



GRAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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February 6, 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians:



Just like that we are in February! January was a busy month at school with settling back in, different field trips, and our annual Read All Day event. February has started off with a snowy, cold bang. Thank you for sending your children with all of their warm snow gear so that they can enjoy the rare opportunities to play in the snow. We have also been busy planning for basketball season, ski trips, and Black Excellence Month Celebration. There is a lot to look forward to this term and hopefully we will also start to notice the days getting longer as well soon. Please take a look at the school and district news below.

GRAY OWL SPIRIT WEAR RETURNS

We are very excited to announce that you can now order Gray Elementary Spirit Wear! The items being offered are Gildan t-shirts, crewneck sweatshirts and hoodies and they can be ordered in black or dark heather (gray). Once orders have been placed, you are not able to make changes or can refunds be provided so please order carefully. If you are unsure of sizing, please order the larger size so that your child can grow into it if need be. If you need assistance with paying for Spirit Wear, please let us know in the office and we can help with the cost of a t-shirt.

This year, orders will be placed [here](#). The deadline for orders is Wednesday, February 12th, 2025!



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2025/2026

A child may be registered to attend Kindergarten in September 2025 if their fifth birthday occurs on or before December 31, 2020.

There are two registration options available to parents. Parents may submit an application online through a MyEd Portal anytime between Feb 10th and Feb 21st or parents may submit an application in person on Wednesday, February 11th between 9:00 am and Noon. Either option is acceptable, as all applications will be given the same priority whether families choose to register in person or online.

[Click Here for More Information](#)

CLASS PHOTOS

Unfortunately, class photos had to be cancelled this week for a couple of different reasons. We will notify the school community as soon as they are rescheduled. Thank you in advance for your patience while we organize a new date.

PAC NEWS

- Happiness is yelling "Bingo!" The very popular PAC Bingo Night is back this month. Come and join us at the annual Gray Elementary Bingo Night on Thursday, February 20th. Doors open at 6:30 pm, with the first Bingo game starting at 7:00 pm. Pre-orders for concession are available on Munchalunch. To make this event successful, we need prize **donations**. We welcome corporate donations or any new, unused items you may wish to donate - some ideas include crafts, children's games, toys, gift cards - the possibilities are endless! Prizes can be sent to the school with your child or dropped off at the office before Wednesday, February 19th. Please see the attached flier for more information.



- Ordering for the next set of hot lunches is now open on Munchalunch! The dates are as follows and the deadline to put in your orders is **Sunday, February 9th**. Here is the link for easy reference: <https://www.munchalunch.com>

February 14 - Boston Pizza
February 28 - Subway
March 7 - Taco Del Mar
March 14 - Pizza Hut

GRADE 7 FUNDRAISER – LITTLE CEASARS PIZZA HOT LUNCH

The Grade 7's are sponsoring a Little Ceasars hot lunch on Thursday, February 20th to raise money for their year end celebration. The order forms for this hot lunch are due by **Monday, February 10th** at the latest. We have attached the order form to this email in case you have misplaced your form. You can also pick up an order form in the office if you need one.

UPDATE ABOUT LUNCHTIME

As all of you are undoubtedly aware of, construction of the new turf field outside is still in progress. The city is hoping to be done after Spring Break sometime. As a result of this construction, half of the students go outside to play while the other half eat their lunch. Halfway through lunchtime, the bell rings and the students switch. Starting on Monday, we will reverse which group goes out first and which group eats first. The primaries will now go outside to play first and the intermediates will eat first, then switch. We just wanted to let you all know about this upcoming change.

GRADE 5 SOCCER



There will be a meeting for Grade 5 students who play soccer outside this week. At this meeting we will share the school soccer rules that we have developed in consultation with our student referees. These referees will also be introduced to the students. We unfortunately had to pause soccer due to an increasing amount of extra competitive play. It is our hope that students will be able to play more safely with these rules in place and with referees close at hand to help the students play in an appropriate, casual way. The meeting will also be to remind them that school soccer is inclusive to all kids who want to play a fun, free flowing game. We would appreciate your support with reinforcing these conversations at home. Thank you!

FREE PARENT INFORMATION SESSIONS

Family Smart's lineup of FREE virtual events for February to March are open for registration. Please share with anyone who may be interested.

