



Week #14 Glad Park PS E-Bulletin: November 30 - December 4

DO GOOD KINDNESS CALENDAR - DECEMBER - attached and shared on EDSBY

"2020 has been a difficult year in so many ways. We have suffered with uncertainty, anxiety, isolation and challenges with our financial situation, health or relationships. One thing that can hold us together and help us get through is kindness. Although we can't change our situation, we can choose to respond to others (and ourselves) with kindness. And when we're kind, everything goes better. We help others, we help ourselves and we encourage others to be kinder too."

(<https://www.actionforhappiness.org/calendars>)

Prayer Room - Should your child require Prayer space during the school day please contact your child's teacher. Mme Mahmood is working with a team of students to develop the expectations for this space.

Intramurals - Intramurals will start next week. The Student Athletic Council will run intramurals on Day 1 and 3 at morning recess. Students will be invited by cohort to come into the gym to play a socially distant game of dodgeball. **Students will be required to wear a mask during these times.** Next week we will start with grade 2's and 3's.

Outdoor Equipment - Exciting news... outdoor equipment has been distributed by cohorts for students to play with during recess. We have ensured there are safety procedures regarding the use of the equipment by having the students sanitize their hands prior to using the equipment and then following the use of the equipment, the teacher will sanitize.

Inclement Weather days - This week families received an email communication from YRDSB about inclement weather days. To help reduce the spread of COVID -19 and support the health and safety of our students, staff members and families many things are being done differently. This year, however, given the importance of adhering to our [health and safety guidelines](#), we have made the decision to close schools to students when an inclement weather day is declared and school transportation is cancelled. **Please do not send your child to school when an inclement weather day is declared.** Please take the time to make plans in the event of an inclement weather day school closure. Please note that before and after care programs will not be operating on inclement weather days. We recognize that this may be an inconvenience for some families.

Communication to families

Decisions about school transportation and school closures will be made **as early as possible and no later than 6:00 a.m.** We will do our best to notify families in advance. Our priority continues to be the safety of our students, staff members and families.

Transportation cancellations or school closures will also continue to be communicated through:

- Student Transportation Services website: www.schoolbuscity.com
- Student Transportation Hotline: 1-877-330-3001
- [Board website](#) and school websites
- [@YRDSB](#) Twitter account
- Radio and TV media outlets

Families who have provided the school with their cell phone will also receive a text message, unless you have opted out of this service. Please contact your school if you have any questions.

For more information on inclement weather days, please visit our website www.yrdsb.ca.

School Council Fundraising - Our School Council has planned for two fundraisers this school year. It has been great to hear feedback from parents who have been purchasing masks through Oliver's Labels, we appreciate your support. **This year we are fundraising for: Modernizing the Learning Commons (Library) and Outdoor learning spaces and equipment.**

- 1) **Oliver's Labels** - Did you know you can purchase really cool masks with your child's name on the inside of the mask?? As well, labels are a great way to ensure your child's belongings come home and are easily identified. Please support fundraising at Glad Park. Here is the ordering link: <http://www.oliverslabels.com/gladpark>
- 2) **New Spirit Wear** is on its way. Information will be shared on EDSBY and for our EVS students and families we will share via email. Purchasing of Glad Park Spirit Wear will be through Cash Online. If you have not accessed Cash Online please see the attached information to register. Go to www.schoolcashionline.com and register or login

Winter Clothing - The weather has been changing daily!!! Please ensure your child wears appropriate cold weather clothing to school. We cannot accept items to be dropped off. **A suggestion, pack a ziplock bag with extra hat, mitts or gloves; this way your child will always have what they need.** As well, students must have indoor and outdoor shoes. With the colder weather please ensure your child wears boots.

UPCOMING DATES:

December 7 - Gifted Screening EVS students 8:30 - 11:00 am

December 7 - 11 Hour of Code <https://hourofcode.com/ca/promote>

December 18th - Ugly Sweater Day