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October was another busy month in the Grizzlee Den, and we are excited to be beginning our third month of learning! November brings colder weather, so it is very important that students come dressed to be outside. Warm winter coats, ski-pants, boots, toques, mitts, etc. are required to ensure that your child stays warm while playing outside for recess. Students are expected to be outside for recess unless it's -25 or colder! Thank you for your help with this!

Unfortunately, the colder weather often brings lots of illness with it. We ask that you please keep your child at home if they have a fever or are vomiting. Your child is able to return when they are feeling better! If your child is unwell at school, we will call and ask for them to be picked up. Thank you for your cooperation with this so we can ensure that our Grizzlees (big and small) stay healthy! A friendly reminder to enter your child's absence on Edsby or call the office (306)791-8510 if your child will be away!

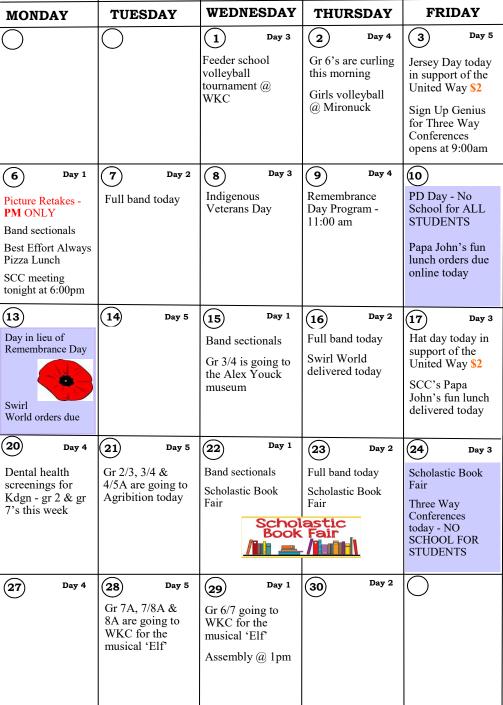
The United Way of Regina is a strong supporter of Regina Public Schools and our literacy initiatives. All Regina Public Schools will be doing a fundraising campaign to support the United Way. We have a few activities planned for our staff, but also want our students to get involved. On Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we ask that students wear a jersey and bring \$2 to support the United Way! On Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, students can bring \$2 and wear a hat! Thank you for supporting the United Way of Regina, who is a huge supporter of Regina Public Schools!

We invite our families to join us for Three-Way Conferences on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>. Teachers may also offer times after school on Thursday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. We will once again be using Sign-Up Genius to book a time for conferences. Your child's teacher will send you the sign-up link, which will go live at 9am on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>! If you have any questions or cannot find a suitable time, please check with your child's teacher. We look forward to meeting with our families and discussing your child's successes, as well as growth areas during this time together.

#### A few other reminders:

- Lunchroom fees are now due and payable through School Cash Online!
- Don't forget to check out our calendar to be in the loop of what's happening in the Grizzlee
- Our next SCC meeting is on Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. All are welcome to attend!
- Are you connected to Edsby? If not, please connect with Mrs. Hamilton in the office!

We are looking forward to another great month of learning! Our focus this month will be on Courage – which is represented by the Bear. Our November assembly is on Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm.





## Non-Student Days

November 10th - PD Day

November 13th - Day in lieu of

Remembrance Day

November 24th - Three Way Conferences NO SCHOOL for ALL students



Dear families.

Mark your calendar for the fun and excitement of the Scholastic Book Fairs!

Our Scholastic Book Fair will run Wednesday, November 22nd and Thursday, November 23rd, during school hours. During those two days, students will have the opportunity to visit the fair at a predetermined time with their class and browse and/or make purchases. Families are welcome to visit the fair on Thursday, November 22nd from 4:00 - 7:00pm and Friday, November 18th from 8:45 - 3:00 pm, during three-way conferences.

Every student who visits the Book Fair can enter to draw to win \$25 worth of free books for themselves and \$25 worth of free books for their class. Watch for the Scholastic Book Fair flyers that will be sent home as the ballots for the draw are on the back of the flyer.

Part of the book fair proceeds go to supporting our school library. Thank you in advance for your support and Happy Reading!

