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Principal
Ms. Pam Spero

Vice Principal
Mrs. Amy Woodland

Important Dates

Jan. 10, & 24th

Pita Day/Sundae Day

Jan. 18th– P. A. Day

*No school for students

Jan. 17th & Feb. 1st Pizza
Day

Jan. 31st -
10:00am-6:00pm
Kindergarten
Registration Open House

Our next SAC meeting
will be:
January 29th @ 6 p.m.
Everyone welcome!

Feb. 1st Student of the
Month Assembly



Senator Gibson News

January 2019

Happy New Year to our Senator Gibson families!

We hope that everyone enjoyed a wonderful, relaxing winter break! We have many exciting learning activities to look forward to in 2019. Basketball is already under way for our Intermediate students. Homework club, Me to We, Battle of the Books, Lego Robotics, etc. Please remind your child(ren) to listen to the morning announcements and check our “live” school calendar online so they know when and where these activities are taking place. Thank you to our amazing staff at Senator Gibson for their hard work and dedication in ensuring all students feel important, welcome and successful.

As the year ends and a new year begins we have to say goodbye to some staff and welcome some new folks. We wish Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Vanderwal, Mrs. Phillips, Mrs. Davis, and Mrs. Chisholm the best as enter they an exciting venture. We welcome Mrs. Villeseche and Mrs Hoskin in the office and Mrs. Woodland as our Vice-Principal.

A reminder that the colder weather is here and all students are expected to be outside for 20 minutes, twice daily during our fitness breaks. Please ensure that your child(ren) are dressed appropriately for the weather conditions. Hats, coats, boots and mitts are essential☺

Term One Reports will be coming home on February 8th . We appreciate your continued support and communication through agendas, email, phone calls and meetings. We are truly thankful for the wonderful Senator Gibson community that we work in!

Our best wishes for a happy 2019☺

Ms. P. Spero, and Mrs. A. Woodland

School Advisory Council Corner

A BIG thank you to our SAC for organizing our Second Annual Mistletoe Market for our students! We certainly appreciate all the hard work and preparation that is required to make this day possible for our students. A great day was had by all 😊

Our next SAC meeting will be January 29th @ 6PM in our Learning Commons. All are welcome to attend. Childcare will be available. We hope to see you there!



Tips to remember for using Dreambox at home:

- If your child is stopping to talk to someone or perhaps going away from the computer to visit the washroom, be sure that he/she pauses the game he/she is playing. If the game is not paused, the program determines that your child required that much think time to solve the problem and will adjust the programming to a lower level as a result.
- Time on Dreambox does not count unless a game is completed. Be sure that your child doesn't bounce from game to game but completely finishes one before moving onto another.

Login : 42cv/senatorgip

Remember... It's okay for students to struggle a little bit with lessons😊

GRADE ONE FRENCH IMMERSION OPEN HOUSE

Central French Immersion School is very excited to be welcoming potential Grade One students! On Thursday, January 10, 2019 Central will be hosting the Grade One Open House from 6:00p.m. to 7:00p.m. This is a great opportunity for new and old families to learn about the French Immersion program at Central and ask any questions that they may have. Please pass this information to any families you know might be interested.

Please feel free to call Central French Immersion with any questions you may have at 905-945-5459.

On line registration will be open as of January 7, 2019.

The community of Senator Gibson Public School is committed to creating an inclusive environment where students are educated, inspired and challenged to be critical thinkers who contribute in our changing society.

Congratulations to our December *'I Matter'* Students of the Month!



<u>Grade 1</u>	<u>Grade 2</u>	<u>Grade 3</u>	<u>Grade 4</u>	<u>Grade 5</u>	<u>Grade 6</u>	<u>Grade 7</u>	<u>Grade 8</u>	<u>FSP</u>
Blaze R	Jordyn R	Leah B	Caleb W	Hailey B	Allison A	Ryan G	Conner C	Olivia S
Josephine W	Ava T	Taylor H	Hannah S	Holly M	Ethan B	Emma P	Kayla B	Remi R
Aylin S	Nora P	Kellan H	Jordyn M	Emma K	Austin B	Logan M	Rowan L	
Ryland L	Atlyn K	Harry D	Tayla C	Myra T	Teegan P	Jacob S	Sophia H	
	Jax H	Zac P	Chloe K	Jack S	Michael R			
			Vivian M	Marley S	Matthew S			
			Ava P					
			Rachel W					
			Sara W					
			Sophia M					
			Keisha U					
			Dustin S					

