

Week of November 16-November 20, 2015


The Character Education focus for November is Empathy

This Week at Garden...

Monday, November 16, 2015, Day 3

- Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week
- Solar Panels project begins – please speak to students re: staying away from the boxed in area on the North/East wall


Tuesday, November 17, 2015, Day 4

- Gr 5/6 Girls Basketball Practice - 8:15 AM
- Room 204/207 – To Regent Park Film Festival
- Choir grades 1-3 - lunch
-  Recycling Day

Wednesday, November 18, 2015 DAY 5

- Gr 5/6 Girls Basketball Practice - 8:15 AM
- **New Entry Procedure** – teacher practices with their class

Thursday, November 19, 2015 DAY 1

- Gr 5/6 Girls Basketball Practice - 8:15 AM
-  Mailbag Day
- **New Entry Procedure** - Whole school practice at 1:25 PM
- School Council Meeting
- First Aid Training Gym – 6:00-10:00 PM - Daycare

Friday, November 20, 2015 DAY 2

- **New Entry Procedure** – 2 line recess entry in effect

Up Coming Events

November 19 and 23 – Daycare First Aid Training Gym 6:00-10:00

December 4 – Progress Reports Due to the Office

December 10 – Progress Reports to be sent home

Garden Staff News

Thank you so much to Ms Lawson for her leadership in heading up our moving Remembrance Day Assembly. Thank you to Ms. Zampiero for the primary choirs spectacular singing of "Home" and for Ms Chawla's poignant grade 5/6 letters written in thanks to our Canadian soldiers.

Concerns have been raised around safety during student entry in the morning/recess and at lunch. As a team we have designed a new Entry Procedure which will begin this week. Thank you to our Character Education/entry team for your leadership. Please see as follows:

Recess Line-Ups and Transitions

- all classes are accompanied to the recess exit by their teacher
- students are dismissed outdoors only after a staff member on duty has arrived outdoors

Entry Line-Ups

- students going to the second floor will make one line following along the bricks
- students going to the main floor will make one line following along the fence
- students will enter the school once their line is in single file and calm
- only the teachers on duty may decide when the doors open to allow students to re-enter
- students must walk upon entering the school
- students going to the second floor will hold the handrails, using both sides of the staircase
- students will be admitted to their classrooms once they have formed a quiet, single file line outside of the classroom

Ms. Hardy

When you show deep empathy towards others, their defensive energy goes down, and positive energy replaces it. That's when you can get more creative in solving problems Stephen Convey