



# Gerald McShane School



March 2026 Newsletter

Dear GMS Community,

Welcome back, students and families! We hope your Spring Break was filled with rest, fun, and special family moments. We are thrilled to see everyone return with bright smiles and ready to jump back into learning. As we settle back into our routines, please remember to set your clocks ahead one hour on Sunday, March 8, 2026, for daylight saving time. We look forward to a season filled with growth, discovery, and joyful experiences together. We are heading into our final stretch of the year and would like to thank all our elementary families for their love, encouragement, and support you give your children each day. Your partnership makes a wonderful difference in their success.

Mr. Vince Timpano  
Gerald McShane Elementary Principal

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## REMINDER:

**Report Cards:** will be issued to parents on **Friday, March 13, 2026**, via Mozaik.

**Parent-Teacher Interviews:** Parent-Teacher Interviews will be virtual for Term 2 via Microsoft TEAMS. They will be scheduled on **March 19, 2026**, between 3:30 – 5:30 pm and 6:30 – 9:00 pm to discuss your child's academic progress.

Parents/Guardians who are requested to meet their child's teacher(s) will be given priority to schedule a meeting through the booking app on **March 16 and March 17**. For Cycle 2 and 3 students, please book with the English teacher only; both French and English teachers will be present.

Parents/Guardians who are not invited but still wish to meet their child's teacher(s) may book an appointment through the booking app only on **March 18**. If you book prior, the teacher will delete the appointment to give priority to parents who are requested to meet.

An email link for interviews will be sent to all GMS parents/guardians on the morning of **Sunday, March 15 by GMS Email Broadcast**. If you are unable to attend, please email the teacher to schedule a different date and time.

**Pedagogical Day: Monday, March 16 & Friday, March 20**

**St. Partick's Day:** All students and Staff are encouraged to wear **Green on March 17!**

**Staff Appreciation Week:** Staff Appreciation Week is a wonderful opportunity to show our gratitude for the incredible dedication and care our teachers and staff provide each day. We invite families to help us celebrate by sending in baked goods on March 17, 18, and 19 to treat our hardworking team. Items can be dropped off in the Main Office, and all contributions are greatly appreciated. The Administration and the PPO are excited to spoil our staff and make this a truly special celebration for them!

**Show:** On **Wednesday, March 25, 2026**, the students will be treated to a Maple Syrup Show. Everyone will get the story as to how maple syrup is made for us to enjoy.

**Spring Pop-up Market:** On **Saturday, March 28, from 12 pm to 4 pm**, GMS will host its first ever Pop-up Market. Our school is excited to host a Pop-Up Market featuring a variety of well-known vendors showcasing their delicious foods, unique products, and special services. It's a wonderful opportunity to explore, shop, and support businesses while enjoying time with family and friends. Spread the word and come see all the great things our vendors have to offer. The day promises to be full of fun and community spirit. The market is open to everyone, so we hope to see you there!

**After School Activities:**

Please note the remaining dates of each after school activity below. If you have a child participating in an activity, please pick up your child from the Daycare entrance at 3:40 PM. If they are in daycare, they will return to their group after the activity.

MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAY
FLAG FOOTBALL	MUSICAL REHEARSALS	SPORTBALL/SOCCER
March 9	March 10	March 11
March 23	March 16 (8am-2pm)	March 18
March 30	March 17	March 25
	March 24	
	March 31	

THURSDAYS	FRIDAYS
BASKETBALL	KARATE
March 12	March 13
March 26	March 27

**K4 & K5 Student Spots Available:**

Gerald McShane has some K4 & K5 availability and we are **making appointments as of March 9!** There are only a few spots left, so call us soon to secure yours. Be part of our family and experience exceptional service! Don't wait—call today to book your appointment before they fill up. Spread the word!

📞 514-321-1100 ✨

**Communication with Teachers:**

Please note that all students have received a school agenda. You are encouraged to use the agenda as a communication tool between home and school. You are also encouraged to stay in regular contact throughout the year with your child(ren)'s teachers to ensure they are progressing academically. Teachers may be contacted through the agenda, by phone (message relayed to teachers) or by email.

**FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**



Remember that anyone can follow us on Instagram and Facebook. Our school posts often with photos from different classes and reminders of upcoming events and activities.

**Follow us on Facebook and Instagram!**

### Some MARCH 2026 Dates to Remember

- March 2-6 March Break (school and daycare closed)
- March 8 Daylight saving time begins – set clocks AHEAD by 1 hour
- March 9 Students and staff return after March Break / Learn to Skate K4 & K5
- March 10 Star Students of the Month assembly
- March 13 Dress Down Day & Report Cards available on Mozaik
- March 16 Pedagogical Day - Daycare Open / Musical Rehearsals
- March 17 St. Patrick's Day
- March 17-18-19 Staff Appreciation week
- March 19 Parent-Teacher Interviews (Virtual - appointment only)
- March 20 Pedagogical Day - Daycare Open / Select Students for Futsal Playday
- March 23 Learn to Skate K4 & K5 / PPO Meeting 6:30
- March 25 Maple Syrup Theatre Show
- March 27 Storytelling Workshop Grade 3A , 3/4M and 4A / Cycle 3 Workshop on Healthy Habits
- March 28 Spring Pop-up Market
- March 30 Château Ramezay 4A, SC3/4, SC4
- March 31 Château Ramezay 3A & 3/4M / Storytelling Cycle 3

 <b>MARCH 2026</b>						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
						
8	9 Learn to Skate K4 & K5 8:00 – 10:00	10 Star Student Assembly 8:30 a.m. 	11	12	13 Dress Down Day Terry Fox Incentive 	14
15	16 <b>Ped Day</b> (Daycare Open)	17  <b>Happy St. Patrick's Day</b> Staff Appreciation Week	18	19 Parent/Teacher 3:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. Invitation Only	20 <b>Ped Day</b> (Daycare Open)  Mini Futsal Playday Select 5 & 6 Students	21
22	23 Learn to Skate K4 & K5 8:00 – 10:00  PPO Meeting 6:30 p.m.	24	25 Présentation du sirop d'érable K4 to 6 	26	27 Storytelling Workshop 3A, 3/4M, 4A  Health Workshops Cycle 3 by Nurse	28 Spring Market Pop-Up 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 
29	30 Château Ramezay 4A, SC3/4, SC4   FIELD TRIP	31 Château Ramezay 3A, 3/4M  Storytelling Festival Cycle 3	1 Lego Workshop K5 & Grade 1	2	3 <b>Holiday</b> (Daycare Closed) 	4