# **RIVERVIEW NEWS** Family Edition, Vol. 11 Week of Nov.

Week of Nov. 27th - Dec. 1st, 2023

LOOKING AHEAD:	
Nov. 29th	NURSE VISIT TO GR. 4 at 11:10
Nov. 30th	Annual Walk-a-Thon
Dec. 2nd	BREAKFAST WITH SANTA
Dec. 4-6	Dental Sealants (Gr. 2)
Dec. 5th	PHOTO RETAKES
	PPO MEETING at 6PM
Dec. 9th	Beurling Food Drive
Dec. 12th	Governing Board @ 6PM
Dec. 15th	Gr. 4 Vaccinations
HOLIDAY CARNIVAL WEEK DEC. 18th-DEC. 22nd	
Dec. 18th	EXTENDED RECESS ACTIVITIES
	Crazy hair/Hat day
Dec. 19th	Concert Dress Rehearsals
Dec. 20th	WINTER CONCERTS!
Dec. 21st	MOVIE DAY BY CYCLE
Dec. 22nd	Virtual Bingo fun!

Coming soon: details on our Carnival Week!

## **STUDENT HEALTH:**

As you know, we are proud to work with our community partners at the Heart and Hands Clinic, École de la Vue, McGill University, and the CLSC (among others) to support students' health. Most recently, five McGill student nurses came in to do a workshop on Exercise and Hygiene with 341, 401, and 501. The CLSC Dental Hygienist also came in to screen Grade 2 students' teeth. Those who have been recommended the FREE sealant treatment must return the signed permission this week for the treatment to happen at school on the 4th, 5th, and 6th of December. Tomorrow, permission forms will be sent to K4 and K5 students for the opportunity to have a FREE vision screening done at school in January (if one has not already been done outside of school). Please return the forms by Friday, Dec. 1st. Finally, Annie Bakopoulos will visit **Grade 4** students this week to hand out vaccination forms for the service that will be offered on Dec. 15th. Please note that participation in these programs is optional!

## **DENTAL SERVICES:**

Attached to this evening's email, please note the list of dentists available in the area to help those who need care. You will also find a list of what services are free and which ones are not covered by RAMQ.

# **BUS DRIVERS' STRIKE**

The TRANSCO bus strike continues and all families affected are asked to continue with their alternate arrangements. Only those registered may benefit from the complimentary extended service from 7:00-7:45 and until 3:00 p.m. after school. Please communicate changes in plan by calling the school.



## **ANNUAL WALK-A-THON:**

This Thursday afternoon, weather permitting, we will pause the school day to participate in the annual walk-a-thon **beginning ay 12:20 in the school yard**. At that time, students will line up by class to begin the walk. Two routes are planned (one for K4-2 and another for Grades 3-6). Families are welcome to join us for the walk, if they wish to! Donations will be collected all of this week and, until Dec. 15th, parents and staff can also donate online to the cause by visiting: <u>https://www.canadahelps.org/en/</u>. Then, search for the "Pearson Educational Foundation", click on "Apply your donation to a fund set up by this charity" and scroll down to "Riverview Holiday Baskets" to donate. Thanks to Mr. L for organizing this annual fundraiser, where funds raised go directly to providing holiday baskets to families in our community who need a little boost during these trying times! We appreciate your support!

## PROMOTION OF PEACEFUL LANGUAGE:

In recent weeks, we have noticed an increase in inappropriate, sometimes offensive language that has been upsetting to staff and students alike. I would like to ask that we renew our collective commitment to promoting language that is peaceful, positive, and appropriate for school. Riverview must be a place where all feel **safe**, **valued**, **and respected**. We can ALL reflect and do better to champion for one another in a world that is hurting at the moment... We appreciate you support!

## SEED DAYCARE:

Please note that signing out at the end of the day is no longer required. Parents are encouraged to download and use the free HOP-HOP app to facilitate pick-up. Only the main gym door on Riverview will be used from now on and parents are asked to wait outside the doors for children to exit. Please remind children to bring all of the items they need to the daycare door for the end of the day as returning to lockers is not permitted.

#### **SCHOOL PHOTOS:**

The retake date has now been set for **December 5th**, barring any conflicts. Proofs have all been sent home and orders can be completed online.

## PPO NEWS: THE BOSAPIN FUNDRAISER WRAPS UP SOONI GET YOUR TREE TODAY!

Coming next Saturday, December 2nd! BREAKFAST WITH SANTA returns. Join us for breakfast, music, treats, and a special guest! See the flyer on the website for more information! Also coming up before the break is another pizza lunch on December 15th. Thanks for your support!

## **GRAD COMMITTEE:**

Grad Committee has met and are pleased to announce that over \$700.00 was raised at the recent Haunted House! Next up is a Holiday Basket Raffle that will begin at the Breakfast with Santa next Saturday. Tickets will also be available from Grade 6 students until December 20th. The draw will take place at the holiday concert! More information to come next weekend!

LET'S DO OUR BEST TO BE AT SCHOOL BEFORE 7:55 A.M. EVERY DAY! CHANGES TO DISMISSAL PLANS SHOULD BE MADE BEFORE 11:30 A.M.