Volleyball NEWS

Congratulations to the Junior Boys and Girls Volleyball teams as they embarked on a new adventure this year of learning the 3-ball format of volleyball this season. The teams were patient, eager learners who developed their skills over the entire season and who both played their best in the very last game against Twenty Valley. We admire their dedication to attend early morning practices and late after school games. We were impressed by their sportsmanship and team building skills that they developed over the season. The boys finished their season in 2nd place, while the girls finished in 3rd. A special thank you to all the parents who drove us to and from our away games. We couldn't have done it without you!! See you on the court next year, Mrs. Sutherland, Miss Lillico and Mrs. Stayzer

Junior Boys Team: Dom, Drew, Ethan, Graham, Kenton, Kingston, Matthew S., Matthew C.S., Oliver, Ryan, Trevor, Ty, Xander, Zach

Junior Girls Team:

Hailey, Emily, Jordan, Tori, Natalie, Cierra, Jorja, Maddy, Chloe, Keegan, Keisha, Zoe, Lily, Hannah

Me to We **Social Justice Club**

Community Care Gift Baskets

We are so thankful for the many generous donations to our Community Care Food and Gift Basket initiative in December. We were able to put together 9 hampers and buy additional presents for 10 other children with the "Angel Wishes" loonies. We appreciate the support of our community for making this possible. Thank you to the volunteers who assembled the hampers and bought the Angel Wishes.

Welcome back and HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I would like to re-introduce myself for any new staff. I am Christy White, your Public Health School Nurse. Feel free to contact me with any health questions or concerns within your school.

Looking to make some healthy eating changes in your school this year? Why not sign up for [You're the Chef!](#)

This is a lunch-time or after-school program that teaches students in grades five and up to prepare tasty and nutritious recipes with vegetables, fruit and wholegrains. If you would like to begin You're the Chef at your school, you will need:

- 1) A volunteer leader (e.g. parent, teacher, youth worker, etc.) who attends a training session
- 2) A clean area to hold cooking sessions (a classroom will work)
- 3) Some funds for food supplies

The next training date is **February 6th, 2019**. Register [here](#) before **February 1st**. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Christy White, RN, BScN

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If you have a child or know any children living within the Senator Gibson area, who will be 4 years old on or before December 31, 2019, please mark this date on your calendar! We look forward to meeting you at our Open House☺

Please remember to bring along your child's record of birth and their immunization records.

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SAVE THE DATE FOR
KINDERGARTEN
KICKSTART
AT THE DSBN

See a Kindergarten classroom

Meet the Kindergarten Team

Register for school

Get a fun goodie bag with learning resources

NEW THIS YEAR!
REGISTER ONLINE
DETAILS COMING SOON

Thursday, January 31, 2019 • 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

And that's a Wrap!!!

A huge shout out to the Grade 3 and Grade 4 boys who participated the past 7 weeks in the Salvation Army Red Cap Program. Ms. Dina is really proud of their commitment to the program, their amazing team work and most importantly their kindness and respect they showed each other and the leaders running the Program. Today's graduation party was a great success. Tons of fun was had by all.



Inclement Weather

- There may be times during the school year where inclement weather or other situations could cause transportation cancellations or school closures.
- At times when student transportation has been cancelled and schools remain open, the decision of whether or not to have children in school on that day rests with the parent or guardian.
- Should you decide not to send your child to school in the event that transportation is cancelled but schools remain open, or if your child is ill or late, please ensure that you call your child's school to inform them of your child's absence.**
- A key resource in any emergency is the DSBN Emergency Information form that you filled out at the beginning of the school year. Please let the school know of any changes in contact information or procedures you wish to be followed throughout the school year.
- Information about transportation cancellations and school closures will be available as soon as it is available through the following channels:

Websites:

<http://www.dsbm.org/inclementweather/>
www.nsts.ca

Subscription Features:

DSBN Facebook or Twitter
NSTS Transportation Delay or Cancellation Alerts

Phone:

Niagara Student Transportation Services 905-346-0290 Voice Auto Attendant

Radio Stations:

CKTB (610 AM) St. Catharines	CHRE (105.7 FM) St. Catharines
WAVE (94.7 FM) Hamilton	CHTZ-FM (97.7 FM) St. Catharines
CKOC (1150 AM) Hamilton	2DayFM (105.1 FM) Niagara Falls/Fort Erie
CHML (900 AM) Hamilton	K-LITE-FM (102.9 FM) Hamilton
CHAM (820 AM) Hamilton	GIANT FM (91.7 FM) Welland
Y-108(107.9) Hamilton	