

June is Citizenship Month



### School Motto

Every student,  
every day,  
a success in our  
community.

## Principal's Message

This is an exciting time of year with spring finally in the air and summer quickly approaching. A variety of events will be taking place in the month of June including Field Trips, Carnival, Arts Workshops, Tribes Day and Graduation for our grade 6 students.



Students will be working on their math exams this month and we wish them all the best!

Kindergarten open house will be held on June 7<sup>th</sup>. We encourage all families to attend as this is a fantastic opportunity for students to familiarize themselves with their new school!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful volunteers who have helped out at school throughout the year. From pizza day helpers to field trips and Home and School events, we truly appreciate everything you do!



A special thank you also goes out to our many student volunteers who go above and beyond every day to support our breakfast program, assemblies, and lunchtime programming.



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### KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

The Kindergarten Open House for the 2019-2020 students will be on Friday, June 7<sup>th</sup>. The schedule:

- 8:45 - 9:00 - 'Check-in' in the gym
- 9:00 - 9:20 - Welcome by Principal
- 9:20 - 9:40 - Tour of school
- 9:40 - 10:10 - Physical Literacy Activity + Special Performance
- 10:10 - 10:40 - Classroom visit
- 10:40 - 11:00 - Outside playtime

### FIELD TRIPS

- June 4<sup>th</sup> - Grade 1 trip to the Aviation Museum
- June 6<sup>th</sup> - Grade 5 trip to Upper Canada Village
- June 11<sup>th</sup> - Grade 4 trip to the Museum of Science and Technology
- June 14<sup>th</sup> - Grade 3 trip to Saunders Farm
- June 18<sup>th</sup> - Grade 6 trip to Mont Cascades



### LUNCH PROGRAMS

Please note that our Pizza Program will end on Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> and our Hot Meal Program will end on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> for this school year.

**If your child is in Grade 3 you should cancel your June 14<sup>th</sup> meal for a credit.**

Please make sure your child has a lunch every day.

We will be offering a pilot of lunch from "Subway" on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow.



From all of us here at  
Greater Gatineau...



## Events at School

### STUDENT VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON

On Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, we will be having a student volunteer luncheon for all the students who helped out with our food programs, lunch time program, end of day checkers and office helpers. Invitations will be sent out shortly to those students involved.

let's do  
**lunch**

### AFTERNOON OF PERFORMING ARTS

On Wednesday, June 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:50 p.m. Greater Gatineau School will be having their annual "Afternoon of Performing Arts" in the gym. Parents and students are welcome to come watch our talented students perform various acts from singing, dancing, skits and many more!



### TRIBES DAY

On Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be hosting a fun-filled "Tribes Day" during the morning. Students will be grouped into "Tribes" and will participate in some exciting games/challenges! Parents are welcome to come and join us.

## Parents Please Note

### GRADE 6 GRADUATION

We will be welcoming our grade 6 parents to the school on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, to take part in this year's graduation. The ceremony will be held in the gym promptly at 10:00. We ask parents to be seated by 9:45 a.m.

We suggest simple summer attire for the occasion. Students will be taking the buses home or they can leave with their parents

after the ceremony. Please advise Katharine in the office if you are taking them home upon your arrival. Advance notice is appreciated.

### REPORT CARDS, CALENDAR & SUPPLY LISTS

This year we will be mailing home the students report cards as well as other information pertaining to the 2019-2020 school year. We are planning to have everything in the mail on June 25<sup>th</sup>.

### SCHOOL REGISTRATION PACKAGES AND SCHOOL FEES

On Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, parents are invited to come in and pick up their child's registration packages, busing information, daycare registration forms and to pay their school fees for the 2019 - 2020 school year. More details will follow in our summer newsletter.

## Monthly Assembly

Our final assembly will be on Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, where we will give awards to students who have shown the chosen virtue throughout the month.

Please remember to wear pink or white to all of our monthly assemblies. These colours represent anti-

bullying and create a sense of community at school.

June is **CITIZENSHIP** month. We hope to see students showing us what great community members they are both at school and out in the larger community.



# Appreciations

## HOME & SCHOOL THANK YOU

How do we begin to thank our Home & School Committee for all the time and effort they have put into this year's events? Their contribution to our school community is immeasurable. The activities they plan really connect families and make the school a better place to visit. Their fundraising efforts add so much to the students' lives while they are here at school.

Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for a fantastic year. We look forward to seeing your ideas for next year.

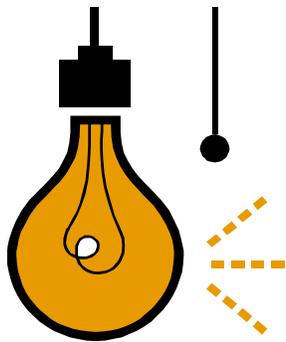


## SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Our students have been working with our coaches M. Lemaire and Ms. Cusin to prepare for the softball tournament at Poltimore Elementary School on June 6<sup>th</sup> (rain date June 7<sup>th</sup>).

