

Gibson Elementary

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NEWSLETTER

November, 2019

Principal's Message



Happy November, Gibson families! Did you know, that Gibson is a part of a Professional Literacy Community? Did you also know, that improving reading levels and increasing the joy of reading are our school goals?

On Halloween, we kicked off our 2nd annual Literacy Spooktacular event, where the staff recommitted to the students to provide them with rich and engaging reading and writing opportunities every day.

Most of us have heard of the phrase 'it takes a village to raise a child'. But did you know that it also takes a village to raise a reader? What the kids learn at school can be nourished and strengthened at home. So, how can you help us with our goal? How can you bring the joy of reading into your home? Here are some ideas:

- Set aside **TIME** (20 minutes a day)
- Find a **PLACE** without any distractions (TV, Music, Cellphones/Devices)
- Ask your child to **CHOOSE** a book
- Sit close **TOGETHER**
- Encourage your child to **TALK** about the book

What difference could I make as a parent?



The short answer is: a lot! Parents are by far the most important educators in a child's life and it's never too young for a child to start, even if you're only reading with your child for a few minutes a day. Before they are born, babies learn to recognize their parents' voices. Reading to your child gives them the comfort of your voice and increases their exposure to language.

Remembrance Day Assembly



On Friday, November 8th at 11:15am, Gibson will be holding a Remembrance Day Assembly in our gym. There will be several classes offering contributions for the assembly, and parents/families are welcome to join us. If you are interested in joining us, please arrive at the gym for 11:00am as we will begin our assembly on time. This is a somber occasion as we remember those who made sacrifices in order for us to enjoy the freedom that we have today. If you plan to attend the assembly, please remember that the students who are singing/speaking are offering a contribution, and that this is not a performance. Please refrain from taking pictures, waving at your children, etc.

IMPORTANT Reminder!



Each day, we are seeing a number of parents coming to school for early pick-up of their children. We understand that parents have busy schedules and sometimes, appointments such as doctors/dentists etc. must be made during school hours. **However, please make sure that your child's teacher is aware of these appointments PRIOR to the day, so that they can ensure your child is ready to meet you at the office at the time of pick up.** Why, you may ask? When parents come without prior arrangements, the office must page into the classroom and interrupt important learning time. This disrupts the flow of lessons, as teachers must then stop their instruction in order to get your child ready. We ask that you are mindful of every child's learning time and to respectfully plan ahead for early pick-ups. Thank you for your attention to this important matter. **Any parent who arrives after 2:30pm, and has not made previous arrangements with their teacher/office will be asked to wait until regular dismissal time at 3pm.**

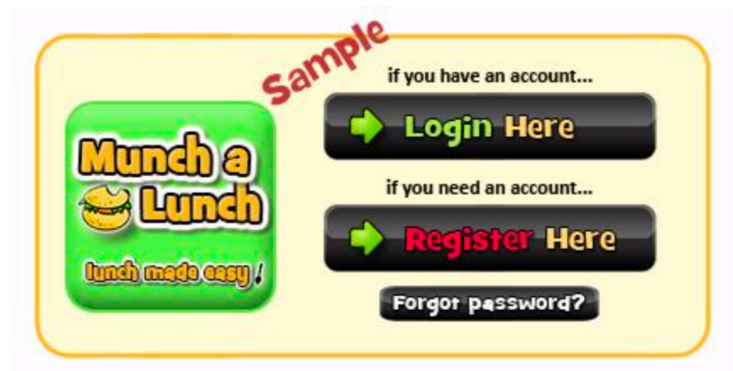
Volleyball Season:

Volleyball season is now fully underway with Gibson being represented by both a grade 6 and a grade 7 team! Our school teams compete and practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays against many of our neighbouring schools. The coaches and helpers are: Ms. Nelson, Ms. Zacharias, Ms. Hallman, Ms. Poirier, Ms. Morley and Mme Alvano. Thank you to these staff members who have volunteered their time to provide our students with this opportunity!



Hello Parents!

Our ordering system is going **GREEN** ! Instead of filling out a paper order form, parents will place their hot lunch orders online using **MunchaLunch.com** ! **You can now pay for your orders online by credit card (Visa/Mastercard)**



HOW TO REGISTER:

- 1) Go to: <https://munchalunch.com/schools/Gibson>
- 2) Click the " **Register Here** " button (as shown below). The system will guide you through
- 3) After adding your children, click the green "Order Lunch!" button to order
- 4) Next time, just click the " **Login Here** " button to access your account.

ORDERING DETAILS:

- Online ordering is OPEN now!
- The 1st session of Hot Lunches is for:
 - Friday, November 15 (Panago Pizza)
 - Friday, November 29 (OPA Greek)
 - Friday, December 14 (Panago Pizza)
- **If you need assistance with ordering, or do not have access to the internet, please contact juliagibsonspac@gmail.com or Facebook PAC for Gibson Elementary**
- **If you must pay via cheque or cash please see teachers/office for order forms**

Please note: if your child is ill, absent or on a lunch date, you are welcome to come and pick up their lunch by 11:45am; otherwise please consider it a donation for a child who does not have a lunch. Consistent with previous years, there are NO REFUNDS as this is a PAC fundraiser. We appreciate your support for our hot lunch program as the funds go towards classroom supplies, special activities and events, performances, and playgrounds and general fundraising within the school.



Please Join Us...

Delta School District
Presents

Community Information Evenings: Vaping, Substance Use, & the Importance of Connection

Parents and Youth, please join us for an informative evening of learning presented by Fraser Health and the Delta Police Department about Vaping, Substance Use, & The Importance of Connection.



North Delta

Seaquam Secondary School -11584 Lyon Rd, Delta
Tuesday, December 3rd, 2019
7:00pm – 8:30pm



These evening presentations are facilitated by Delta School District, in partnership with Fraser Health, and the Delta Police Department.

Door Prizes & Refreshments For Participants



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

November 1	PJ Day
November 5	PAC Meeting 7pm Library
November 8	Remembrance Day Assembly 11am
November 11	Remembrance Day - No School
November 15	PAC Hot Lunch - Panago
November 25	Pro D Day - No School
November 29	PAC Hot Lunch - Opa