

## Home and school meeting, November 1st at GES

In attendance either in person or via Zoom call

Charlene Hebert, Mallory Peters, Stacy Toms, Kerri O'Brien, Jane Simmons, Santana Parsons, Sheryl O'Hanley, Dave Kerwin, Berni Oelkrug, Ariane Oelkrug, Jeanna Kernazitskas

### **2021 Home and School executive**

President Sarah Sampson

Vice President Charlene Hebert

Treasure Mallory Peters

Secretary Haley Zavo

District Advisory Council Rep Peggy McInnis

Mallory will reach out to Sarah to set up signing authority and bank appointments at Scotiabank and also to put into place the spreadsheet that was created for that purpose.

### **Motions Carried**

- Home and School will be purchasing 10 new chrome books for the school
- Home and School Federation annual fees will be paid

Currently \$7000 in the account

### **Principals report**

- Currently at 75 students up from 59
- Gloria(custodian)is a full 8 hours now and Lisa(reception) is 7 hours now
- 6.66 FTE
- 5.5 EA (32hrs)
- YSW(6hrs)-cut from last year
- Foundations are going well but there are many children within the school that are not reading at their grade levels. Teachers are working on strategies to improve this. Parents are encouraged to work on strategies at home to get books into the hands of the students and/or reading together.
- A new rotation will be taking place where students from the Grade 8 class will be spending some time within the students in the K-1 class.
- Volleyball is starting this week and once again GES will be a combined team with Southern Kings Consolidated.
- A new set of chrome books(20) are coming to the school. Home and school have committed to purchase an additional 10 chrome books to make a full class set.
- Concerns with unsupervised children's behaviour and actions towards other children at the school playground after school hours in the evenings and would like parents to be aware. There is nothing the principal or staff can do about it after school hours.
- Concerns with a lot of children coming to school on bikes/scooters without helmets.
- It's very important that children are at the school and in classrooms prepared for lessons for 9am. Many children are arriving late for school.
- Remembrance Day service and Orwell Corner field trip where great successes
- Christmas concerts will have to be done virtually again this year because of the covid regulations. At this time the Christmas fair will also be postponed for another year.

- The annual school turkey dinner will happen, no date has been announced yet. The school will be looking for help in donations of produce and volunteers for serving.
- School is requesting board games
- Mrs. O'hanley stressed to please don't hesitate to reach out to herself and the teachers if you have any questions or concerns but also to be mindful/respectful of the staffs work hours
- Unvaccinated teachers and staff are tested twice a week

## **Other initiatives**

### *Breakfast Program*

Breakfast program is going great. A request will be sent to the Breakfast club of Canada for additional bowls, spoons and possibly dishwasher.

Sheryl is going to look into getting the kitchen stovetop maintained.

Wymans Blueberries have donated 3 cases to the breakfast club.

If there is any parents interested in volunteering an hour (8:15-9:15am) a week please contact The school or Charlene Hebert/Santana Parsons

### *Home and School Parent Leadership Project and Pei Govt Community Catalyst Grant Application grants submitted*

- Home and school Parent Leadership Project. Application submission deadline November 30th
- Catalyst Grant Application with PEI Government submitted

Reaching out to local company Shiny Paint for Quotes

- new mascot/School sign for the front of the school
- Mural inside the school
- Mural on library windows

### *Possible fundraising efforts*

- "Chilli Love" in New Year (Jane/Peggy)
- Chocolate Bars in December (Students/Parents)
- Immediate Online fundraiser? (need volunteer/volunteers to take this on)

### *Follow up with Three Rivers Participation Award*

Georgetown Elementary was the only school that participated/contributed to the municipality winning this monetary award. Mallory will contact Special events and Recreation Coordinator Cathleen about the school receiving some of that funding.

New home and school email

Ges.peihomeandschool@gmail.com

*Next meeting will be held Wednesday December 1st @ 6pm at GES*