## READING WEEK WINNERS

Congratulations to Alexandre L, Jenny T, Caitlyn HP, Zoe M, and Xavier L for winning the draws for the quote of the day challenges during reading week.



## For Your Attention

### REGISTERING OR LEAVING GREATER GATINEAU SCHOOL

If you have a younger child at home ready to start school or know of a friend, neighbour, or relative who has a kindergarten aged child, please contact the office at 819-663-4842 ext.1 and speak to Debbie Stafford as soon as possible.

As we prepare for next year, it is very important that you notify the school if you are moving. Please call

Katharine Andriano at 819-663-4842 ext. 0 with your change of address so we can update our files for transportation.

### LIBRARY CLOSED & LOST BOOK CHARGES

The library is now closed and students will no longer be able to sign out books from the library. If your child has a library book at home, please return it immediately, so that we can complete our inventory.

Also, we will be sending home a notice to those children who have outstanding books and if you can't find the book, please send back the amount of money that will be stated on the form.

### LIBRARY UPDATE

The library will be renovated over the summer. We are excited to enlarge and improve the space so we can spend more time enjoying the books we choose during our library sessions.

Some new shelving and furniture will make a great addition to the function of the library as well.



## Home & School

### Home and School's Year-end Carnival

This is it, our last event of the year is coming up fast. Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> is the end of year carnival. Join us from 4pm to 7pm for games, food, music, and a ton of fun! Mark your calendars and join us for a fun evening. If you are willing to give a few hours of your time to help out please email us, all help is always appreciated.

In case of rain, unfortunately the event will be cancelled. A "remind" message will be sent if this is the case. Please sign up for the free "Remind" app for important messages.

We want to thank everyone who participated in the online auction!!

We held our AGM in May and the next executive members were elected; Heather Phillips was elected vice-president, Marilyn Lavoie the membership chair. Congrats to all! We are still looking for a Secretary for next year's committee. Let us know if you are interested.

We can't wait to start planning fun events for next year. If you want to join in on the fun, please email us at [aghomeandschool@gmail.com](mailto:aghomeandschool@gmail.com)



## Daycare

Year-end celebrations will take place the last week of daycare.

The last day of daycare is Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. The WQSB does not run a summer daycare program so you will need to find alternate care for July and August.

A Daycare Survey went home with the April Newsletter and we are still waiting for some families to return their forms. This survey gives us a good idea

of how many children will require daycare next year. Please fill in your form and return it to school if you have not done so already.

Should you have any questions about our program or if you would like to receive the registration forms for our PD days, please do not hesitate to contact Jennifer by phone at (819) 643-6365 or e-mail [jpaxton@wasb.qc.ca](mailto:jpaxton@wasb.qc.ca).

## Cyber Tip

### Did you know?

Violence can be physical, but it can also be verbal, written, psychological or sexual. **Violence is much more than physically attacking a person.**

If someone acts with an intention to harm your psychological well-being, infringe your rights or damage your belongings, this is considered violence.

For more information on this and all the topics shared in the Cyber Tip section this year please check out the Educaloï website.

<https://www.educaloï.qc.ca/en/youth/capsules/cyberbullying>



## Tribes at Home

### CREATIVE STORYTELLING

Start by sitting in a circle around the dinner table or living room. The set-up is "we are going to make up a group story". The leader starts the story with a setting and characters.

Example "Once there was a family who were going on vacation. They couldn't decide where to go so they..."

Add to the story one or two sentences at a time. Each person takes a turn around the circle to add to the

story. Encourage everyone to listen to each other and be creative when it is their turn to add to the story.

You can decide to make it a funny story or a serious story in advance. Or you can let it take you where it wants as you go.

It can be an oral story that gets told once, or you can write it down and illustrate it afterwards so you can read it again.



## Special Notes

### MIME PRESENTATIONS

On June 5<sup>th</sup> Christiane Claude a local mime artist with years of experience will be working with the students from Kindergarten to Grade 6. The children will be inspired to express themselves through body language and facial expression.



### CULTURAL EDUCATION

On June 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> Sonia St. Michel, an experienced dance teacher, choreographer and performer will be leading Indian dance workshops for all the students at Greater Gatineau School.

The students will learn to create rhythms using foot work and nonverbal story telling using gestures of the hands. The students will have the opportunity to express themselves through dance.



### IMPORTANT UPDATES

Please don't forget to sign up for the **FREE remind app** for school (@ggsr) and daycare (@ggdaycare). It is a great way to keep on top of important reminders and announcements, such as school closure or bus cancellation.

Download the app or check out our website and follow the details on how to sign up.

# End of the Year

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