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Important Dates

Oct. 2nd Picture Day

Oct. 4th Intermediate

Coed Soccer

Oct. 3 & 16– X Country

Friday, Oct.5th

*P.A. Day – No school for
students

Monday, Oct.8th-

Thanksgiving

Oct 10 - Mad

Science

Oct. 22th – Int. VB begins

November 7th - Parent
Involvement Conference

Parent Council Meeting:

October 23, 2018 @
6PM - Childcare will be
available.



Senator Gibson News

October 2018



From the Office

Dear Senator Gibson families,

It's hard to believe that September has come and gone already!

Thank you to all who attended and supported our Open House/Meet The Teacher. It was amazing to see so many families. Students and teachers were so excited to share their classrooms with family members 😊

With Thanksgiving approaching, it is timely for us to reflect upon the many reasons we have to be thankful at Senator Gibson Public School. We are honored and proud to work with such amazing students and families. We are thankful for the partnership that we have with all of you as we commit to achieve success for all students. It's not easy juggling the busy lives that we all lead! Thank you for stepping up and helping us provide great opportunities for our students. We appreciate when you are able to help with transporting students to and from events, spend time working in the Learning Commons, volunteer your time to be on our School Advisory Council, help out in classrooms and with teams, and so much more. Please know that we value your time and efforts.

On behalf of our staff, we extend our warmest wishes for a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Ms. P. Spero and Mrs. K. Phillips

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.

School Advisory Council

The Senator Gibson School Advisory Council works tirelessly to improve our school. Thank you to all who attended our first meeting – we had a great turnout! We are looking forward to another great year at Gibson! All parents are welcome to join us at our next meeting on October 23rd @ 6 p.m. to have a voice, as we work to set goals for this school year.

We are pleased to introduce our 2018-19 Executive Members:

Co-Chairs – Marietta Hopkins and Erin Accadia

Treasurer – Stacey Tallman

Secretary – Janelle Wood

Attention All Parents – We are already looking ahead to our annual **Parent Involvement Conference** being held November 7th!

To learn more about the free sessions being offered this year and for registration please visit: <https://www.dsbns.org/pic/>

THANK YOU to our Senator Gibson families and parent volunteers for helping to make our Scholastic Book Fair a huge success!



We are thrilled to announce that we met *and* surpassed our goal to sell 500 books☺

Thanks to your generous support, we were able to earn over \$3,000.00 which will be used to purchase resources for our classrooms and Learning Commons.

THANK YOU!!



Free Dental Screening Coming to Senator Gibson

A Public Health registered dental hygienist is scheduled to visit our school in December to provide dental screening to students in grades JK, SK, 2, 4, 6 and 8 and other children as required under the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

During this time the registered dental hygienist will perform a visual inspection of each child to determine his/her dental needs. Parents will be contacted if their child requires immediate dental care. Public Health dental programs may financially assist children who do not have access to required dental care.

Please contact the Public Health dental program for any of the following:

- ☐ If you do NOT wish your child to participate in the dental screening.
- ☐ If your child is not in one of the targeted grades and you would like him/her to participate.

*Call the Dental Health Information Line at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7399 or email dental@niagararegion.ca.

Nutritious Snack Program for Students



We are thrilled to be able to continue our Student Nutrition Program at Senator Gibson this year. Niagara Nutrition Partners and Community Care administer the funds for this program, on behalf of the Ontario Ministry of Child and Youth Services. The objective of this program is to promote healthy eating and provide a healthy snack to any student who would like one. There is no fee for this program, however donations are always graciously accepted to ensure the sustainability of the program.

Grade 8 Students and Parents: Save the Date!

Starting high school is a huge step in a student's life.

While it's definitely an exciting time, it also brings about many questions, such as "What's life in high school really like? What programs and options are available to help me achieve my goals?"

A great way to have your questions answered is to attend an open house. Grade 8 students and their families are invited to attend High School Open Houses from **November 26-29**.

Grade 8 High School Open House Dates and Times:

AN Myer	November 29	6:30 pm
Beamsville	November 28	6:00 pm
EL Crossley	November 27	6:30 pm
Eastdale	November 29	6:00 pm
Eden	November 29	6:30 pm
Greater Fort Erie	November 27	6:00 pm
Governor Simcoe	November 26	6:00 pm
Grimsby	November 27	6:00 pm
Laura Secord	November 28	6:00 pm
Port Colborne	November 27	6:00 pm
Sir Winston Churchill	November 26	6:00 pm
St Cath Collegiate	November 27	6:00 pm
Stamford	November 27	6:00 pm
Thorold	November 27	6:30 pm
Westlane	November 28	6:30 pm
Welland Centennial	November 29	6:30 pm



Free Money for Your Child's Future!

What is the Canada Learning Bond (CLB)?

The Canada Learning Bond (CLB) is a government program that gives **\$500** in education money to **children born on or after January 1, 2004** whose families receive the **Canada Child Benefit Supplement** (family net income of **\$45,916** or less or more based on number of children).

