

DECEMBER 2023

HARROW SCHOOL



Dear Harrow Families/Guardians,

December is finally here! We are enjoying this balmy weather and waiting with anticipation for snow! As the weather is beginning to change on us, we ask that our students be ready for those changes. Please make sure that your child has proper outdoor gear. Reach out to us if you have any questions. We are asking that students have an extra change of clothing at school in the event that they need to change into drier clothing after being outdoors. Once we have enough snow on our school grounds, we will bring out the sleds. If students choose to use the sleds, they must be wearing snow/ski pants. If temperatures reach -27 or colder, students remain indoors for recess. Supervision will still be in effect when students are indoors.

November was an exciting month. We had our Remembrance Day assembly on November 10th. We welcomed Lieutenant Hugh Park from the Canadian Armed Forces who spoke to students about his peacekeeping work in the Canadian Armed Forces. We also welcomed our families/guardians for our Parent/Teacher Conferences on Thursday, November 16 (evening) and Friday, November 17 (morning). This was an opportunity for students to discuss their learning with the classroom teacher and their families/guardians. We had a 98% turnout. We truly believe that together, we can support your child's learning journey. If you missed your child(ren)'s conference time, please contact the classroom teacher to rebook a time to discuss your child(ren)'s learning. Your feedback is greatly appreciated as we are always looking for ways to better serve our community.

Ms. Devlin has organized once again a Leadership Team. This group of students aim to provide leadership opportunities throughout the school. One opportunity they have been taking part in is the Koats For Kids drive. We were able to provide necessary winter gear for many of our students through your generous donations. Thank you! On November 16th and 17th, we hosted the Scholastic Book Fair. We thank you for your continued support in promoting literacy. Ms. Gordon has been running a Volleyball Club for the Grade 6 students in preparation for the annual Volleyball/Triple Ball Tournament which will take place on Wednesday, December 6th at Montrose School. We wish our Grade 6 players much success.

On November 30th, the students in Grades 5 and 6 attended the annual production of Ad Astra at Grant Park High School. The Grade 5/6 students in room 10 will be going to Bethel Place for some holiday carolling on December 15 in the afternoon.

It is Holiday Season time! We are collecting non-perishable food items. These items can be brought to school and dropped off at the front entrance in a bin we have provided for these items. We are also requesting items for our Holiday Store. These items can be small trinkets, knickknacks, gently used toys/games, etc. Students will then have an opportunity to shop for someone in their family on December 13th and 14th. This has been a long tradition here at Harrow School. Our students love to shop for family members. More information about the Holiday Store will be coming out shortly.

The students from Nursery to Grade 6 have been planning meticulously the Christmas/Winter Concert. This year's theme is Snowy Day, based on the book, The Snowy Day, by Ezra Jack Keats. The concert will be on Tuesday, December 19 at 6:30 pm. It will be at the Bethel Mennonite Church. You are all welcome to attend. There is no admission, however we are asking for donations of non-perishable food items. We will also have a silver collection that evening. The money raised will go towards purchasing decorations and costumes/accessories for the students performing at the concert. Please refer to the school calendar for more information.

If you have questions or need clarification, please do not hesitate to call the school.

The festive season is truly magical. Hope you and your family enjoy it to the fullest!

Fernando Batista









PAC LUNCH PROGRAM

Lunch Program Fees are due by the 20th of each month.

Please contact Angela Jones Lunch Program Co-ordinator at:

harrowlunchprogram@live.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Lunch program will now be accepting etransfer via harrowlunchprogram@live.ca You will need to send an e-transfer every

Please include student name and month of payment when you are sending an e-transfer.

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PAC MEETINGS ARE ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH.

Tuesday, Dec 5, 2023 @ 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan 9, 2024 @ 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Feb 6, 2024 @ 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Mar 5, 2024 @ 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Apr 2, 2024 @ 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, May 7, 2024 @ 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, June 4, 2024 @ 6:15 p.m. PLEASE EMAIL THE SCHOOL AT HARROW@WSD1.ORG IF YOU HAVE A CHNAGE OF ADDRESS OR IF YOU HAVE A NEW PHONE NUMBER.

IF YOUR CHILD(REN) WILL BE AWAY FROM SCHOOL FOR ANY REASON, PLEASE CALL SAFE ARRIVAL AT 1-855-278- 4513 TO REPORT THE ABSENCE.

YOU MAY ALSO VISIT HTTPS://GO.SCHOOLMESSENGER.CA OR DOWNLOAD THE APP TO REPORT ABSENCES.









STOP!

Do not bring fish, shellfish, peanuts or nut products into Harrow School.







