

## GORDON PRICE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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April 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

It is hard to believe we are in the month of May. We have experienced some warm temperatures and wet days.

In April, we continued our focus on student learning and building a positive school culture.

We had several special events and activities. Grade 3-8 students enjoyed a performance by the group, Hoza. Students participated in Pink Day activities to stand up against bullying. We have hung up positive message paper chains. We recognized World Autism Day and Office Administrators Day.

Our basketball teams completed their successful seasons and demonstrated sportsmanship and fair play.

We recognized all of our volunteers at an assembly and reception. Our volunteers support classroom learning, educational excursions, nutrition program, pizza days, and March Madness.

At Gordon Price, we all belong and want to celebrate our diversity and our positive school culture through these different events.

Mr. Patton

**Principal:**  
Mr. B. Patton

**Office Administrators:**

Mrs. Sherriff  
Mrs. Erben

**Superintendent:**  
Mrs. L. Romano

**Trustee:**  
Ms. B. Buck

**Special points of interest:**

- Important Dates
- School Council
- Health Curriculum Information
- ECO Team
- Community Connections

### IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event	Date	Event
May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	Pizza Days	May 6-10	Education Week and Mental Health
May 6	Music Monday	May 9	Open House and Book Fair
May 10	Family Movie Night	May 14	Chef a L'ecole Gr 7 and 8
May 15	Music Night	May 20	Victoria Day (no school)
May	Grade 3 EQAO		Grade 6 EQAO

#### **PLEASE SUBSCRIBE TO GORDON PRICE EMAIL**

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

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

*Thank you to all of the families who contributed to the Staff Appreciation Luncheon in April. It was very successful and well-received by Staff.*

*Next meeting: May 28th , 2019 at 6:30 in the Library.*

*Upcoming Family Movie Night: Friday May 10th.  
Doors open at 5:45 pm and movie begins at 6:15.*

# **Thank you Volunteers!**

Gordon Price School would like to thank our volunteers for their help and support for educational excursions, classroom support, nutrition program, school council and fundraising- March Madness and Pizza Days. We are currently looking for volunteers to help with our nutrition program on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Our ECO-Team is looking for help with the community garden this summer. Please contact the office if you can help.

### Fundraising Purchases

*This year's, Gordon Price's fundraising events included Pizza Days, Soup Day, March Madness, Fresh from the Farm, Milk Program and Music Events.*

*We have purchased the following items using our proceeds from the past 2 school years:*

*Set of Student iPads: \$4100*

*Gordon Price team athletic jerseys: \$1100*

*Water Bottle Filling Station:\$3000*

*Family Science Night: \$290*

*School Performances (HOZA and Carousel Players); \$1200*

*Trip and Transportation Subsidies: \$1000*

*Gym Audio Equipment: \$500*

### Grade 8 Graduation Information

Rehearsal: Tuesday June 18, 2019

Ceremony: June 19, 2019 at 5 pm. Sir Allan MacNab Secondary School



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

ECO-Team hosted an Earth Day Assembly about water and climate change and highlighted three notable people who are making a big positive impact for climate change: Jane Goodall, David Suzuki and Greta Thunberg. We hope this shows the students that one person can in fact make a difference and we as a school can make an even bigger impact each day with ethical choices for the earth. We will be having our outdoor clean up once the ground dries and it warms up. Our team is going for our 5th gold certification with Eco-schools and our 6th year as an Eco-school. They will be starting our vegetable garden in early June and they are looking for parent volunteers to help with planting and families to help with summer maintenance.

**Remember: Be Fantastic and Don't use Plastic.**

## **Music News ...**

Congratulations to our Primary and Junior Choir for their excellent performances at HWDSB Choirfest! Check out our Twitter account for highlights!

Monday, May 6th is Music Monday across Canada. We are celebrating having music in our school. The whole school will sing this year's Anthem, Hymn to Freedom in tribute to Canadian Jazz Pianist Oscar Peterson who wrote the song. The Coalition of Music Canada supports music programs across Canada, this year they have given us a \$250 which helped us purchase our new drum set.

Jazzfest is on Friday, May 10th at Sherwood.

Music Night will be held at the school, Wednesday, May 15th @6.00pm. Tickets will be sold at the door. All choirs, bands and dancers will be performing.



## 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 ...**

**COPEing with Impulsive Children/Teens: Strategies for Improving Self Control May 6, 2019**

**Social Skills: A Parent Skills Training Course May 15, 2019**

**What is Mental Health and How can I Support my Child/Teen? May 16 2019**

**Why Won't They Listen May 17, 2019**

**Managing Routines May 23, 2019**

**For more information visit:**

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

**or**

**<http://www.mchcommunityed.ca/files/GTGuideJanAug2019FinalWebsite.pdf>**