École Shannon Park School

Mid November Update

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November 2026

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- November 20: Assessment & Evaluation Day (No School for Students)
- November 25: Adaptations sent home via EDUPost
- November 30: Report Cards sent home via EDUPost
- December 3: Progress Conferences: 4pm-6pm
- December 4: Prof. Practice & Progress Conferences: 12pm-2pm (No School for Students)
- December 16: Winter Concert (Grades Primary-2/3M): 12:40pm
- December 18: Last day of school for students before holiday break

Progress Conferences

Progress Conferences are one way to learn about your child's learning and progress at school. Ongoing communication between home and school is an important part of building positive learning partnerships throughout the year. Conferences will be **Thursday, December 3rd from 4:00–6:00 PM** and **Friday, December 4th from 12:00-2:00 PM**. Teachers will contact families next week, by **November 25th**, to arrange meeting times.

Provincial Student Attendance and Engagement Policy

Regular school attendance plays a key role in setting students up for success. We understand that sometimes special circumstances arise and we work collaboratively with our families to navigate these challenges. Ensuring regular attendance is a joint effort between students, families and schools. As a parent/guardian, you play an important role by monitoring attendance, communicating with the school when your child is absent, and supporting your child's regular attendance. We are starting to reach out to families of students who have 5% and above absenteeism. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to support regular, consistent attendance for your child. We also have a number of students arriving late each day. It is important that students start the day ready to learn by 8:10 AM. You can read more about the provincial policy here.



Winter Concert

On Wednesday, December 16th, at 12:40pm, Shannon Park School will be hosting our annual Lower Elementary (Primary-2/3) Winter Concert. Please be seated in the gym for a 12:40 pm start. Doors will open at 12:15pm. Students from the following classes will be performing: P Noiles, P Wall, P Maddigan, P/1 Koch, P-2 McKay, 1 Dick, 1 Prior, 1/2 Dull, 2 Stevens, 2 MacLean, and 2/3 McLeod.

Lost & Found

We have many Lost and Found items in our main hallway! If your child is missing a sweater, lunch bag, water bottle, or other belongings, please encourage them to take a look. Any items left after December 16th will be donated.

Schools Plus Lunch Programming

Schools Plus is organizing some lunch time activities.

- All grades 3–6 students are welcome at Pride Club at lunch for crafts, games, and friends in a space celebrating kindness and belonging. Bring your lunch for our next meetings on **Nov. 30** and **Dec. 14** (2027 dates shared in January).
- Get ready to create and have fun with a weekly lunchtime Craft Club for 10 students each week from Grades 1–6 (starting with Grade 1). All supplies are provided—just bring your lunch and a pencil case/kit box! Meetings run on Tuesdays: **Nov. 24, Dec. 1, and Dec. 8** (2027 dates coming in January). We can't wait to get creative! If your child is interested, they can mention it to their teacher. Schools Plus staff will come visit classrooms to tell the students about the program and how they can join.

Reminders

- Please, do not send **nut or peanut** products to school (this includes Nutella products).
- Please note that teachers are on morning **duty** as of 7:50 am. Please do not drop off students before this time. Thank you!
- It is helpful to have a complete **change of clothes** in your child's backpack just in case of mud, puddles, or spills and it may save you a trip to school in the middle of your day.
- Please do not bring **dogs** onto school grounds.
- Please do not ride **bikes or scooters** (electric or otherwise) on school property. Please walk them instead.
- Please do not drive or park on school property. There is absolutely no **driving/parking** on school property for unauthorized vehicles without prior arrangements during the day. Please drive slowly and watch for crosswalks. *When buses arrive, do not drive or walk around them.* This protects all of us and especially our

students.

- Please request proper forms for the administration of any **medications**. These need to be completed each school year. Medications can be administered to students by school staff during school hours when we have completed forms on file at school. All medications must be in their original containers; prescription medication with the current pharmacy label attached, and non-prescription medication to include the package documentation for guidance *(Parents/guardians are able to request from their pharmacy a separate labelled medication for school use*).
- Please ensure that your child has **indoor shoes** for school and wears outdoor shoes/boots to help keep our school clean.
- Students are <u>not</u> permitted to use **cell phones** during the school day. If students bring cellphones to school, they must be turned off and in their backpacks for the entire school day.