

## GORDON PRICE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

11 Guildwood Drive

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February 2019

*Gordon Price is a diverse school community filled with kindness, acceptance, potential and hope. Learning Together. We help using our kind words, helpful hands and caring hearts to make a difference.*



### From the Principal's Office

We have experienced frigid temperatures and lots of snow outside of our school this month. Inside, our students and staff are diligently working towards their goals. Students are back in routine coming and learning at school.

Our ECO Team led the water bottle campaign and sold more than 130 Gordon Price water bottles. The proceeds are supporting the purchase of water filling station. The Choir is practicing for the March 1st Bulldogs game as they sing the national anthem.

Our school goal is to create a community filled with kindness, acceptance, potential and hope. In the month of February, staff will be recognizing student and staff acts of kindness. For each recognized act of kindness and care, students will receive a heart with their name. Our school goal is to cover bulletin boards with our paper hearts. We wish our band and dance team all the best at their Festivals this month.

Report Cards go home on February 12th. It is an opportunity to review your child's achievement and set new goals for the final report card. We value parent and teacher collaboration to support our students. If you have any questions about the report card, please make an appointment to speak with our educators.

Mr. Patton

### IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event	Date	Event
February 6, 13, 20, 27	Pizza Days	February 6	Wear Yellow: Walk or Wheel to School Day
February 7	MADD Smart Wheels Presentation Gr 5/6 only	February 8	Spirit Day: Twin Day
February 12	Report Cards sent home	February 14	Valentine's Day Intermediate Dance
February 18th	Family Day: No school for students	February 22	Family Movie Night: Ralph breaks the Internet
February 27	Family Science Night	February 28	Lockdown Drill

#### Principal:

Mr. B. Patton

#### Office

#### Administrators:

Mrs. Sherriff

Mrs. Erben

#### Superintendent:

Mrs. L. Romano

#### Trustee:

Ms. B. Buck

#### Special points of interest:

- Important Dates
- Trustee Information
- Extra-curricular activities
- Website Subscription

#### PLEASE SUBSCRIBE TO GORDON PRICE EMAIL

Due to Anti-Spam Legislation, schools cannot use email to communicate with parents unless you "opt in" through an on-line process. All parents are asked to go to the Gordon Price website and click on "Subscribe" (or go directly to the link below). This will enable us to update you when new items are posted to our website. Helping us in this way will allow us to save hundreds of dollars in photocopying/paper charges that can then be redirected to purchases for classrooms (not to mention saving a few trees). You may "unsubscribe" at any time in the future.

<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/gordonprice/subscribe>

## **School Council News.....**

***Next meeting: Tuesday February 26th, 2019 at 6:30 in the Library.***

***Family Science Night: Our School Council submitted PRO-Grant proposal to host a Family Science Night for Grades K-6. There will be 10 stations setup in the gym for students and their families to complete. Our proposal was approved so it is a free event for families to enjoy. Please see flyer in this newsletter. A letter will be sent home next week.***

***Upcoming Family Movie Night: Friday February 22nd  
The movie showing will be Ralph wrecks the Internet.  
Doors open at 5:45 pm and movie begins at 6:15.***

## **Inclement Weather and School Closure**

Severe Weather Conditions – Severe weather across the District or in any part of the District may result in the cancellation of transportation services to the entire District. If the weather is severe enough, the General Manager of the Hamilton-Wentworth Student Transportation System will advise the Director or Designate of the road conditions and weather conditions. The Director of Education or Designate will then decide whether or not to cancel all school and board administrative operations. If the conditions are determined to be unsafe, The Director of Education or Designate will then inform Corporate Communications and the General Manager of Hamilton-Wentworth Student Transportation System of the cancellation of all school and board administrative operations. Corporate Communications will inform the community by contacting the media, the City of Hamilton, school-based child care providers and by posting cancellation information on the website and on a School Cancellation “Hotline”. The Director or Designate will make every effort to cancel all school and board administrative operations by 6:00 a.m. For more information on the Cancellation of School & Board Operations visit Weather Cancellation Infographic

<http://www.hwdsb.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/Weather-Cancellation-Infographic.pdf>

## **2019 Gordon Price 12- Month Calendars**

Gordon Price Elementary School published a 2019 Year Calendar. The inspiration of our calendar is student and school family well-being. It showcased the creative talents of our students through artwork and writing pieces. We had over 70 orders and sent them home in December. If you are interested in purchasing a calendar, please contact the school.

### ***Gordon Price ECO Team***

Our ECO Team had a successful water bottle campaign selling more than 130 bottles. The proceeds are supporting the purchase of a water filling station. The eco team did a waste audit for our classrooms because our awesome Grade 5 recycling team noticed a lot of contamination in our recycling bins. We are working on getting our students to understand the impact of our waste in the earth. Please reinforce these messages at home by having your child sort their lunch waste and by doing your best to provide litter-less lunches free from individually wrapped one use items. Boomerang lunches mean that all waste should go home each day, so food can be composted and you can be sure waste goes into the correct bin. Thank you for your support!

### ***March Madness***

Mark your calendars ... on March 8th, our March Madness Event will be returning! After February 8th, the school will be accepting new or used toys, stuffed toys, books, games, puzzles, jew-

## **Band, Choir and Dance Team Notes**

Senior Band has been practising and preparing for the Golden Horseshoe Musicfest happening Feb. 22nd.

Dance Team has been preparing for the HWDSB Dancefest on Feb. 15th.

Primary, Junior and Intermediate choirs meeting and learning different songs including O Canada which they will perform at the Bulldogs game March 1st. Tickets are on sale for \$18 until February 18th.

### **Parking and Drop Off:**

There is no parking in front of the school doors. The signage is very clear on where you can park or drop off. The area is very congested at entry and dismissal times. For student safety, please obey the signage around the school property. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

## Parents Corner

**Growing Together is a community education guide for parents, youth and children. This guide is published twice a year by McMaster Children's Hospital and Ron Joyce Children's Health Centre.**



**A sample of upcoming workshops ...**

**Help Your Child and Teen Stress Less February 25**  
**Why Little Kids Worry 3–10 years March 7, 2019**  
**The Shy Timid Child March 18, 2019**  
**COPEing with 3-12 Year Olds with ADHD March 29**  
**Why Won't They Listen? March 28**  
**Positive Parenting March 15, 2019**

**For more information visit:**

**<http://www.mcmasterchildrensfamilyresourcecentre.ca/>**

**or**

**[http://www.mchcommunityed.ca/files/  
GTGuideJanAug2019FinalWebsite.pdf](http://www.mchcommunityed.ca/files/GTGuideJanAug2019FinalWebsite.pdf)**

Join the Gordon Price School Community and Scientists in School for

# SCIENCE WOW

Hands-on science activities for an evening of family fun!



Wednesday February 27, 2019

6:00pm-8:00pm

Gordon Price School Gymnasium

A family friendly event, kids of all ages will enjoy the opportunity to participate in a variety of hands on experiments and activities. Experience the WOW and bring Science to life in your community.

Pre-registration is required to attend the event. Please indicate your interest in attending by contacting the school office.

Gordon Price Family Science Night is presented free of charge in partnership with



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