Virtual Event: **For Families: A Conversation About Eating Disorders**

Description: Knowing how to help our kids who are experiencing an eating disorder can be a terrifying, isolating and overwhelming experience. Learn about disordered eating, what to be aware of, the importance of connection, and strategies that help support recovery. Victoria Keddis hosts a conversation with Eating Disorders Therapist & Educator Carmen Kauffman, along with a mom and daughter with lived experience.

Registration: [FamilySmart - Events](#)

Dates: **February 5th 6:30pm-8pm**
February 20th 6:30pm-8pm

Virtual Event: **ADHD - The Real Deal**

Description: ADHD doesn't just affect the person with ADHD, it also affects those around them. As parents of kids living with ADHD, we can benefit from learning what ADHD is and how to support our kids. Dr. Duncan, Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, dispels some myths and explains how and why the ADHD brain works the way it does.

Registration: [FamilySmart - Events](#)

Dates: **February 6th 6:30pm-8pm**
February 19th 12pm-1:30pm
February 25th 6:30pm-8pm

Virtual Event: **Explosive Behaviour in Teens: Strategies to Empower Families**

Description: When our teens are showing up in explosive ways, we sometimes blame ourselves. Discover with us as a therapist explains some causes of explosive behaviour and strategies that support parents and teens. Victoria Keddis hosts a conversation with Kirk Shields-Priddy, MSW/RSW Group and Family Therapist with Fraser Health START Program.

Registration: [FamilySmart - Events](#)

Dates: **March 4th 6:30pm-8pm**
March 5th 6:30pm-8pm
March 6th 6:30pm-8pm
March 11th 6:30pm-8pm
March 12th 12:00pm-1:30pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, February 9 th	Last Day to Order Hot Lunches for the Rest of the Term
Monday, February 10 th	Kindergarten Registration Begins Last Day to Order Grade 7 Little Ceasars Hot Lunch
Thursday, February 17 th	Family Day Holiday
Thursday, February 20 th	Grade 7 Little Ceasars Hot Lunch PAC Bingo Night
Friday, February 21 st	Professional Day – No School

Respectfully,

Mr. J. Mann
Principal

Ms. T. Sohal
Vice Principal



Div. 17- Ms. Bhardwaj's Grade 2 class



GRAY PAC PRESENTS

BINGO NIGHT

This popular family event is a great opportunity to have lots of fun while supporting our school!

JOIN US ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

DOORS OPEN: 630PM / BINGO: 7PM

Concession available and lots of great prizes!

**Order through MAL
Deadline is Feb 14th**

GRADE 7 50/50! Grade 7's will be running a 50/50, so bring some cash - your odds are good!

VOLUNTEERS! We need your help to make this event a success! If you can spare an hour of your time to help, please email grayelementarypac@gmail.com

Grade 7 Fundraiser *Little Caesars Pizza* Lunch

Thursday, February 20, 2025

Please help our Grade 7's raise money for their end of year festivities!

** Please fill out and return this entire form (separate form for each child)
 payment (by exact cash or cheque payable to Gray Elementary)
 to the school **before 9:00am on Tuesday, Feb. 10th** **



*** Unfortunately, late orders cannot be accommodated ***

NAME

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6" Individual Pizza

<u>QTY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>\$ AMT</u>
_____	Cheese Pizza	\$6.00	\$ _____
_____	Pepperoni Pizza	\$6.00	\$ _____
_____	Hawaiian Pizza	\$6.00	\$ _____
_____	3 Meat Pizza	\$6.00	\$ _____
_____	Vegetarian Pizza	\$6.00	\$ _____

Sides and Snacks

_____	Crazy Bread - 2 Pieces	\$3.50	\$ _____
_____	Crazy Bread - 4 Pieces	\$4.50	\$ _____
_____	Dipping Sauce - BBQ Ranch	\$2.00	\$ _____
_____	Dipping Sauce - Creamy Garlic	\$2.00	\$ _____
_____	Dipping Sauce - Ranch	\$2.00	\$ _____
_____	Crazy Sauce	\$2.00	\$ _____
_____	Chocolate Chip Cookie	\$1.50	\$ _____

Drinks

_____	Orange Juice	\$1.50	\$ _____
_____	Apple Juice	\$1.50	\$ _____

ORDER TOTAL

\$ _____

Are you a Grade 7 parent and able to help? Please let us know!

Name: _____ Email: _____



Little Caesars