



# THE GIBSON GAZETTE

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As we continue to plan for the **2023-24 school year**, we are carefully tracking enrolment numbers. If you are moving or know that your child will not be returning to Joseph A. Gibson in September, 2023; please inform the office as soon as possible. In addition, if you have a child entering kindergarten next year, registration forms are available on the Board website or in the office. Gr. 1 French Immersion registrations continue to be accepted for next year. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

All **Term 1 Report Cards** will be distributed electronically during the week of Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>. Families will receive an email from the YRDSB indicating when the report cards are available in your child's GAPPS account.

Once you receive the email, please log in to your child's GAPPS account and go into their Gmail. You will see an email from the YRDSB with the Term 1 Report Card attached. If you have any questions, or are having trouble accessing the report card, please contact the office.

Thank you to our School Council for sponsoring the Winter Dance and Craft/Activity Day for all our students on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>. Students, staff and our Council members all had a great time!

**PINK** Shirt Day is on February 22, 2023. All staff and students are encouraged to wear **PINK** that day to support anti-bullying, upstanding behaviour and kindness.

As **Family Day** approaches on **Monday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>**, we hope that you take that day to enjoy time well-spent with your family and loved ones!



## Upcoming Events

DATE	EVENT
Feb. 20	Family Day Holiday
Feb. 21 – 24	Term 1 Report Cards sent home electronically
Feb. 22	Intermediate Boys Basketball AREA Tournament
Feb. 22	<b>PINK</b> Shirt Day
Feb. 23	Intermediate Girls Basketball AREA Tournament
Feb. 24	Gr. 8 High School Course Selection Deadline
Feb. 24	Odd Sock Spirit Day



## EQAO – Webinar for Gr. 3 and 6 Families

### [Webinar for Parents and Guardians of Elementary School Students](#)

Register for this free live webinar and learn about EQAO assessment results and Ontario's large-scale assessment program at the elementary-school level. EQAO will review highlights from the 2021–2022 assessment results. The session will also highlight how the primary-division (Grade 3) and junior-division (Grade 6) assessments have been modernized.

The presentation will be approximately 45 minutes and will be followed by a live Q & A session with EQAO staff. Registration: [www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507](http://www.eventbrite.ca/e/451955981507)

## Students in Action

Thanks to many of our Gibson staff for volunteering their time to coach teams, and run clubs for our students during recesses and lunch times. It is great to see so many students involved in the following these past few months:

**Announcement Team**  
**Athletic Reps**  
**Basketball**  
**Chess Club**  
**Choir**  
**Cross Country**  
**Eco Gators**  
**Forest of Reading Book Clubs**  
**Lunch Monitors**  
**Milk Monitors**  
**Tech Team**  
**Volleyball**  
**Well Being Club**

New extra-curricular opportunities will be offered in the coming months. Stay tuned!

## Centre for Black Student Excellence Mailing List

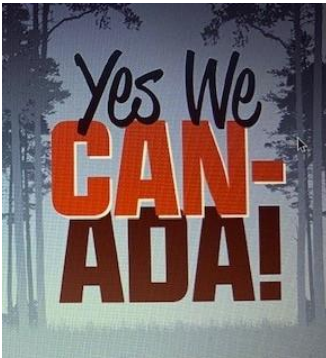
As part of our commitment to dismantling anti-Black racism, YRDSB is launching the Centre for Black Student Excellence Mailing List. Family members subscribed the mailing list will receive information about:

- Updates and programs from the [Centre for Black Student Excellence](#)
- Information about Board programs that would benefit Black students, families with Black children
- Community flyers and programs that would benefit Black students and families with Black children

Families can sign up for the mailing list using this [subscription form](#), available at [www.yrdsb.ca/blackexcellence](http://www.yrdsb.ca/blackexcellence), and can unsubscribe at any time.

The mailing list is one of the key commitments outlined in our [Dismantling Anti-Black Racism Strategy](#). For more information please visit the [Centre for Black Student Excellence](#).

## Yearbook for 2022-23



J. A. Gibson 2022-23 Yearbooks are now on sale and can be ordered online at [ybpay.ca](http://ybpay.ca) using **Yearbook ID Code 13489723**.

Paper order forms were sent home already; and are also available in the Parent Information Section in front of the office. When submitting a paper order, please make your cheque payable to **Lifetouch Canada**.

Don't miss out and pre-order **before May 8, 2023** to own your copy of this year's Gibson memories.

## School Council News

2022-23 School Council Chairs:

*Pina Olsson and Lisa Papa*



### **NEXT SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING:**

**Monday, April 17, 2023**

7:00 pm in the library

*We welcome all parents and guardians to attend any or all meetings.*

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