

# November

# PDC Press

“ The only way to have a friend is to be one. ”

## October Spotlight

October flew by! Here is a recap of the October month.

Our Fall Family Fun Night was a huge success. With 440 family members in attendance, our first ever PJ Movie Night was loads of fun. Thank you to all PPO members for volunteering their time for this event and to Les Delices Lafrennaie for donating the milk and cookies for the evening.

EMSB high schools came to visit our cycle 3 students informing them about their Open Houses. Don't forget to check out our EMSB high school's websites for more information.

Our PDCIA, Mr. Vince Lacroce, held workshops for our cycle 3 students on Healthy Relationships. It was well received. Thank you Mr. Vince.

We are so proud that the PDC family came together to raise a total of 51,637\$ for LLS in honour of our student, Joey. Our students worked hard in raising money for their dance-a-thon all in honour of Joey. We want to thank all of those who donated and came to the walk on Saturday, October 25. PDC truly is a family and community school. Thank you once again.

Halloween Idol was filled with great entertainment and talent. Thank you to the Halloween Teacher Committee for putting this together. It's a staple at PDC and the kids love it so, so much!

Once again, our Haunted House was SPOOKTACULAR! Thank you PPO for making it possible. Make sure to check our socials to see our Haunted House in action.

## Important Dates

November 4: Je Me Souviens Museum Exhibition at school grades 4 to 6

November 5: Open House from 6:00-9:00pm

November 6: Pop Up Market 3:00pm - 8:00pm, Pizza Pick Up (4:00-7:00pm) & Photos with Santa (5:30-7:30pm) by appointment only

November 7: Ped Day. Daycare Closed.

November 10 - December 8: Sox in a Box Campaign

November 20: Hearing Screenings for K4 & K5

November 24: Report Cards available on Mozaik

November 25-26: Scholastic Book Fair

November 27: Parent Teacher Interviews + Scholastic Book Fair + Big Box of Cards Pickup

November 28: Ped Day



## Open House– November 5

This year's Open House is taking place on Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-9:00pm. This is a very important evening for us. It allows incoming parents to come visit our school and see where the adventure begins.

Word of mouth and social media are two important ways to make our community known.

We need your support in sharing our social media content and speaking to those who may have elementary aged children about our school and about our Open House.

We have so much to offer and hope that you can invite them to board our PDC aircraft and see where the adventure begins!!!!

## Pop Up Market– November 6

With 34 vendors present, our Winter Pop Up Market is set to be a success.

Come by and support local businesses all while shopping ahead for the holidays or for yourself.

For those of you who ordered pizza, pick up will be outside by the parking lot between 4 and 7pm.

For those who have booked an appointment to take photos with Santa, please come during the timeslot you selected (5:3-6:30pm or 6:30-7:30pm).

Please remember a cash payment of 15\$ is due before your photo with Santa.

All money raised this evening is going towards our Art, Italian and Music Programs.





## Parent Teacher Interviews

Parent-Teacher Interviews will be held in person on November 27. These interviews provide a valuable opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress and address any concerns with their teachers.

Save the date & times:

9:00AM to 12:00PM, 1:00PM to 5:00PM & 6:00PM to 9:00PM.

An email will be sent with further details on how to book an appointment with your teacher(s) closer to the date.

## McGill Hearing Screening Tests

Our preschool parents were given the opportunity to have their children participate in a free hearing screening organized by McGill University's School of Communication Sciences and Disorders (SCSD).

These screenings will be supervised by Maryse Robidoux, audiologist, Gigi Cho, audiologist, and Michelle Sasson, PDC's Speech-Language Pathologist. We remind preschool parents that the deadline to return the permission slip is November 3.



## Sox in a Box

As the holiday season approaches, we are reminded that this time of year can be particularly challenging for those less fortunate within our community. In keeping with our tradition of compassion and service, we will once again be participating in the Twelfth Annual "Sox in a Box" Campaign.

The purpose of this initiative is to encourage students and staff to contribute new socks (for both children and adults), which will be distributed to four charitable organizations in the Greater Montreal Area: Old Brewery Mission, Sun Youth, Chez Doris, and Dans La Rue. Each class will have a box in their homeroom class, where socks can be dropped off. We will collect socks from November 10– December 8. In addition, we will be hosting the annual wrap up event at school on December 9 where 6 EMSB schools will come together to wrap up all the socks collected.







## Scholastics Book Fair

We will be holding our annual Scholastic's Book Fair on November 25- 26 for students and on November 27 for parents during Parent Teacher Interviews.

All students from K4 to grade 6 will have an opportunity to visit with their teacher and purchase books at the Book Fair. See schedule below to know when your child's class is visiting the Book Fair.

On November 27, parents can visit the Book Fair from 9:00-12:00pm, 13:00-17:00, 18:00-21:00. Please note that we accept cash and cheque as payment.

We hope you will support our Book Fair as it provides students with a wonderful opportunity to purchase books at a reasonable cost.

In addition, Scholastics gives back to our school to purchase books and educational resources for our library and classes.

<b>Tuesday, November 25</b>	<b>Wednesday, November 26</b>
K4A, K4B & K4C	WC1
K5A, K5B, K5D	K5C
WR1, WR2, WR3	1A, 1B, 1C, 1D
2C	2A & 2B
3A & 3B	4A, 4B, 4C
5B, 56M, 6B	5A
	6A



## Main Office Etiquette & Safety

We would like to remind all adults of a few important pick-up and drop-off procedures through the main office.

When you buzz in, please look directly into the camera so that our office staff can clearly see who is requesting entry. Please remove any hoods or sunglasses. For security reasons, we kindly ask that you do not hold the door open or allow anyone to enter behind you. Each person must be buzzed in individually.

Additionally, when picking up your child for an early dismissal, please remain by the two office chairs or bookshelf area while waiting. This helps us keep the main hallway clear and ensures a smooth, safe process for all.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping us maintain a safe environment for our students and staff.

## Recess Snacks



We encourage all families to pack healthy snacks to support students' focus and energy throughout the day. Please note that all students will be eating their snacks indoors to ensure safe eating practices. Thank you for promoting healthy choices and keeping our students safe!

## Winter boots– indoor shoes

With rain and snow in the forecast, please ensure your child comes to school with outdoor boots and keeps a pair of indoor shoes at school. This helps keep our classrooms clean and safe for students to walk.

A quick reminder that open-back shoes are not permitted for safety reasons. Thank you for your cooperation!





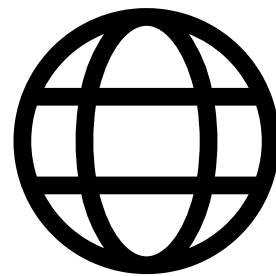








## Follow Us on Social Media



Once again, a huge thank you to our entire school community for your incredible generosity over the last six weeks. Together, we raised over \$50,000 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in support of one of our own students. This amazing act of kindness shows just how united we are when we come together for a cause that matters.

Beyond the fundraising total, what truly stands out, is the lesson our children are learning: the power of compassion, empathy, and standing by one another in difficult times. We are so proud to be part of a community that not only cares deeply but acts with love; a true reflection of what it means to be a family.

WE ARE PDC!

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