

Millgrove Principal's Report – November 2020

Current population is 140 in-school & 28 remote school
Students were moved in the grade 4/5 and grade 3/4 classes.
Mrs Bailey is now .5 Kindergarten and .5 remote school.
Mrs Mason and Ms Boeckh are covering the other .5 of room 113 kindergarten class.
Mrs Dahmer and Mrs Mason are splitting the grade 3/4 PE class which is taught daily.
Ms Stevens will be with the grade 1 class until at least January 15.

School day – Students switched up their grids on Nov 2. Mrs Nedelko's class kept the larger area at the back as they are the largest class. Students in grades 1-5 are eating in their classroom 15-20 minutes before recess. Recess continues to be 40 minutes twice daily (this includes 20 minutes Daily Physical Activity which is mandated by the Ministry and which the kids need). Students must stay with their cohort group at all times.

Anticipate that 20 iPads will arrive this week to be distributed in Ms Stevens class. On Friday, the board sent a survey to all families to assess their "remote learning preparedness," asking them to consider if they have all the tools and resources necessary for their children to work comfortably from home. The board has no immediate plans to close schools, but sent the survey to families just in case at the request of the Ministry of Education.

Bus route 6130 should be on schedule with Liz's return today!

Childcare is well integrated into the Millgrove school day – childcare does have protocols that they are required to follow that can be different from those of the school, e.g., illness and lice policies.

PowerSchool – student verification forms are available in the Parent Portal. Please check them and verify them so that your child's contact information is up-to-date. The Attestation form (which only need to be completed if student is away for COVID related reasons) is also available in the portal as well as a parent tech survey. Please take a look at these and make any changes to keep your contact information up-to-date.

Renovation update: Gym electrical has been repaired. Front entry canopy lighting has been installed and the metal roof install is all that is outstanding.

School yard – Thank you to all families that helped with Go for Green, the weekend version on November 7. The refresh is especially noticeable in the K area and Peace Garden. Facilities removed heaving concrete and broken drainage pipe in Peace Garden.

Hallowe'en worked out well on October 30. Staff found that the outdoor dance and party in a bag made the event fun and everything ran smoothly in all of our classrooms. Please note that the tax receipt will be made out to the person named on the cheque and that the list has been submitted to the Hamilton Student Success Foundation. Thank you for your support of Millgrove School.

Greenville Transition meeting is scheduled for November 17 at 6PM.

Please check your child's portfolio in the Hub for weekly updates about school work, art and pics of what your child is doing in class in lieu of agendas and work going back and forth. The Board also has a number of paid subscriptions available through the Virtual Library on the Hub such as TumbleBooks for the younger kids and TeenBookCloud and for the older ones.