

November 9, 2020



Dear Parents,

I hope you had a chance to get out and enjoy the beautiful weather that we had on the weekend. It certainly was welcome after the snow last week!! Please take note of the following:

**Parent-teacher Interviews:** As you are aware, the government decided that we will only be having two terms this year instead of three. This means that each term will count for 50% of your child's final mark for the year. The end of the first term is on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. We realize that it is important for you to have **feedback regarding your child's progress before then so we are organizing** Parent teacher Interview sessions that will take place during the week of November 16<sup>th</sup> to November 20<sup>th</sup>. Your child's teacher will be sending home information regarding this very soon. Some teachers will be meeting parents in person and some will be doing online or telephone interviews. If your child's teacher does not request an interview with you but you would like to speak with them, please let them know.

**Remembrance Day:** We will be holding our annual Remembrance Assembly virtually this year on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions, we cannot gather in the gym, but we still felt that it is important to remind our students of the meaning of this important day.

**Pizza Day:** Last year prior to the shut-down period in March, we had organized a pizza day and it had to be cancelled. We reimbursed the grade 6 students who are no longer at LES and we are still planning to hold a pizza day for those who did not get reimbursed. We will notify you once we have chosen a date. Thank you for your patience!

**School Fees:** Just a reminder that you can access your child's school fees on the parent portal. Please be sure to pay them asap, as they are currently overdue.

**Appropriate Winter Dress:** Winter is here and the weather can be very unpredictable. We have many children coming to school unprepared and we need your help. Please make sure that your children arrive with the necessary clothing to enjoy themselves outdoors at recess and lunch. Approximately 45 minutes are spent outside at lunch and 20 minutes during recess. Now that we have an afternoon recess, it would be advisable to send an extra pair of socks and mittens in case these items get wet during lunch hour and don't have time to dry.

**L.E.S. Book Fair:** Our PPO will be holding an "online" Book Fair in the near future. We will notify you as soon as we have nailed down some dates for this. Information will also be posted on the PPO Facebook page. All proceeds from this event will go towards purchasing books for our classrooms and library.

**Special Reminders:** Please note that November 20<sup>th</sup> is a planning day for all students and there are no classes for students on this day.

**Governing Board Meeting:** Our next Governing Board meeting will be held tomorrow night, **November 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.** The meeting is a virtual one, using the Zoom platform. Because these meetings are considered public meetings, anyone can attend. There is a visitor's question period at the beginning and end of the meeting. If you would like to attend, please notify me and I can send you the Zoom link.

Please don't hesitate to contact the school should you have comments or questions.

Sincerely,

Dawn Irving

Principal

