



February 2018

The 'DRAGON'

GEDSB

St. George-German School

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Message From The Principal

We have quite a few activities continuing this month at SGG including a great program involving parent seminars with children 0-12 years, the Legion Speaking Contest, Family Coding Night for parents and children from kindergarten to grade 5, Family Day Holiday and report cards being sent home on February 15th.

Students are also currently playing chess and practicing for upcoming tournament play. If you are an interested or serious chess player please see Mr. Jorgensen to get involved. Thanks everyone and have a great month!

Important Dates to Remember

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| Feb 7 | - | 3P Parenting Program 6:30 pm |
| Feb 13 | - | School Council Meets 6:30 pm |
| Feb 15 | - | Report Cards sent home, Family Code Night |
| Feb 19 | - | Family Day Holiday |
| Feb 21 | - | SK and Grade 8 photos |
| Feb 22 | - | Legion Speaking Contest |
| Feb 27 | - | Lions' JK eye screening |

Learning Commons Library Updates

We are hosting our 2nd Book Fair this month. We are very thankful to a wonderful group of intermediate students who are offering to help set up our fair. Our students can purchase from our Book Fair during the following days during the recess breaks; Wednesday, February 21st, Thursday, February 22nd and Friday, February 23rd (am only)

We would also like to extend an invitation to parents to view our Book Fair on Wednesday, February 22nd @ 2:30-4:00. Please know that all profits from this Book Fair will go to support purchasing additional technology for our Library Learning Commons. Thank you for your continued support for the love of reading!

Our Student Ed Tech Crew has been invited to another day of learning & exploring with robotics and coding! Students who are apart of this club will be able to spend another whole day at the Joseph Brant Learning Center on Wednesday, February 28th from 9:00-3:00. Permission slips will be coming out shortly. Stay tuned to our school twitter page for updates from this amazing experience!

The grade 8 students are still selling kettlecorn every Friday during the first nutrition break. Please help to support our grade 8 graduation! We are selling this nutritious snack for just \$2.00 per bag!

School Council Newsletter for February 2018!

Things to look forward to coming up this year!

We are looking into the idea of a **Zumba A thon** so keep an eye out for this to come up in the next month or two.

Date to be determined at our next council meeting.

Also coming up on **May 10, 2018** is our **Annual Fun Fair!!**

We will be starting up a committee to help organize this event in the coming month. If you are interested in helping out please contact us at sggscouncil@hotmail.com. There are lots of things to do before hand and during this event, so we need as much help as possible to make it a success!!!

Thank you for making our first Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day of the school year a success! We were able to raise just over \$300 at this event! We look forward to holding another one in future.

Thank you for all your continued support in our fundraising efforts!

Our next School Council meeting will be **Tuesday February 13th at 6:30pm**, in the school staff room. We are looking for parents to **come out** and **get involved**. It is great to **have a voice** and participate in fundraising events that **benefit all of our children** at school. Please come and join us and see how you can fit in with this great group of parents! All are welcome!!! We will be further discussing plans for the primary area project and **always welcome** new ideas and thoughts.

News from the Student Leadership Team

Madame Chaplin, Mrs. Healey, Ms. Wood and Mrs. Flanagan would all like to thank our SLT for their dedication and tremendous amount of hard work over the past month. This group of students did an absolutely amazing job leading 6 different workshops for the whole school on our first colour house day in January. They also have been busying themselves by organizing a dance, overseeing the weekly pizza delivery, and completing many other routine responsibilities. Most of them remind us of what needs to be done -- and it is a pleasure to work with this group!

The SLT is selling "Valentinograms" (little notes that come with a chocolate) in the library **February 5-9th for grade 4-8** students. They cost 25 cents each and they can be "mailed" to anyone in the school. Information and instructions came home last week, so be sure to send money with your child if he or she is interested in purchasing Valentinograms. Parents/guardians of primary students should have received a "pre-order" form (to avoid long line ups) and are reminded that the **pre-order deadline is Wednesday, February 7th**. Thanks for supporting your SLT in our endeavor to show kindness and friendship -- but also to raise a little money for the school.

Our next **Colour House Activity Day is February 28th** -- which happens to also be Pink Shirt day. Students are encouraged to wear pink shirts regardless of their colour house in an effort to show our unity against bullying. We will start our spirit assembly with a short video on the history of the pink shirt and teachers will be having discussions in their classes on this topic. We look forward to working together on our colour house cooperative games to strengthen our sense of community within the school!

Stay tuned for more information on the "Write to Give" project that many classrooms are currently working on. We hope to have 2 books published and for sale by springtime to help fund the building of schools in Kenya.