



March Newsletter

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"Respect, Responsibility & Reaching for our Best"



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We acknowledge, recognize, and respect that we learn, work, and play, within the traditional territory of Kwanlin Dün First Nation and Ta'an Kwäch'än Council



☺ Mrs. Ramsay's Remarks

Spring Break is almost here! The students have been hard at work and play. Some highlights have included:

- Bedtime Books Bonanza!
- Lunchtime Clubs!
- Celebrating the 100th Day of School!
- Music classes with Artist in the School, Andrea McColeman!
- Activity Afternoons!
- Mini-Arctic Games!
- Cross Country Skiing! (Kinder, Grade 1, Grade 2)
- Field trip to Yukon Energy! (Grade 3)
- Whole school field trip to Grey Mountain and the Cultural Center with Sean Smith

If you have any questions or concerns, please call or come in to speak with me – my door is open and it is always better and easier to deal with a minor issue before it becomes a major problem. kim.ramsay@yukon.ca

Kim Ramsay
Principal

☺ Communicating Student Learning:

Parents will receive a phone call or email from the teacher sometime this week, March 6th to 10th. The purpose of this communication is to provide information on:

- Progress with Reading and Writing
- Your child's strengths and areas for further development
- Ways to support your child at school and at home



Please feel welcome to discuss concerns with your child's teacher at any point in the school year. Rest assured that teachers will also keep in touch with you between the reporting events as needed.



☺ Spring Break: March 13th - 24th

A reminder that spring break this year is from:

Monday, March 13th to Friday, March 24th.

The last day of classes before the break is Friday, March 10th.

School resumes on Monday, March 27th. Have a restful and happy spring break!

☺ **Hot Breakfast For Students: Friday, March 31st**

To celebrate *National Indigenous Languages Day*, March 31, **YFNED** (Yukon First Nations Education Directorate) will be providing a delicious breakfast for all Grey Mountain Primary students! It will be served in classrooms between 8:30am and 9:00am. Thanks to YFNED for supporting our students! ☺



☺ **Muffin Morning Thursday, April 6th**

On the day before Easter Break, parents/grandparents are invited to come into the classroom to snuggle up and read with their child! We'll provide muffins and coffee. Such a great way to bond over a good book! We know not everyone can get the time off to participate – we understand. Each child will enjoy books and muffins!

Easter Break – April 7th – 10th

A reminder that there will be **no school** on:

- Friday, April 7th
- Monday, April 10th



☺ **Kindergarten Registration**

Kindergarten registration for Whitehorse children born in **2018** is open!

How to register: Parents and guardians must create an Aspen/MyEducationBC Account in the Yukon's student information system.

Details can be found at this link:

<https://yukon.ca/en/register-child-school#register-your-child-for-kindergarten>



☺ **Transitions for the next school year**

Yukon schools are beginning to prepare for next year's classes. Please notify us at the school if your child will not be at Grey Mountain Primary for the next school year. Thank you!



☺ **Independent Grocery Store till receipts**

Keep your till receipts from **Independent Grocery Store** and turn them into the office. For every \$5000 worth of till receipts that we receive (they do add up fast), the school will receive a \$20.00 grocery voucher. We use these vouchers to purchase snacks for the kids.

☺ **Assemblies**

Every two weeks, our school has an assembly. We gather in a circle and sing a welcome song together. Then, each class shares what they have been learning about in their class. We sing a land acknowledgment song (check it out on our website!) and the assembly ends with a 5 minutes slideshow featuring GMP students and some great moments from the previous 2 weeks. We would love to share these assemblies with parents – you are welcome to come! The next 2 assemblies will be on:

- **Monday, April 3rd** at 11:30am in the gym
- **Monday, April 17th** at 11:30am in the gym

The assemblies are about 20 minutes long. Feel free to join your child for lunch afterwards, if time allows in your schedule.



☺ **School Website**

Our school website is at: gmp.yukonschools.ca

Here, you will find upcoming school events, and a variety of interesting nuggets of information. We will do our best to keep it updated regularly.

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR 2023

Friday, March 10th **Last Day of school before Spring Break**
 Friday, March 10th PJ/Teddy Bear Day in Grade 1

SPRING BREAK (March 13th – 24th)

Monday, March 27th **First Day back after Spring Break**
 Friday, March 31st Breakfast provided for students
 Monday, April 3rd School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
 Thursday, April 6th Muffin Morning – families welcome 8:30am-9:00am
 Friday, April 7th Good Friday – **no school**
 Monday, April 10th Easter Monday – **no school**
 Wednesday, April 12th Lunch provided by Ivan & Eliza’s family – spring rolls and pancit!
 Friday, April 14th Grade 2 Field Trip to Gymnastics
 Monday, April 17th School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
 Tuesday, April 18th Grade 2 and 3 Field Trip to Swan Haven
 Friday, April 21st Grade 2 Field Trip to Gymnastics
 Thursday, April 27th Student Led Conferences 3:00pm – 7:00pm
 Friday, April 28th Student Led Conferences – **no school for students**
 Monday, May 1st Professional Development Day – **no school for students**
 Tuesday, May 2nd School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
 Thursday, May 4th May the Fourth Day!
 Monday, May 15th School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
 Tuesday, May 16th Grade 1 and 2 to the Wildlife Preserve
 Monday, May 22nd Victoria Day – **no school**
 Wednesday, May 24th Bike Bonanza afternoon
 Thursday, May 25th Kindergarten Orientation for students beginning in Aug 2023
 Monday, May 29th School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
 Friday, June 2nd Grey Mountain Gallop afternoon
 Monday, June 12th School Assembly in the gym at 11:30am – parents welcome!
 Monday, June 12th Family Picnic and Grade 3 Farewell at 5:00pm
 Wednesday, June 14th Whole School Field Trip to Kookatsoon Beach
 Thursday, June 15th Last day of school – **2:45pm Dismissal**

