

Parent/Guardian News – October 2023



Join us to build a respectful community with a shared language, where we model and treat each other with respect, kindness, and empathy.

1. October 2- School Picture Retakes

Any student wishes to have their pictures retaken; the photographer will be at our school. Students who never had their pictures taken on the first day are also invited to take their picture today!

2. October 2- Governing Board

Our monthly Governing Board meeting is taking place at 6:45 p.m. at school in the library.

3. October 5- We Scare Hunger Walk

We are excited to announce our third annual walkathon to end hunger in our community. Walkers will solicit pledges ahead of the event and food items will be collected in advance by students in our plaza as well as at the start and finish of the event. The walkathon will begin in the track at LBPHS and end at its starting point. The event will be held between 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

4. October 6– Traditional Non-Uniform Day

Students are encouraged to dress- down with a contribution of \$2. All proceeds will go to our Social Justice Campaign.

5. October 10 & 11: Secondary 3 Vaccinations

Students in secondary 3 will be vaccinated today. Information will be sent home to parents and guardians following the school nurse visits to the classes. Students are encouraged to wear short sleeves on these days and have breakfast the morning of the scheduled vaccinations.

6. October 11: LBP Alumni First Responders Presentation

Former LBPHS students who are now first responders will be talking about their career field in an optional assembly. They will also answer any questions students have about being a first responder and what the job entails.

7. October 12- Spirit Wear Day

Students are encouraged to wear the LBP spirit wear today. These include their school hoodies, t-shirts, club t-shirts and hoodies. **Phys. Ed uniforms are not considered spirit wear.** Uniform pants must be worn.

8. October 12- Open House

Our annual Open House takes place on October 12th from 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. This is our time to showcase the great initiatives and programs we offer at LBP. We invite you all to spread the word to friends and family and encourage them to come visit us with their children. We have visited 15 elementary schools to speak about our school and our Sports-études program, leaving the students with an invitation to our Open House event. Thank you for helping us make this in-person event a successful one!

9. October 13- Ped Day

No classes for students.

10. October 13- Progress Report Cards

All progress report cards will be made available to parents today. The progress reports will be posted on Mozaik for your reference.

11. October 21- Placement Exams

We will be holding our placement exams today for the elementary students interested in attending our school for Honours Math, Sport-études or Français programme enrichi. We wish them luck on this exam day and thank you to our student volunteers who will be in on a Saturday to help us run the day!

12. October 26- EMSB Educational & Career Fair (Secondary 5)

Our secondary 5 students will be visiting Pius X for the annual Educational & Career Fair. This is an opportunity to allow our students to meet and speak to representatives from different CEGEPs, Universities, Trade Schools, and Adult Education Centers. As such, this is a mandatory visit for all students in secondary 5. Students will be bussed to and from Pius located at 9955 Papineau for our scheduled visit at 9:30 a.m.

13. October 27- Spirit Wear Day

Students are encouraged to wear the LBP spirit wear today. These include their school hoodies, t-shirts, club t-shirts and hoodies. **Phys. Ed uniforms are not considered spirit wear.** Uniform pants must be worn.

14. October 28- La Ronde Fright Fest Outing (Secondary 5)

To continue with the positive momentum following our successful Senior Sunset a couple of weeks ago, we will be organizing an Fright Fest evening at La Ronde for the future graduating class. As we've shared with the secondary 5 students through their student council co-presidents, we will offer the students and activities they ask for every few months to help make their last year in high school a positive one for them. In exchange, we are asking that they help us have a positive end of the school year, without interruption and dangerous senior prank plans. Students will be asked to leave a refundable deposit of 20\$ to reserve their seat, that will be refunded upon their participation.

15. October 25- 31- Halloween Activities

Student Council will be organizing lunch activities in order to celebrate Halloween. Students are encouraged to participate in the festivities and come in dressed up in their favorite Halloween costume. There is no cost for the non-uniform day today. Please remember no weapons will be accepted as part of the costumes, nor will full face masks be accepted for security purposes.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

First Annual LBP Family Fair Thank you!

A huge thank you to those who came to support our First Annual LBP Family Fair on September 28, 2023. We are looking forward to continuing this new tradition with even more families participating next year!

Lockdown Practice

Our lock down practice will take place on November 9 (more information to follow) and the SPVM will be at school to assist us in this important drill.

LBP Breakfast Club

Student council sells breakfast in the plaza every day from 7:35 to 8:10. If you contribute 50 cents you can enjoy a breakfast that includes a Grilled Cheese, waffles, pancakes, a variety of cereal, cold snack, fruit, yogurt, juices or hot Chocolates. Staff can buy coffee or teas for 1\$

Every Wednesday, we make fresh waffles that Students can enjoy for free and freebie Fridays, where students can enjoy our offering for free!

Grad Hoodies/Apparel

We are excited to announce that our Student Council has designed the class of 2024 Grad Hoodies and we will be collecting orders on this October. The black t-shirt and hoodie combo will be sold for \$55 and students will also be able to add on a long-sleeved t-shirt if they would like.

The Grad hoodies are not part of the school uniform, they are being sold as souvenirs and the school will allow students to wear them as long as they do not lead to behavioural problems.

Wear 2024 with pride!

Take Our Kids to Work Day 2023- Mark Your Calendars!

Our Secondary 3 Personal Orientation Project (**POP**) students will be participating in the Canada-wide program: **Take our Kids to Work on November 1!** The TOKW program enables students to experience the world of work firsthand, while also illustrating the importance of education, skill development and training. Students have an opportunity to see what the workplace is like, appreciate the expectations, better understand their parents and understand the importance of planning their career path. Students who are not participating in this opportunity are expected to be in school. Permission forms will be forthcoming closer to the date.

Particular Family Situations

In updating our files, we have noticed that the files are not always up-to date when it comes to sensitive family situations regarding particularities with custody etc. that may impact the school. If your family is in one of these particular situations, please call the level secretary to ensure that our files have the latest information and supporting documentation. If you prefer speaking to the level VP with the sensitivity of the discussions, please feel free to reach out to them.

Community Relationships

We are asking for your cooperation in having a conversation with your child if they leave school grounds at lunch time or hang out at some of the local restaurants after school including McDonald's in RDP. It is important that the school maintains a good relationship with the residents and businesses in the area. To this end, students are required to treat people in the community with respect. We have received some calls from neighbors and business owners regarding some messes being left in the neighboring streets and businesses from our students.

Italian Classes Offered at Casa d'Italia

Casa d'Italia will be offering Italian language classes for youth on Saturday mornings. If you are interested, please see the attached letter for more details.

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)