Sound good? Keep reading...

- The Government will add **\$100 more every year** the child is eligible, up to age 15.
- Each child could get up to **\$2000 (plus interest)** in RESP contributions!
- **NO family contribution is required**
- The Canada Learning Bond is retroactive for children born 2004 or after



MAD SCIENCE

Mad Science Presentation to take place in the gym on October 10 @ 1:25pm. Students who are interested in participating in the program will be provided with information to take home for parents to read. Registration information will also be part of this package.

Growth Mindset For Parents 😊

The way we talk about ability and learning can have powerful effects on our children's beliefs. Below are three ways parents can instill a growth mindset. And remember, developing a growth mindset in yourself and in your kids is a process that takes time. Have a growth mindset about developing a growth mindset!

- Recognize your own mindset: Be mindful of your own thinking and of the messages you send with your words and actions.
- Praise the process: Praising kids for being smart suggests that innate talent is the reason for success, while focusing on the process helps them see how their effort leads to success.
- Model learning from failure: When parents talk positively about making mistakes, kids start to think of mistakes as a natural part of the learning process.
- www.mindsetkit.org



Cross Country

The Senator Gibson Cross Country team had 58 brave members who attended the first meet at Centennial Park in Grimsby on September 26th. It was a nice day, and our runners showed true Gator spirit by finishing every grueling race they participated in. We had several students place in the top 10 to earn valuable points for our team. We were very proud of the spirit our team showed and we were thrilled with the effort put forth by every member of our team! Keep running Gators and practice those hills!

Mrs. Sutherland, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. DeSilva Piques.

Volleyball

Congratulations to this year's Intermediate Gator Volleyball Team! Players have been working hard daily preparing for their season opener. Go Gators! Thanks Mr. Penner, Mrs. Grosvenor, and Mr. Carnegie 😊

Jr/Int. Co-Ed Soccer

Good luck to our Intermediate team on Oct. 4th. Our junior team already participated in their tourney in late Sept. Thank you Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Schneider for taking the time to coach our teams!

Kiss and Ride

For the safety of our students, we thank you in advance for *not* parking in our Kiss and Ride area. This is a drop off area only, for Kindergarten students and parents accessing the Day Care. Students in Grades 1-8 should be using the Kiss and Ride at the side of the building and entering the building from the playground in the back. Please consider parking on the side streets and walking over should you wish to accompany your child(ren). In addition, please remember that children may be walking on the sidewalks or crossing the parking lot. Please be careful when entering and exiting the school driveway. Thank you for helping to ensure the safety of everyone!

ME TO WE AT SENATOR GIBSON!

The Me to We Club would like to thank all the staff and students, in advance, for showing their support on Orange Shirt Day. It was also wonderful to see so many staff and students wearing orange as a reminder to all of us that *Every Child Matters*. We are excited to continue to work together to inspire, support and empower students as individuals, learners, and members of the community.

Me to We is planning a Collecting for the Cold Drive from mid to the end of October. Donations will be accepted for hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, etc and will given to local charity to support families in the community. The class bringing in the most donations will win a pizza party. We will also continue to sell Sundaes for Kids (Chapman's Ice Cream) on Pita Lunch dates during second break. The cost for a cup is \$2.00 with proceeds going to international and local groups. This month our proceeds will be donated to support families affected by the hurricanes. We will be accepting cash only on these days.



Box Lunch Brigade Information

Please refer to our school website and click on the Box Lunch Brigade Calendar for Information links for information related to this opportunity.



FRESH FROM THE FARM - PARENT COUNCIL FUNDRAISER



Information has been sent home for this fundraiser. Orders must be submitted by Oct. 15th. If you need more information email contact@freshfromfarm.ca or visit www.freshfromfarm.ca

STUDENT OF THE MONTH - AWARDS

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Students</u>	
Pitre	FSP	Filip W.	Rachelle L.
Dick	1	Grayson M.	Alexis C.
Orlando	1	Kaison H.	Lily A.
Haynes	2	Aurora D.	Colton Z.
Boniface	2/3	Brodie A.	Chris A.
Troup	2	Tanner B.	Lily D.
Cressey	3	Austin B.	Nora B.
Vanderwal	3	Mason B.	Nicholas A.
Continelli	3/4	Khloe B.	Georgia C.
Martinello	4	Nicola O.	Chloe C.
Grosvenor	5	Sheldon P.	Chris A. Cali R.
Schneider	5	Gavin G.	Owen J.
Lewis	6	Sophia R.	
Sutherland	6	Lily S.	William Y.
Carnegie	7	Ali Q.	Alexander C. Braden P.
Manfredi	7	Nadia T.	Mikaleigh K.
Brouwer	8	Cheyenne B.	Aidan T.
Parton/TBA	8	To be recognized at the October SOM assembly	

Character Trait for the month of October... RESPECT