



Gordon Price Elementary School

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Weekly Update for November 11, 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.

This week, we had our first Lockdown drill with our Community Support Officer. The feedback was very positive as the drill was executed properly by students and staff. This week, we will have a "Hold and Secure" Drill for when there is an external hazard unrelated to the school.

Thank you to all of the families who met with our educators to discuss student progress! These meetings lay the groundwork for continued success and learning. We are beginning to experience cold weather and flurries.

Remembrance Day: We are having an assembly on November 11 beginning at 11:20 am. Students will receive a poppy from the school. Any monetary donations will be passed along to the Veterans.

Fresh from the Farm Fundraiser orders will be ready for pick up on Tuesday November 12th 3-4:30 pm.

We would like to extend best wishes to Ms. McManus as she awaits the upcoming birth of her child. A Long-term Occasional teacher will be hired in the coming week.

Parent Learning Opportunity: Unfiltered Facts about Vaping, Thursday November 21, 2019 – 7:00-8:30 pm. Liuna Station, 360 James St N., Hamilton, ON

Cold Weather and Outdoor Play: Time spent outdoors is an integral part of the school day. There are great benefits when children experience fresh air, exercise and time spent outside. Outdoor play is also a break from the structure of the classroom.

Depending on the season, preparing for outdoor play in Canada can mean anything from applying sunscreen to wear mittens and a hat. During winter, it's important that children come to school prepared for the cold. Students should wear boots, mittens/gloves and hats and it's a good idea to pack extra mittens, socks, etc. in case they are needed.

Principals can always use their judgment to decide whether to send students outside for recess. However, HWDSB asks Principals to follow the City of Hamilton recommendation that individuals stay inside when the temperature is at or below -15C or -20C with wind chill. Questions or concerns regarding winter outdoor play should be directed to the school Principal.

Parents are encouraged to go to hamiltonschoolbus.ca to check for any potential transportation delays.



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Volunteer Opportunity: Our School Nutrition Program is looking for a volunteer or volunteers to preparing and organizing our snacks for the next day. We are needing help for Monday and Wednesday mornings beginning at 9 am. Please call Mrs. Sherriff for more information.

French Immersion Information Nights for SK Parents:

7-8 p.m. Tuesday, November 12 at Parkdale Elementary School (139 Parkdale Ave. N., Hamilton)

7-8 p.m. Tuesday, November 19 at Mountain View Elementary School (299 Barton St., Hamilton)

7-8 p.m. Tuesday, November 26 at Lawfield Elementary School (45 Berko Ave. Hamilton)

Upcoming dates:

November 11th: Remembrance Day

November 12th: ECO Team Book Exchange

November 12th: Fresh from the Farm Order Pick-up 3:00-4:30 pm

November 12th: School Council Meeting 6:30 pm in the Library

November 14th: Educational Assistant Appreciation Day

November 17-24: Bully Awareness Week

November 20: Dental Screening Day

November 21: Carousel Players visit Gordon Price "Water Wonder"



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It is time for another Gordon Price Book Exchange!

Our eco-team is having another Book Exchange this year on **Tuesday, November 12th**. This teaches the children how reusing can be fun and educational!

Please have your child bring in a good condition book to exchange for a new to them book **between now and Thursday, November 7th**. They will be given a ticket to go shopping for their "new" book on Tuesday, November 12th. Since this event is based on donations, it is a **free** event! Children can bring in as many books as they want but will only be able to take 5 home with them. So, clean off your book shelves and make way for some new books to enjoy at home!

We will require a few **parent volunteers** to help us out on the day of the book exchange (Nov. 12th). This will involve being at the school from 8:30 until about 11:00 and staying in the library to take tickets from the students who are shopping. If you are interested in helping, please email Mrs. Gidge as soon as possible: kgidge@hwdsb.on.ca

Thank you for your support!

The Gordon Price Eco-Team



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possibility.

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