



## Ecole Grosvenor-Wentworth Park School

October 2018

### **Student Success Plan:**

On the recent professional development day, staff of EGWPS attended a full day session at the school in support of our student success plan. Staff from the IWK were onsite to share with staff how to use and access Occupational Therapy supports. Cheryl Meredith, Assessment Coordinator from the Halifax Regional Education Center shared a session on establishing learning targets and success criteria as a means to engage and ensure students understand, in student language, the purpose and intention of each particular lesson. Through this process, students become equipped to monitor, gauge, and articulate where they are in relation to the learning target. The fine arts specialists connected to us through the Halifax West Family of Schools, provided a session on how to integrate the arts into daily lessons and how to access this support. The afternoon session was dedicated to a provincially mandated session dealing with the student services side of PowerSchool called Tienet.

### **Dates to Remember**

October 10<sup>th</sup> – Start of Provincial Assessment Week  
October 17<sup>th</sup> – Curriculum Night  
October 18<sup>th</sup> – Professional Development Day (no classes)  
October 25<sup>th</sup> – PTG Halloween Dance  
October 26<sup>th</sup> – Provincial Conference Day (no classes)  
October 30<sup>th</sup> – Picture Retakes  
November 8<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day Ceremony  
November 12<sup>th</sup> – Remembrance Day Observation

### **PTG Halloween “Family Dance”**

Families are invited to attend the October 25th family dance from 6:30-8pm in the GWP School Gym (entrance at the Community Room Doors). Admission is \$2/person or \$10/family of 5 or more. **Please Note: A parents or guardian must attend. Children may not be dropped off and left unsupervised.**

### **Curriculum Night/Ice Cream Social**

Curriculum Night will be held on October 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 PM. We put in a request for a nice evening!

### **Band:**

Grade 6 Band will be starting on Friday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 2:15 pm. Band will also be held each Tuesday at 3:20. Band instructor is Christian Masotti.

### **Mi’kmaq Heritage Month**

October is Mi’kmaq History Month in Nova Scotia. Mi’kmaq History Month was proclaimed in 1993 by then Premier John Savage and Mi’kmaq Grand Chief Ben Sylliboy. Its purpose is to promote public awareness about the Mi’kmaq culture and heritage for all citizens of Nova Scotia. Grosvenor teachers will be recognizing the month through activities within their classrooms. For more information visit the Mi’kmaq History Month website:  
<http://mikmaqhistorymonth.com/SCHOOL>

### **Remembrance Day**

Grosvenor-Wentworth will recognize Remembrance Day on November 8<sup>th</sup> with an assembly and ceremony at 11 am in our gymnasium. Any family member that is or has served, and would like to participate in the service, is asked to email the school. [gwp@hrce.ca](mailto:gwp@hrce.ca)

### **Life Threatening Allergies**

The school asks that all parents continue to respect that we are a Nut Aware School. Please be aware that there are a number of students and staff who have allergies of various types. For this reason, we are asking all visitors, parents/guardians, babysitters, and friends who are visiting the school, to keep in mind that we are a nut and scent aware school. We appreciate your support, as it enables us to provide a safer environment for all.

### **CANCELLATION: SEVERE WEATHER OR EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES**

The Halifax Regional Center for Education takes great care when making the decision to alter the normal operations of schools in the event of severe or inclement weather. Decisions on school closures and/or bus cancellations are posted on the board’s website at [www.hrce.ca](http://www.hrce.ca), on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/HRCE\\_Official](https://twitter.com/HRCE_Official), recorded on the school cancellation line at 464-INFO (4636) and communicated to all local radio stations. Grosvenor-Wentworth is part of the Halifax West Family of Schools. We may be closed “by family” some days so this information is important. **EXCEL** will follow the school closure procedures. If buses are canceled but school is open, EXCEL will be open.

### **Head Lice**

As we know head lice can appear in schools and other public places from time to time. The link below is provided by the Department of Public Health as a resource to support families with head lice. If you suspect that your son/daughter has head lice please contact the school. <https://www.novascotia.ca/dhw/publications/public-health-education/07135-head-lice-pamphlet-en.pdf>. Children may return to school once they have been treated.

### **Safe Arrival:**

Please call 902 457-8427 for safe arrival. Students arriving after the bell must stop in to the office and notify our safe arrival team before joining their class.