GRAY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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November 18, 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians:

<u>Be a Giant</u>



We recently had members of the Vancouver Giants join us at Gray for an assembly. It was an exciting time to meet the players and learn more about health and wellness and what they viewed as important characteristics in people.

Each student was challenged to focus on being kind and respectful to each other, our community and our environment. They were given a "report card" to work on and if they complete it, will receive a free ticket to a Giants game.

Health Check Reminders

Flu season is upon us and we ask that you continue to monitor your health and complete a daily health check. If your child/ren are not well, please have them stay home. All staff members at Gray also continue to do daily health checks and are encouraged to stay home until symptoms improve.

Traffic Safety

We are in fall with winter approaching and as a result it is darker sooner and the weather is turning. We implore families to utilize the drop off area on 80th Ave or park a little further away and have your students walk the remainder of the way. <u>Please do not let your children out of the car while waiting for the crossing guard</u>. We recently had a very close call where an adult and student were almost hit by a distracted driver. Please leave a couple of minutes earlier in the morning or take the time to find an appropriate place to drop off your child. We would much rather them arrive a little late and safely.

Grade 7 Bake Sale

The grade 7 students will be running the bake sale table at the Gray Christmas Market on December 2nd. The bake sale is a fundraiser for the 7th grade students to help offset the costs associated with their grad events and year end activities. The grade 7 students are asking for donations of goodies for the bake sale. All kinds of goodies are welcome. From sweet to savoury, homemade to store bought, the choice is yours and the bigger the variety, the better!

Any parent from any grade can donate and the grade 7 students very much appreciate your support.

Please click on this link to sign up to donate bake sale items, or volunteer your time. <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4DA4AF22A5FB6-45843659-</u> grade?fbclid=IwAR0bjRfXfGZi6rfPJfaKBa_fXZbwKJF6_wMg6NnSGTSI1k6swdUuRUn-DZ0#/

If there's any questions you can reach out to Sonja Gustavsen at sonjaeg@telus.net

Deltassist Toy Depot and Christmas Food Hamper Program

The Deltassist Toy Depot and Christmas Food Hamper programs are taking application from eligible Delta residents. Deadlines to apply are. Dec 8th for the Toy Depot and Dec 13th for the Food Hamper. Applications must be brought to the North Delta or South Delta office. More info can be found at

https://deltassist.com/community/deltassist-christmas-programs-information-and-registration

Family Movie Night

Movie night at Gray is coming up! Tickets are available on Munchalunch for Super Mario Bros playing in the gym on Friday, November 24th at 6:30pm. We hope to see you there! https://munchalunch.com/



Family Session: Establishing Safe, Caring, & Respectful Digital Communities

Recommended for Parents/Caregivers/Grandparents and youth aged 10 and up as a way to facilitate the conversation of safe and caring use of technology at home and in the community. This session covers all things digital, from how to be a good digital citizen, the criminal consequences of cyberbullying, and how to report and receive support in cases of sexting/sextortion.

Some of the most prominent concerns currently surrounding use of social media platforms, smartphones, and artificial intelligence will be discussed.

Students will learn:

- Digital media habits, oversharing, and digital addiction
- The permanence of online posts/activity

- The significance of your digital tattoo in how others perceive you (e.g., sports teams, college admissions, and potential employers)
- The importance of caring for peers both online and offline
- Geo-locational settings and the dangers of social media and cell phone misuse
- The social and legal consequences of cyberbullying behaviour as well as possession and distribution of intimate images (sexting and sextortion)
- An anonymous student reporting tool that can help you and your friends stay safe both online and offline

November 28, 2023 7:00pm – 8:00pm

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732343096917?aff=oddtdtcreator

November 30, 2023 6:30pm -7:30pm

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/732346587357?aff=oddtdtcreator

2023 Gray PAC Holiday Stockup Fundraiser

Gray Elementary PAC Holiday Stockup Fundraiser is back, so stock up on your usual favorites including Gift Cards, Purdys, Neufelds, and Delf. Please see the attachment on the website.

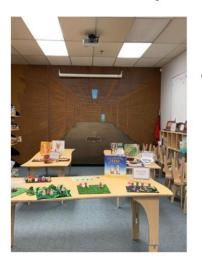


Thanks so much for your Support

Funds raised help Gray PAC Initiatives!

These are just some of the past initiatives that PAC has funded...

Bike Racks







Bottle Refilling Stations Chrome Carts and Charging Stations Classroom Funds **Community Events** Courtyard Classroom **Cultural Presentations Enrichment Activities Field Trips Gingerbread House Contest** Hardship Fund Library Upgrades Outdoor Equipment Playground Sensory Hallway Sports Jerseys Stream of Dreams











School Calendar

Wednesday, November 22 nd	PAC meeting at 7:00 pm in the library
Friday, November 24 th	Movie Night in the gym by the PAC
Monday, November 27 th	Professional Development Day (no school)
Thursday, November 30 th	Theme Day – Team Day, favourite Jersey, Gear or Hat
Friday, December 1 st	Gray's Annual Food Drive begins
Saturday, December 2 nd	PAC Winter Craft Fair
Wednesday, December 6 th	Grade 6 Frozen Yoghurt fundraiser
Thursday, December 14 th	Entrepreneur Fair

Respectfully,

Mr. J. Mann Principal Mrs. T. Sohal Vice Principal