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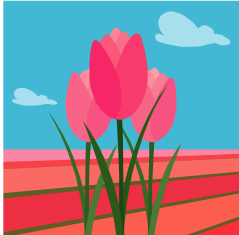
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GROSVENOR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Administrative Message



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Upcoming No Class Dates:

- April 7th, 2023
- April 14th, 2023
- May 1, 2023
- May 19th, 2023
- May 22, 2023



Welcome back! I hope you all had a wonderful spring break and have eased back into the first week of school. It's hard to believe that it is April already! Our third and final term of the school year is here and it will be a busy one with preparations in full swing for our big Spring Concert and the celebration of our 100th birthday.

Although the weather this week calls for a spring storm (not April showers), please know that many children are getting wet during recess time. A friendly reminder to **please send in an extra pair of clothes for your child. Thank you!**

Staffing update:

Ms. Squair will continue to be on leave until further notice. Ms. Yang will remain in the Phys. Ed. position. Please take a peek inside the newsletter to read an exert from Ms. Y. You will get a chance to see what she looks like and all the happenings inside the gym in the month of April.

It is at this time of year that the staffing process begins. Our enrollment has stayed steady at around 150 students. We are seeing a noticeable increase in Nursery and Kindergarten numbers than in the last couple of years. Our numbers aren't quite where they need to be at to have a morning and afternoon class but are thrilled to see our N/K program grow.

In the month of April, I will receive our staffing complement for the 2023-2024 school year and from there, we will map out staffing positions and classrooms configurations, based on our current/anticipated student numbers. Please stay tuned, as soon as further information is available, you will be notified.

A shout-out to our student council for planning such a fun spirit week! Our student council reps asked for input from each of their classes and shared all ideas at our lunch meeting. From there they put together an awesome week of fun! See inside newsletter for loads of pics!

On behalf of the Grosvenor Staff, I want to thank you again for spoiling us rotten during staff appreciation week! A very special "thank you" to Laura, Jacky and Beth for all their hard work organizing. We felt VERY appreciated. We care deeply about your children and are honored to work in such an incredible and supportive community.

A reminder that on **Wednesday, April 12th**, we will wear pink to acknowledge the International Day of Pink. International Day of Pink is an opportunity to renew our commitment to diversity and inclusion by combatting all forms of discrimination that fuel bullying and violence, which many LGBTQ2 youth continue to face. By wearing a pink shirt on this day, we stand in solidarity with LGBTQ2 communities in Canada and everywhere, as we continue to promote an equitable society where everyone is free to be their true authentic self.

Best regards,
Camie

A look-a-head to May 2023

May 1st	No Classes—School Inservice
May 18th	Spring Concert
May 19th	No Classes—School Inservice
May 22nd	Victoria Day—No Classes
May 25th	Grosvenor School's 100th Celebration



**Of Growing at
Grosvenor!**

News from the GSA

It's the final stretch—three months before we've got our kids home. Whether that strikes joy or dread in your heart, you are not alone. And in the meantime, here's what your GSA has been working on:

Winter Extravaganza: Although belated, our winter extravaganza was a fantastic evening of sledding, skating, and pizza. Thank you to our special events organizer, Marla Cameron, with help from Dana Cameron, Alex Vanderhooft, Kaleigh Rosenblat, and Laura Matlashewski. It's wonderful to be able to come together as a school community.

Staff Appreciation Week: A huge thank you to Beth Edwards, Jacky Anand, and Laura Matlashewski for organizing a fantastic week of treats to show the Grosvenor teachers and staff that we deeply appreciate the care and energy they put into our school. And thank you to all the families who contributed a donation to this slush fund that was used to purchase delicious food, and other treats. We spoiled the staff with Smith Bagels, Oh Donuts, Deluca's lunch, Lilac Bakery cupcakes, Pennyloaf treats, and daily coffee from Sharecutterie.

And we have more great upcoming GSA events:

Wednesday, April 12: GSA Meeting at 6:30. Yes, these are usually held on Thursdays, but we're going to move to Wednesdays for the future (think soccer, and also life).

