



November 2021

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"Preparing Hearts and Minds for the Future"

Principal's Message

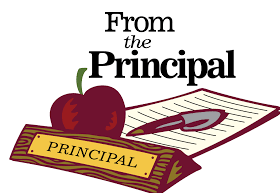
With November now here many wonderful things come to mind. Our students are settled into their classrooms and our teachers are undertaking a variety of assessments in order to gauge and promote student learning. Our children are showing growth in terms of demonstrating Safety, Outstanding Effort, Achievement and Respect and when I visit our classrooms each day, I notice students making strong decisions and demonstrating powerful listening, speaking, reading, writing and numeracy skills. I continue to be impressed with the hard work and dedication both by our staff and our parents that takes place each day in our building. As we have been learning how to cope with Covid-19 I am extremely proud of our school community as they have been diligent in following the Health and Safety protocols to keep everyone safe. You may have seen me outside at the front of the building greeting parents, please do not hesitate to stop, and have a conversation or ask any questions you may be wondering. For this month, our virtue will be 'Respect'. Greendale is truly is a terrific place to learn!

Sincerely,

Noel Sharman

"Intelligence plus character, that is the goal of true education."

- Martin Luther King Jr.



From
the
Principal



Nov 3	Moustache Day
Nov 5	Early Dismissal – 11am
Nov 10	Remembrance Day assembly
Nov 11	Remembrance Day – no school
Nov 12	Pro D day – no school
Nov 18	PAC meeting 7pm
Nov 19	Western Day
Nov 19	Hot Lunch
Nov 26	Pro D Day – no school
Nov 30	PJ Day
Dec 18-Jan 4	Christmas Holidays

Daily Health Check

Please consult the [Daily Health Check](#) before sending your child(ren) to school.

Follow this link for Covid-19 Safe Schools information:

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/education-training/k-12/covid-19-safe-schools#daily-health-checks>

Student Absences

If your child is ill or planning to be absent, please give the school a call in the morning at 604-823-6738 or you may email Mrs. Holmes at

cassandra_holmes@sd33.bc.ca

;otherwise, our office will phone home to ensure your child is safe in the event of absence. Thank you for your support!



Early Dismissal



We have an early dismissal on Friday, November 5th. Students will be dismissed at 11:00am. Buses will be running that day for all bus students.

before that time. Again, we will be suggesting a "Drop Off and Go" at the beginning of the day as well as a "Pick Up and Go" at the end of the day. This being suggested, students will be able to access the playground before and after school!

Thank you for your help providing a safe environment!

Soccer Team

Congratulations to all our amazing soccer team

members! Job well done! And big thank you to Mrs. Ferguson and Ms. Deagle for coaching the soccer team this year!

Go Eagles!



Parent Volunteers and Visitor Information

We kindly ask that all parents and visitors enter through the main front doors when coming to the school. Please do not enter through any side doors or classroom doors.

All visitors MUST be wearing a mask before entering the school, sign-in at the office, and sanitize hands. All volunteers will be required to follow the [Health and Safety Protocols](#) set out by the Ministry of Education.

Remembrance Day



Remembrance Day will be looking again a little different this year. We will be having a virtual school assembly on Wednesday, November 10th.

We have decided to display a small picture wall in the school of any family members that have served our country. If you have any copies, please feel free

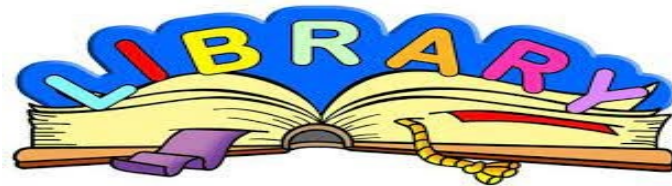
to send them to Mrs. Holmes. NO ORIGINAL PHOTOS please!

Please consider donating to the Poppy Fund. For more information, please visit

<https://www.legion.ca/remembrance/the-poppy>

Drop off and Dismissal Procedures

Parent parking is available school parking lot (do not park in the Staff Stalls), along the road heading south on South Sumas and the church parking lot as well. Please be aware that as a bussing school, busses need to be able to access the front pull-in lane to safely drop our students off. Cones will be placed on either side of this area to help with this. Thank you in advance for your patience regarding our parking areas. Please enter and exit the drop off zone appropriately. Please have your children arrive at school no earlier than 7:44, as we are unable to provide adequate supervision



If you haven't done it yet, check out our library website. It can be found on the main Greendale page under "Parent Information." I have links to several virtual reading websites, and I update the page regularly. You will also find a link to access our library catalogue. If you ever need to reprint a Bingo sheet, I have put PDFs at the very bottom so you can always print out an extra.

