

October 2017 Newsletter



Dear Families,

Setting a New Direction in Grand Erie We are in our second year of the 2016-2020 Multi-Year Plan is SUCCESS for Every

SUCCESS for Every Student 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-



Fairview Avenue Public School will be participating in Operation Christmas Child for the sixth year in a row. Last year, we collected, packed and shipped almost 90 boxes. **This year, our goal is 100 boxes!** This is a unique oppor-

tunity for the children in our school to share, through their generosity, gifts that meet the needs of children throughout the world. Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, is a simple, tangible way for Canadians to bless children living in the developing world, by packing shoe boxes with a variety of gifts. Children whoreceive a gift-filled shoe box are often living in situations affected by war, poverty, and natural disaster. Gift-filled shoe boxes from Operation Christmas Child transcend all barriers- language, cultural, geographical and political- to give hurting children hope and joy during the holiday season.

Families may choose to fill their own shoe boxes at home, or you may send in items to the school for us to pack for a girl or boy in need.

Additional information will be sent home very soon.

Garbage Bag Fundraiser

Need recycle clear bags or black garbage bags? Intermediate students are raising money for their Quebec trip in June. Contact us if you would like to purchase either recycle or black garbage bags. As always, fundraising participation is optional. Thank you.

New School Build Contract

On September 25, 2017, the GEDSB Trustees approved the award to JR Certus Construction Co. Ltd for the new school build. They are aiming for us to be in the new school by September 2017.

The fence started to go up on September 29, 2017. This will impact parking for staff and visitors. Staff will be parking on Fairview, limiting parking for families. Please use the loop carefully, and do not park in the 'go lane'. This lane is the closest to the yellow poles. Thank you for your patience and careful driving near our precious students.

Please see note on calendar about the change to nutrition breaks.

School Council

Dear Parents,

We are excited that the construction for the new build is beginning. It will be fascinating for the students to watch. Please join us on Wednesday, October 18th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 2 to discuss the happenings at Fairview Ave. All are welcome. We are excited to have staff and students joining us as well during these meetings.

Thank you.

Danielle Lipson, Chair.

Happy Hallowe'en

On Monday, October 31st, tradition carries on here at Fairview. We will have a parade of all the students at 11:30 a.m. Please remember, for school costumes, the following things are not permitted: weapons, masks and make up at school. Thank you for complying with these guidelines. We are looking forward to having a fun day! After the parade, there will be a school dance for a few songs, then Kindergarten to Grade 4 students will return to class for their parties and the older students will remain in the gym for the Hallowe'en Dance.

EQAO Results

<u>Overview</u>: Teachers administered the EQAO assessment to grade three and grade six students in May and June of 2016. The assessment consisted of three booklets (one for mathematics and two for language). The reading tasks involved fiction and non-fiction passages, followed by open-response and multiple-choice items. For writing, there were short and long writing tasks and multiple-choice items to complete. The mathematics booklet consisted of open-response and multiple-choice items. The student booklets were returned to EQAO to be scored by trained educators during the summer. Individual student results will be forwarded to the parent(s)/guardian(s) of the students who participated in the assessments.

Primary Reading: Levels 3 & 4 as a percent

Fairview Ave: 55% Grand Erie Board: 62%

Ontario: 72%

Primary Writing: Levels 3 & 4 as a percent

Fairview Ave: 68% Grand Erie Board: 60% Provincial: 73%

Primary Mathematics: Levels 3 & 4 as a percent

Fairview Ave: 35%

Junior Reading: Levels 3 & 4 as a percent

Fairview Ave: 66% Grand Erie Board: 72%

Ontario: 81%

Junior Writing: Levels 3 & 4 as a percent

Fairview Ave: 52% Grand Erie Board: 67% Provincial: 79%

Junior Mathematics: Levels 3 & 4 as a percent

Fairview Ave: 31%