Annual General Meeting: Stay tuned for this important meeting in June. And please consider whether you would like to join the GSA executive for the next school year.

Fun Fair: For those new to Grosvenor, this is a fantastic school event where the school yard is transformed into a carnival, complete with bouncy castles, fair games, food, prizes, and more. Stay tuned for opportunities to volunteer. The date is TBD, but it will be in the month of June.

Snow, slush, and spring light,
Your GSA

2022-2023 GSA Officers

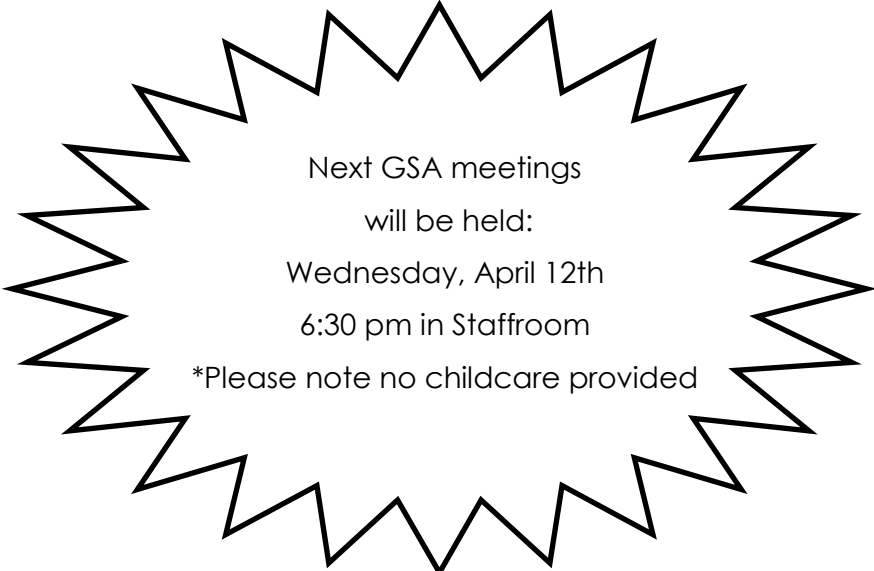
Co-Chairs: Laura Matlaschewski and
Kaleigh Rosenblat

Vice-Chair: Greg Grahn

Treasurer: Heather McLeod/Leslie Roy

Secretary: Christina Penner

Lunch Program Coordinator: Tanya



Next GSA meetings
will be held:

Wednesday, April 12th
6:30 pm in Staffroom

*Please note no childcare provided

News from the GYM! by Ms. Yang

Hello!

My name is Ms. Yang. I love helping young people learn about the benefits of exercise including building strong bodies, having fun, and working together. I have also been involved in coaching basketball, volleyball, and badminton with youth ages 6-18. With that being said, I am so excited to be able to share my enthusiasm, knowledge, and passion for physical activity/sports with the students here at Grosvenor!

All grades have been participating in low organized and cooperative games this past month to support and enhance their fundamental movement skills. During this time, I was able to connect with and begin getting to know the students.

(Nursery - Gr. 2) In the month of April, I plan to introduce basketball, implement station work and cooperative games within my lessons.

(Gr. 3-6) In the month of April, I plan to introduce units such as basketball and floor hockey. In addition, activities supporting cardiovascular endurance, fundamental movement skills and personal/social management skills will be included.



New Painting Club for Gr. 2/3's by Ms. Kornelsen

2 Painting Clubs will take place for the month of April in Room 5. Students will be split into a Tuesday Club and a Thursday Club, which will begin the week of April 11th/13th and ending April 25th/27th giving each group 3 sessions. Students will be following a directed painting series, completing 1 painting by the end of the month. Participants are asked to bring a smock or old t-shirt to use during our painting as we will be using acrylic paint, which does not wash out of clothes as easily as washable paints do. (please check backpacks for a letter going home)

Sincerely,

Aaryn Kornelsen

Grade 1/2 Classroom Teacher

News from the Music Room by Ms. Hanton

Students in all grades are in the midst of learning music for our spring concert.