## Hallowe'en Candy At School

We know that our students will want to bring their Hallowe'en treats to school. We are asking that families please only send a 2-3 small treats and please talk to your children about waiting to eat them until after they have eaten their lunches. We are also asking that everyone ensures their treats are NUT FREE. We have taken this step to help ensure that those students and staff we have in the school who are allergic to nuts and nut products are protected.

Unfortunately, many Hallowe'en treats contain nuts or nut by-products and even the tiniest amounts of these can be life-threatening to those with severe allergies to nuts. By being diligent at home and making certain that candies do not find their way to school in pockets and lunch bags, you will be helping us keep our school a safe place for everyone.

Thank you for your assistance with what could be a "life and death" situation!!



## George Lee School Community Council

The next George Lee School Community Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 6th at 6:00 pm. We are always in need of volunteers to help out with the many activities that we hold, so whether you have 'a little' or 'a lot' of time, please come out and join us.

The George Lee SCC is planning on holding our next fun lunch on Friday, November 17th. We will once again be using Healthy Hunger so please be sure to visit www.healthyhunger.ca to place your order. Please know that **all orders are due by Fri, Nov 10th.** If you have any questions regarding fun lunches please email our SCC at georgeleefunlunches@gmail.com.

The SCC now has a donation option on School Cash Online. We understand that many families are also fundraising for many other activities and it does get tiring asking the same family and friends for donations. We also understand that many families would prefer the option of a straight donation. For this reason, we have once again created an option to support our students by participating in a buyout and not feeling any pressure about participating in our various fundraisers.

Having said that, we also understand that some families are unable to provide a lump sum donation and therefore would prefer to participate in fundraisers and/or assist as a volunteer for an SCC event. If you would like to participate in our buyout option please visit https://rbe.schoolcashonline.com and you can pay online.

Don't forget the SCC is also still accepting donations at any Sarcan! If you want to use the Drop & Go it's quick and easy. Use the code **george lee scc** and all of the proceeds will go directly to our SCC.



# Battle of The Books

The grade 5-8 students are very excited to be participating in Battle of the Books again this year. In Battle of the Books, teams of students are given 10 novels that they must read over a given amount of time. Teams compete against each other in

a game show style tournament based on questions from the books they have read. We will get to compete in an in-person tournament against Dr. Hanna, McLurg, Harbour Landing, MacNeill, and Judge Bryant Schools later in year. Our in-school tournaments will be held every other week during lunch hour.



#### **Three Way Conferences**

Our Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Friday, November 24th. In an effort to make this as convenient as we can for you, some of our teachers will also have openings to meet after the school day on November 23rd (3:45 – 6:45pm).



We will be using Sign Up Genius (no account set up necessary) to <u>book</u> our conferences. Teachers will individually send the link for conferences out to their families. Links will go out on Friday, Nov 3rd at 9:00am.

To sign up for a Zoom Conference on Sign Up Genius with your child/children's teacher/s...

- 1. Go to the **Sign Up Genius link** electronically provided by the teacher.
- 2. Once on the teacher's page, click **SIGN UP** and enter your name by the time you would like to conference at.
- 3. <u>If you have more than one child you will have to access each teacher's times individually.</u>

If you sign up for a time and then need it changed, the teacher can change the time for you.

#### Don't forget your water bottle



Just a reminder to our families that our school now has water fill stations instead of our traditional water fountains so your child will need a water bottle at school everyday.

# Did you know gratitude... -Shields you from negativity -Makes you at least 25% happier -Rewires your brain -Eliminates stress -Heals -Improves sleep -Boosts self-esteem and performance -Enhances the law of attraction -Improves relationships

# Did you label <u>ALL</u> of your child's belongings??

We just wanted to take the opportunity to remind all of our families to label <u>ALL</u> of your child's belongings. Everyday we are trying to return forgotten items back to our kids and it would be very much appreciated if you would ensure that your child's name is inside or on all of their belongings. As the weather starts to get colder we have many layers in the lost and found.

Unfortunately our lost and found counts continues to rise everyday!

This item belongs to:

## **George Lee Video Stars**

In the April, George Lee Staff and students had the opportunity to participate in the creation of two promotional videos for the Saskatchewan Young Readers' Choice Awards, The Willow Awards. Anyone who would like to see our wonderful George Lee

stars can view the videos at <a href="https://">https://</a>

<u>willowawards.ca/new-willow-awards-promotional-videos/</u>