



January Newsletter

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Thank you for keeping
GMP Nut Free!

Mrs. Ramsay's Remarks

Happy New Year! We are well into the swing of things after a lovely Christmas break. It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Pancake Breakfast on January 5th. Thanks to the staff for hosting a delicious, warm breakfast! On January 5th, the kindergarten class presented a cheque to **Big Brothers Big Sisters Yukon for \$450!** This donation was made in connection with our GENEROSITY school wide theme for December, and the proceeds from the Silent Auction at the Christmas Crafternoon! Thank you GMP families for your GENEROSITY! Big Brothers Big Sisters Yukon were thrilled to receive our gift!

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Lynn Palfreyman to our staff. She will be an Educational Assistant in the Grade 1 class while Ms. Brenda Jenner takes a temporary consulting assignment with the Department of Education for the remainder of the school year. Thank you, Ms. Brenda for all the work you have done with GMP students – you will be missed! Ms. Lynn begins on Thursday, January 25. Welcome!

We are looking forward to welcoming our new permanent Administrative Assistant, Ms. LJ London on February 1st. Feel free to stop by and say hello to Ms. LJ in February!

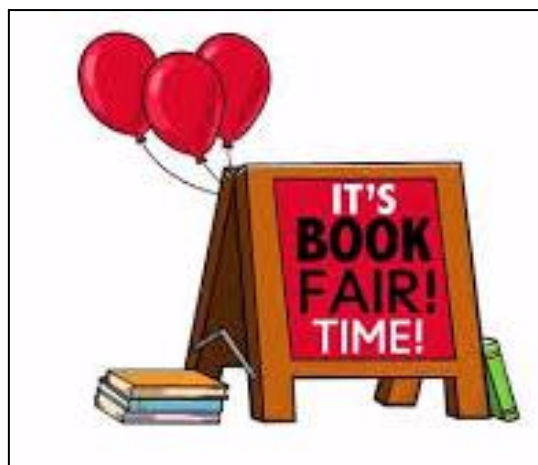
As always, please feel free to stop by my office, phone, or send an email if you have any concerns or questions.

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Student Led Conferences – Thursday, Feb 1 and Friday, Feb 2

Students are gearing up to show the progress they have made since the Goal Setting Conferences in October! All students are expected to attend the conference, and teachers will support each child in sharing their learning with you. **Please note – there are no regularly scheduled classes for students on Friday, February 2nd.**

If you have not already done so, please return your preferred conference time from the lime green paper that went home on Monday, or email me with your preference. Confirmation of your child's scheduled conference time will be sent home on Monday, January 29.



Macs' Travaganza Book Fair!

You are invited to our annual Macs' Travaganza book fair! Please pop into the library while you are here for student led portfolio conferences. There will be a selection of books for all ages. Proceeds will go towards year end field trips and activities within the school. Cash and/or cheques made out to Grey Mountain Primary School are accepted.

The book fair will be open:
Thursday, Feb. 1 from 3pm – 7pm
Friday, Feb. 2 from 8:30am to 11:30am

♥ Welcome to Kindergarten

Kindergarten Pre-registration – Children born in 2013

The Department of Education is using an online pre-registration process for Whitehorse-area schools to help improve our planning so that we can more efficiently serve the needs of all Yukon students.

Online kindergarten pre-registration for the 2018/19 school year begins February 12 at 9:00 a.m. on the Department of Education website. The link to kindergarten pre-registration and more information is <http://www.education.gov.yk.ca/kindergarten.html>

If you have any other questions, please feel free to call us or the Department of Education at 867-667-5141.

January School Wide Theme: Optimism!

This month, our school wide theme is Optimism. We are noticing attitudes of optimism throughout our school! Way to go, GMP students!

You might notice the giant sun, with sun-rays that remind us of our monthly themes, located outside the school office. Come and see!

