

Parent/Guardian News – December 2023

Holiday Charity Drive



In the spirit of giving this Holiday season, we encourage our school community to participate in our upcoming Holiday Charity Drive. This year's food drive is a competition between levels. Students are asked to donate food and gain points for their level. Non-perishable food items should be brought to their POP/ERC classes. *This year's collection will be under time constraints with the recent announcement of the 5 strike days, so we ask that families please help us, help the less fortunate families in the short time frame we have and bring food item in.*

Bring your donations to your ERC / POP classes. The level that donates the greatest number of items will be rewarded with a non-uniform day on December 22nd. **PLOT TWIST**, starting on Friday December 15th, students may reduce another grade's donations totals by dropping change into their level's jar in the plaza every morning, 1 dollar will reduce a grade's total by 1 food / hygiene item.

Thank you all in helping our less fortunate this Holiday Season.



1. December 1: Pedagogical Day!

No classes for students.

2. December 7: Holiday Lunch

With the Holidays around the corner, all students are invited to our Holiday Lunch being offered to them for FREE. The traditional meal includes turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, and peas/carrots. The meal is served with a desert and a choice of juice or water. The 300 meals will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

3. December 8-14: Strike Days Announced.

School will be closed. If anything changes, we will communicate with you.

4. December 15: Winter Wonderland Snow-Ball

With the recent announcements of additional strike days, the dance will be postponed until after the holidays to January 19, 2024.

5. December 18- Governing Board

Our monthly Governing Board meeting will take place at school at 6:45 p.m.

6. December 18-December 22: Holiday Activities

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Tis the season to be jolly has finally arrived, and we can now share in the holiday spirit in the air by participating in Student Council's activities!!!

- Monday the 18th We will be providing holiday crafts for students to decorate and bring home for the holidays!!
- Tuesday the 19th We will be providing holiday crafts for students to decorate and bring home for the holidays!!
- Wednesday the 20th We will be hosting day 1 of cookie decorating, bring them home or enjoy them on the spot!
- Thursday the 21st We will be hosting day 2 of cookie decorating, bring them home or enjoy them on the spot!
- Friday the 22nd We will be handing out free hot chocolate and candy canes to everyone at lunch.

HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK:

Twas the week before Christmas and all through the school, LBP students will be invited to dress for holiday spirit!

- Monday December 18th all students in attendance are invited to wear the ugliest holiday sweaters. Send a selfie to us on FB or Instagram in your ugly Christmas sweater on Monday to be entered into a draw for a prize.
- Tuesday December 19th holiday socks, ties and accessories.
- Wednesday December 20th your wackiest holiday hats, elf ears and antlers!
- Thursday December 21st Dress up as your favorite Christmas movie character.
- Friday December 22nd – Non-uniform day for the winner of our Spirit of Giving Competition.

7. December 19-20-21: Breakfast of Excellence

Our students on the Honor Roll for term 1 as well as our students who received Diligence recognition will be invited to the Breakfast of Excellence! Invitations will follow.

8. December 22: Last day before the Holiday break.

We want to take this opportunity to wish all our students and their families a Happy Holiday Season. All the best in the New Year! Take time together as a family and make the most of this time away from school. Be safe everyone!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reporting Absences and Early Dismissals

A friendly reminder to all parents and guardians that absences and early dismissals must be called in before recess. As you can imagine, things get very hectic for our level secretaries as the day progresses, and we'd like to be able to process the absences and early dismissals in a timely fashion. ***Please remind your child to come get their slips for their early dismissals at the office at recess, as they will need the slips to leave class.***

Also, please note that students have a 50-minute lunch period, and excused lates by parents following lunch will not be accepted. Students need to be in class on time following their lunch period.

Outstanding School Fees:

A reminder to parents and guardians who have not yet paid school fees, please do so asap. You should have access to your Mozaik statements online for outstanding fees.

Secondary 5 Save the Dates:

Graduation Pictures: February 2024 (more details to follow)

Graduation Ceremony: June 25, 2024.

Prom: June 27, 2024.

Supplemental Exam Week (For select groups ONLY)

Supplemental Exam Week: January 10th - January 17th, 2024.

This exam week includes 3 specific courses ONLY - History Sec. 4 (sec. 5 students who failed), Science Sec. 4 (sec. 5 students who failed), Math SN4 (select student only).

These are the MEQ government governed exams; therefore, no changes have been announced at this time, therefore supplemental exams are on, as scheduled.

The EMSB mid-year exams have been cancelled, as per the communication sent by the EMSB.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Mr. Vitantonio
Principal

Ms. Caruso
Vice Principal (L1/2)

Ms. Di Sorbo
Vice Principal (L3/4)

Ms. Fanelli
Vice Principal (L5)