising Support), Billy Dhillon (Social Media Manager), Robyn Patchev (member at large), Barb Braun (member at large), Dragona Franjesevic (member at large), Emma Brooks (member at large), Renee Ringer (member at large), Heather McKenzie (member at large), Sanja Kekic (member at large)

Meetings will occur in-person and virtually throughout the year to accommodate families' schedules. Please see our website, School Council Page, for further details about Council. All parents/guardians are welcomed and encouraged to attend upcoming meetings. You do not have to be on council to be a part of our parent/guardian school action support.

Upcoming Council Meeting Dates: October 20, 6PM, November 24 6PM

GATESTONE CORE VALUES

RESPECT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS ARE EMBEDDED WITHIN OUR VALUES

RESPECT – REGARD AND CONSIDERATION FOR THE FEELINGS, BELIEFS, AND TRADITIONS OF OTHERS. BEING KIND TO OTHERS.

ENGAGEMENT – TRULY CARE ABOUT OUR LEARNING. FOCUSED IN THE LEARNING.

SAFE & SUPPORTED – SEEK TO UNDERSTAND ONE ANOTHER. CHOOSE TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER.

POSITIVITY – OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK. POSITIVE INTENTIONS.

COMMUNITY – GATESTONE FAMILIES AND STAFF WORKING TOGETHER TO IMPROVE AND MEET THE NEEDS OF GATESTONE SCHOOL. STUDENT, STAFF, AND COMMUNITY VOICE VALUED.

TEAMWORK – WORKING TOGETHER IN EFFECTIVE WAYS TO ACHIEVE A COMMON GOAL.



Equity