Our Spring Concert is a show written and directed by Ms Robbins and myself. The students will be taking you on a journey through the last century of music from the perspective of a student Grosvenor School. In case you missed it - we are 100 years young! All of the classrooms and their teachers have been presenting assemblies throughout this school year, giving us some insight into how life has changed since 1922 - toys, politics, sports, activism, fashion, and of course music have been highlighted and presented. And now it's your turn to enjoy all the fun of travelling back in time!

Rehearsals:

Wednesday May 17: Drama Club @ Tech Voc Time TBD, parent drivers needed.

Thursday May 18 @ Tech Voc 9:30 - 3:00 (bussing provided to and from the theatre)

***Date of the Show: Thursday May 18 @ Tech Voc 6:30 - 8:00 - please arrive at 6:00 pm**

Tickets will be \$5 per person to cover the cost of equipment rental, bussing to the venue for rehearsal, and incidental costs which total approximately \$2000. Tickets will be available on May 1, 2023. Letter regarding same will be sent out the week before.

Costumes: we are requesting that the costumes be provided by the families this year. We will send a letter home with your child next week with some ideas for costumes, but if you would like to get started, here are the classrooms and the decades assigned to each one:

N/K - 1970s

1/2 Banks - 1950s

1/2 Kornelsen - 1960s

3/4 Robbins - 1940s (military)

4/5 Anderson - 1980s

4/5 Sobral - 1990s

6 - 2000 - 2020

Make-up: your child is welcome to wear make-up to suit the era!

Note: **Drama club** students and narrators will need a costume to depict the era that they are introducing in the script. More on that to follow!

Please contact me by email at jhanton@wsd1.org with any questions.

Joan Hanton, B.Mus.,B.Ed.

Music Teacher

Grosvenor School

News from Stem & French by Mr. Mont

STEM

With the coding portion of the year drawing to a close it is time to take stock and reflect on all that the students have learned and how amazingly far they have come. The grade 1/2 classes have finished the first in a series of courses on Code.org and have become proficient at problem solving using block coding. One of the grade 2s has even far exceeded what the grade 5/6s have accomplished! It is truly amazing how fast these young minds learn in a virtual medium.

Grades 3/4/5/6 have parlayed their previous experience with block coding into a very successful and fun section using Microbits. These students were provided a series of goals for which to write code and without fail students repeatedly rose to the high expectations set and often jumped over that bar. The benefit of having a physical tool in their hands provided an authentic coding experience and offered an opportunity to imagine how coding skills might work in the wider world.

In all cases, students were extremely excited when coding class was on the schedule and many brought their work home and pushed further, on their own. If you are interested in talking about this with your children, the following websites supported our learning this year:

Main:

<https://code.org/> (main)

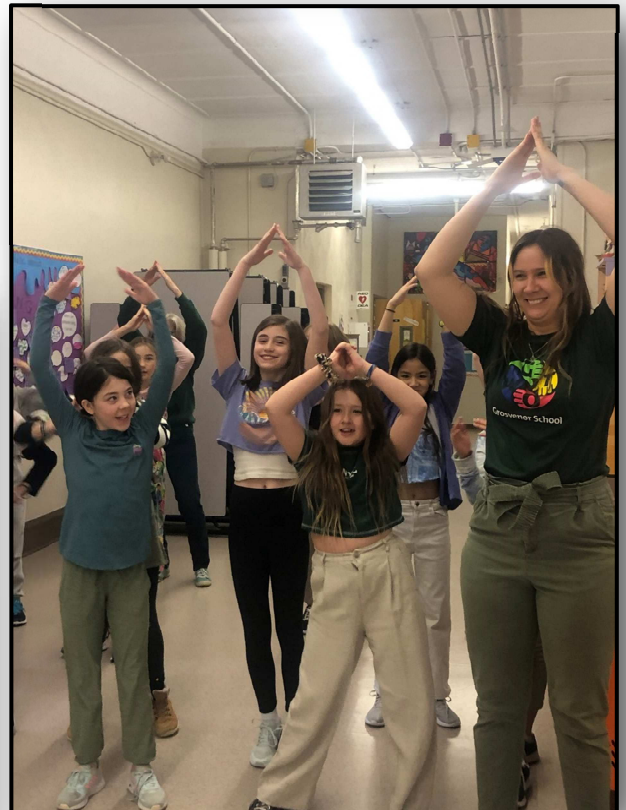
<https://makecode.microbit.org/> (main)

