Plan for Gregory A Hogan

FUNDraising

Dear Families -

Part of the yearly planning for schools is to engage in a Fundraising Plan. In doing so, we must also align our practices with policies and procedures. The grade 6, 7 and 8 classes are doing specific fundraisers to support their excursions. Our grade 7 students are also benefitting from an outdoor education grant. French language grants that were available last year from the ministry (to support our grade 8 excursion) have not been offered this year. We continue to seek out any opportunities to support the grade 8 excursion; if you know of any, please share it with Mme Frayne (Secretary) or the classroom teachers.

To focus our efforts on many identified areas of need, we are streamlining our fundraising efforts to a fewer number of fundraisers with the hope of filling some of the needs within our school which include:

~physical education equipment to allow for activities which support the development of physical literacy; refresh of physical education equipment, addition of some new pieces for junior/intermediate students (e.g., badminton)

~early years' outdoor enhancements (commercial grade tricycles and such items for students to use on the black top)

~play bins for primary students to take outdoors to support creative play and building

~school tshirts to be used at track, cross country, etc. when we have multiple sports going on at the same time

~materials to support new clubs (e.g., WE/Social Justice, knitting club and other possible clubs based on mentor availability)

~nine projectors and document cameras for students to share work, making thinking visible still needed as many classrooms do not have; block rocker and microphone

~refreshing and upgrade of technology for junior and intermediate students (chromebooks, iPads, iPods for student documentation and to self assessment)

~learning materials (hands on for students) to support coding, French card games and board games

Today, you will be receiving an order form for our first school wide fundraiser (Montreal style wood fired bagels and challah). These will arrive in time before the Christmas holidays.

On the evening of our Celebration of Learning, we will also be kicking off a school wide Arbonne fundraiser in time for Christmas gift giving (or for yourself). Profits will go to our school. Please visit the sample table in the gymnasium the evening of our Celebration of Learning (adults please). You will be receiving an information sheet to go with this. We invite you to share it with family and friends near and far! That same night, our wonderful School Advisory Council is running a book fair for our school. NEW this year, our keen and hard working WE/Social Justice Club will be selling RAFIKIS (great stocking stuffers) to raise money for the Kenyan mamas as an investment in their future.