I have been in touch with the public library, and they plan to run the Reading Link Challenge again this year. This is a voluntary "book club" for students in grades 4 and 5. Most of the elementary schools in Chilliwack, and even B.C., participate in the program. I will let you know more as I find out more, but I would expect books to be announced some time in the next month. Hopefully our competition in April can be "in person", but we will wait to find out.

Put Dec. 9 and 10 on your calendars as we plan to have the Scholastic Book Fair back at our school this year. More details will follow regarding how it will look, but keep in mind that this would be a great place to pick up some Christmas gifts and support our school library at the same time!

Greendale PAC

First off, thank you to each of you who took the time to share your voice in our recent poll. While the majority of schools voted differently at the district PAC meeting, it was important that we also be heard, and we will continue to work represent you.

Our next PAC meeting is November 18th at 7pm at the school library. A link and agenda will be emailed out prior to the meeting. Join us to hear what's happening at the school, and to continue to have a voice in our community.

This month many of us start preparing for Christmas, so we have a few fundraisers that can help! If you're planning to host any get togethers, you may appreciate a pre-stocked freezer full of food. We are currently running a Neufeld Farms fundraiser – the order deadline is November 9th, with delivery on November 18th. Pick-up will be a drive-through at the Greendale MB parking lot.

We will also run a Purdy's Chocolates fundraiser in late November – the order deadline is November 23rd with pick-up on December 8th at the library backdoor. We will provide additional information and brochures mid-month.

Dressing for the Weather



We are in rainy West Coast season and we play outside in the rain or shine! Please make sure your child comes to school dressed appropriately for **ALL** types of weather: Boots, gloves,

har, rain jacket, winter coat.

Unless it is extreme wind, rain or cold, students will be playing outside during recess and lunch.



2022-2023

If you have a child or know of someone who will be 5 years of age before December 31, 2022, you can register now! You will need the following to complete the registration:

- Birth Certificate
- Proof of Residence
- Valid email address

Please visit <https://sd33.bc.ca/registration> to register and FAQs. If you require assistance, please email ereg@sd33.bc.ca

GECCS November News

2021

Greendale Elementary Community School Society

coordinator@gecss.com

604-823-0147

Facebook: **GECCS Coordinator**

Macrame by Debbie

Join us for a fun evening of knot-tying to create your very own wall hanging! During this workshop you will learn the basic macrame knots which will equip you to make the designed wall hanging or one of your own creations. All materials will be provided.

Date: Nov 25th

Time: 7-8:30

Venue: In the library

Price: \$35

Instagram:

macramebydebbie

Foundational Skills Gymnastics is coming to GECSS!

ASSAI (After School Sports and Art Initiative) allows GECSS offer a certain amount of after school programs for FREE.

Registration is first come basis.

Spots are limited to 10 children per class.

There is a healthy snack provided before the program.

<Primary class FULL>

Nov 17 & 20- Grades 3- 5

1:50-3:15pm

These few weeks are just a start up to source interest in a longer & more skilled program that can be offered in the new year! 😊

Please follow us on Facebook for daily updates, photos & more!

GECCS Coordinator

Basketball!

Chilliwack Basketball Club Greendale Elementary Active Skills & Games program is designed to focus on having fun, being active, growing the love and passion of basketball and learning the basic fundamental skills and concepts of basketball.



Mondays afterschool!
Nov 8-29th
\$50

2:15-3:15pm Grades 1-3
3:15-4:30pm Grades 4-5

Each week we will focus on improving the skills, knowledge, love of the game and physical movement skills of each player. Each session will follow the practice guidelines of the JR NBA!

• **CULTIVATING VALUES & DEVELOPING WELLNESS!** • **KNOW YOUR TEAM GAME!** • **BUILDING SKILLS!** • **BALL HANDLING!** • **PASSING!** • **SHOOTING!** • **FOOTWORK AND CONDITIONING!** • **COMPETING IN 1 ON 1, 2 ON 2, 3 ON 3 AND 4 ON 4 GAMES.**

MULTIMEDIA ART CLASSES

WITH JOHN LEFLOCK

Thursdays 4:00-5:30pm
Nov 18th - Dec 9th
\$60

Grades 4-9
All art supplies included