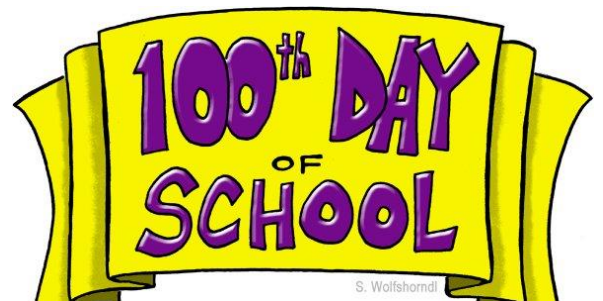


GMP Rendezvous Fun Day

Once again, GMP will host our own mini Rendezvous activities before Heritage Day! In the afternoon on February 22nd we will have a variety of fun activities. We will need parent volunteers to help us out on this afternoon, specifically the face painting station. Do you have some face painting skills? Let the office know if you can help! Come and play some games with us! Siblings welcome! Remember - no school on February 23rd Heritage Day.

100s Day – Tuesday, February 6th

We will celebrate 100 days of being in school! Once again we are collecting food items for the Whitehorse Food Bank. The children are asked to bring a canned food item to school until February 6th. We will count the groups of 100 cans! Thank you in advance, for your support.



School Council News

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 6th** at 5:30pm in the school library. All parents are welcome to attend.

GMP School Council Members

Kim Thompson – 668-6708
Tamara Carter - 334-5208
Ben Campbell – 335-1080
Ardeth Evans - (587) 890-2201



Cold Weather Reminders

Our students go outside unless it is colder than -30 including wind-chill factor. Please ensure your children wear warm clothing – coats, gloves, snow pants - so they can enjoy their time outside. Also, students are to go directly home or to their daycare after school, for weather and safety reasons. Thank you for picking up your children promptly at 3:04pm – we appreciate it!

Message from Canadian Parents for French:

Join the Yukon Chapter of CPF for a French movie night!
Free pizza, popcorn and refreshments!

Date: Sunday, January 28, 2018

Where: Association Franco-Yukonnaise

When: 2:00pm for Pizza

2:30pm **Madagascar**

****Call 336-0303 for more info.**



DATES TO REMEMBER

- Thursday, Jan. 25.....PBIS assembly – OPTIMISM - @11:30am
- Wednesday, Jan. 31.....Grade 1-3 swim at CGC bus 1:20 & 2:45
- Thursday, Feb. 1.....Student Led Conferences 3:20pm-7:00pm
- Thursday, Feb. 1.....Mac'Stravaganza Book fair in library from 3pm-7pm
- Friday, Feb. 2.....Student Led Conferences in the morning – **no school for students**
- Friday, Feb. 2.....Macs'Travaganza Book fair in library from 8:30am-11:30am
- Tuesday, Feb. 6.....Grade 3 French Play performance at 1:00pm – families welcome!
- Tuesday, Feb. 6.....School Council Meeting @5:30pm in the library
- Thursday, Feb. 8.....Grade 1 & 2 French Play performance at 2:15pm – families welcome!
- Monday, Feb. 12.....Kindergarten On-Line Pre-Registration begins @9am
- Monday, Feb. 12.....GMP Olympic Afternoon from 2-3pm – families welcome!
- Thursday, Feb. 15.....Grade 1-3 Swim at CGC – Bus at 12:30 & 2:00
- Thursday, Feb. 22.....Mini Rendezvous at GMP @2:00pm. Families welcome!
- Friday, Feb. 23.....**Heritage Day – No school**
- Monday, Feb. 26.....Professional Development Day – **no school for students**
- Tuesday, Mar. 6.....School Council Meeting 5:30pm in the library
- Friday, Mar. 9.....Grade 1-3 swim at CGC – bus @ 12:25 and 2:00
- Thursday, Mar. 15.....Chante-la-ta Chanson

Spring Break March 19 – April 2

- Tuesday, Apr. 3..... Back to School after Spring Break
- Tuesday, Apr. 10.....School Council Meeting @5:30pm in the library
- Thursday, Apr. 26.....Celebration of Learning (details to follow)
- Friday, Apr. 27.....Professional Development Day – **no school for students**
- Tuesday, May 1..... School Council Meeting @5:30pm in the library
- Monday, May 21.....Victoria Day – No School
- Tuesday, May 29..... School Council Meeting @5:30pm in the library
- Friday, June 8.....Last Day of School (3:04 dismissal)