<https://scratch.mit.edu/> (secondary)

Français

There is much on the horizon for April, in the French Lab. Students will be adding a deeper understanding of the use of gender in French language and a body parts refresher to their knowledge of clothing, families, numbers and colours. These skills will culminate in a short art piece and a longer term, inter-student conversation unit in which generation of new language will be the focus. The goal of the third term will be for students to be able to speak to anyone whilst describing another person and their relationship to themselves, their wardrobe, and be able to pose a question or two to another person about their description. It is a high bar for sure, but I am confident that our students can rise to the challenge and really find success in language creation that will further drive their love of learning languages in general.

Il y a beaucoup à l'horizon pour avril, au laboratoire du français. Les élèves ajouteront une compréhension plus profonde de l'utilisation du genre en français et un rappel des parties du corps à leur connaissance des vêtements, des familles, des nombres et des couleurs. Ces compétences aboutiront à une courte œuvre d'art et à une unité de conversation inter-étudiants dans laquelle la génération du nouveau langage sera au centre des préoccupations. L'objectif du troisième trimestre sera que les étudiants puissent parler à n'importe qui en décrivant une autre personne et leurs relation à eux-mêmes, leurs garde-robe, et pouvoir poser une question ou deux à une autre personne sur leurs description. C'est certain que la barre est haute, mais je suis convaincu que nos étudiants peuvent relever le défi et vraiment réussir dans la création linguistique, ce qui stimulera d'avantage leurs amour de l'apprentissage des langues en général.







Pictures from the Winter Outdoor Fun







Attention Caregivers Inclusive Education Advisory Committee

The Inclusive Education Advisory Committee is an Advisory Committee to the Winnipeg School Division Board of Trustees comprised of parents/guardians of students with inclusive needs in WSD.

The Inclusive Education Committee is open to feedback from any parents/guardians of a student with inclusive needs on programs and services, and also provides networking with other parents with similar advocacy needs.

The Committee's first meeting will be held
at Technical Vocational High School
on April 12, 2023, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Parents/Guardians who are interested in participating
as a member of this Committee please contact the
Board Office at 204-789-0469 or email Board@wsd1.org.



Inclusive Education includes
any students with exceptional
learning needs including
social/emotional, behavioural,
sensory, physical, cognitive/
intellectual, communication,
academic or special
healthcare needs.





April 2023



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<div>  <div>Spring Break</div>  </div>				
Day 5 3 <div>First Day Back!</div>	Day 6 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am 	Day 1 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drama Club 3:30-5pm 	Day 2 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am Dance Club Gr. 1-3 12noon 	Day 7 7 <div>Good Friday No Classes</div>
Day 3 10	Day 4 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am Painting Club Gr. 2-3 12noon 	Day 5 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drama Club 3:30-5pm <div>International Day of Pink Wear Pink today!</div>	Day 6 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am MYRCA Book Club 12noon Painting Club Gr. 2-3 12noon Gr. 4's Swimming Counts Bus leaves 12noon 	Day 1 14 <div>NO CLASSES Inservice Day</div>
Day 2 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dance Club Gr. 1-3 12noon 	Day 3 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am Painting Club Gr. 2-3 12noon 	Day 4 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drama Club 3:30-5pm 	Day 5 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am Painting Club Gr. 2-3 12noon Gr. 4's Swimming Counts Bus leaves 12noon Gr. 6 Assembly 	Day 6 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last MYRCA Book Club 12noon
Day 1 24	Day 2 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am Dance Club Gr. 1-3 12noon Painting Club Gr. 2-3 12noon 	Day 3 26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bus Ridership Drama Club 3:30-5pm 	Day 4 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Running Club 8:00am Painting Club Gr. 2-3 12noon Gr. 4's Swimming Counts Bus leaves 12noon 	Day 5 28