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Message from the Principal

Please be aware of the changing temperatures in the month of December. We do expect colder weather conditions and plenty of snow in this month. In preparing for this weather it is recommended for students to arrive with clothing that will allow student to be able to play outside during nutrition breaks. Colder winter days that see the temperatures dip below -18 to -20 student will be kept in the building during the nutrition breaks.

We look forward to see you at our annual Holiday Concert to be held on December 14th and 15th. There will be two shows, a 2:00pm matinee and an evening performance at 6:30pm. School council has, once again, organized a raffle table with many great gifts to be won, along with the 50/50 draw. See you there!

Remember that the month of December our school character attribute is COMPASSION. We are accepting canned food donations for "Fill a Bus" to be dropped off during the holiday concert, and our grade 7/8 students will be led by Ms. Goldspink to take these food items to the food bank for families to have access during the holiday season.

From all of the staff at KGS we would like to wish you and your family a safe and happy holiday season! See you in the New Year.

Happy Holidays!

Mr. G. Rowe

Growing Excellence... Inspiring Success



Math Moments

How and Why it's Different

If you peeked inside your child's math class, here are some things you would notice.

- students working on their own, in pairs, in small groups, independently and with teacher direction
- students engaged in a wide variety of tasks — practising skills, solving problems about real-life situations, playing games, and applying math concepts to design challenges
- students using a variety of physical and digital learning tools as they explore math ideas and solve problems
- students using a variety of tools, including paper and pencil, chart paper and markers, and digital devices, to write and record their math thinking
- students talking about connections they have made personally or exploring new math concepts and skills
- students sharing their strategies for solving a problem

Learning math involves understanding concepts and procedures, acquiring skills, and applying math processes. Each of these aspects of learning requires different learning and teaching strategies. As well, individual students learn differently. It's important for students to have opportunities to learn in a variety of ways.



Come join us at the Early Learning and Parenting Center

At **King George School**

This is a free drop-in for parents and caregivers with children 0-6 years of age. Ring buzzer at the back of the school. If you have questions about development or health we can find the right resources for you ☺

Hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs 9:00-11:30

Setting a New Direction in Grand Erie

Grand Erie trustees approved a new strategic direction to guide the work we are doing.

In the centre of this 2016-2020 Multi-Year Plan is **SUCCESS** for Every Student.

We will achieve this through a focus on students and staff in a culture of high expectations.

The indicators that will support our goal include Achievement, Well-Being, Equity, Environment, Technology and Community.

For more information, visit www.granderie.ca/board/multi-year-plan

PARENT REMINDER

- ✓ **Parent Council – Dec. 13th**
- ✓ **Christmas Concert Dec. 15th**

Extra- Curricular



Good Luck to Mrs. Pitts, Ms. Goldspink and the girls intermediate volleyball team who will be competing in the Brant County Volleyball tournament on Wednesday, December 7th . Go Cobras!



A big thank you to Ms. Terdik for running our dance club every Tuesday and Thursday !



Chess club is up and running at KGS every Tuesday and Thursday thanks to Mr. Watts.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Next school council meeting is on Tuesday, Dec 13th, 2016 at 5:30. We look forward to your attendance. Babysitting is available.

Public Health Nurse Message

**STOP Germs in Their Tracks – Wash
your Hands!**

If you have ever been sick with the cold or flu, blame a Germ! You cannot see germs but they can make you sick!

The single most important thing you can do to keep from getting sick and spreading germs to others is to wash your hands. Germs can live on surfaces like desks and keyboards for up to several days. By washing your hands properly, you are reducing the spread of germs as well as being a positive role model for your children.

Stop germs in their tracks by following some of these tips:

- Wash your hands with soap and warm water for at least 15 seconds (about the length of time it takes you to sing the "Happy Birthday" song).
- Wash your hands before and after you eat, when you use the bathroom and after blowing your nose/using a tissue.
- Keep your hands away from your nose, eyes and mouth.
- Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or sneeze into your elbow
- Stay at home if you are sick
- Get your flu shot – Book appointments with your doctor, or contact the Brant County Health Unit by visiting www.bchu.org or calling 519-753-4937 ext. 446. Anyone five years and older can also get their flu shot at a participating pharmacy.

Brantford Public Library News

Homework Help Centre (Program runs fall/winter only)

Would your child benefit from some extra homework support outside of school hours? If so, Homework Help is the perfect solution! Homework Help is a drop-in program run by the **Laurier Students for Literacy (LSFL)**. Homework support is available for students in grades 3 to 8. Please note that a parent/guardian must remain in the library while their child is in the Homework Help Centre. For more information, call the Library at 519-756-2220.

The Homework Help Centre hours of operation are:

Monday - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Thursday from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Through the fall/winter only

Book Buddies (Program runs fall/winter only & registration is required)

We can help children who are having trouble with their reading. The Book Buddies program provides one-on-one tutoring for struggling readers in grades 2 to 6. A Laurier Students for Literacy volunteer will be paired with your child to provide weekly reading support. Parent/guardian must remain in the Library while the child is with their buddy.

Registration information for the fall and winter sessions of Book Buddies will be announced closer to the dates each session runs.

Spectacular Specials

Snowflake Station

Tuesday, January 3rd

9:00am - 8:00pm

Main and St. Paul Branches

Make neat paper snowflakes at our snowflake station!

Scavenger Hunt

Wednesday, January 4th

9:00am - 8:00pm

Main and St. Paul Branches

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