

March 2021 Newsletter

Chelsea Elementary School

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Principal's Message

Hello Chelsea Elementary Parents and Guardians,

I'd like to welcome everyone back after the March Break. I hope you had time to slow down and enjoy family activities.

As we all come back to class, it's important to be vigilant about the COVID health measures. Please carefully review the COVID updates included with this newsletter and remember to check your child for symptoms daily before they leave for school.

The Quebec self-assessment tool can be found at:

<https://covid19.quebec.ca/surveys/cdd2/introduction>

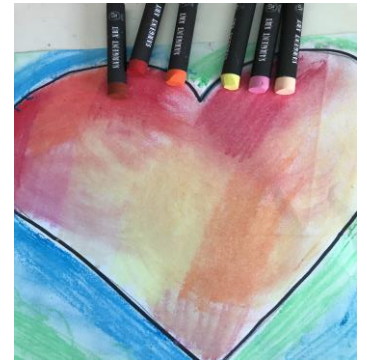
In March we are exploring and celebrating the value of creativity. Creativity is not linked solely to the arts; it is a mindset that allows students to think critically, generate ideas, and problem solve. It also promotes the acceptance of set-backs and mistakes as a natural part of the creative process. Please join us as we explore the value of creativity this month!

Nicely aligned with creativity is our Class Flag project. Each class is busy designing and creating a unique flag to represent their class. The selection of colours, patterns, and symbols invites each class to discuss their class values and strengths. The Flag project will allow each class to showcase their ideas and creativity as well as connect to a whole school project. These flags will be visible on our school website at the end of the month.

As snow melts and our yard turns wet and muddy, please ensure your child has proper outdoor gear for the conditions. An extra pair of socks in the backpack is always a good idea!

Wishing you a happy March,

Andrea Gage



Upcoming Events

March 1-5- March Break

March 10- Chelsea Stars Awards, 12:00 pm

March 17- St. Patrick's Day

March 18- Parenting During a Pandemic Virtual presentation 6:30 pm

-Governing Board Meeting 6:30 pm

March 19- PD Day

March 31 - Chelsea Stars Awards

Change of daily routine for any student:

In order to keep track of where children should be at the end of the day, we ask that parents send in a written note in the morning or an e-mail to:

chelseaattendance@wqsb.qc.ca

for any change. **Phones or e-mails will not be answered or checked after**

1:30 as last minute changes are difficult to manage. Thank you for your continued collaboration.

Lost and Found

Please join and watch the Instagram page [the.chelsea.island](https://www.instagram.com/the.chelsea.island) for anything that may belong to your child! I will also try to put together another video to get as many items home as possible. If you see anything that belongs to you, please reach out to saustin@wqsb.qc.ca

After School Program News:

The next P. D. Day is March 19th registration forms were due by March 10. Spring is in the air, and the school yard is getting wet! Please send extra mitts and socks with your child. Spring is also a time for growing and a number of students are coming to the office at the end of each day for snacks. Please pack an extra snack and remind your child to save a snack for daycare time!

COVID PROTOCOLS

Parents are reminded to ensure their child is symptom free before sending them to school each day. The Covid-19 self-assessment tool should be used to help guide the decision to stay home or seek medical advice- <http://www.quebec.ca/en/health/health-issues/a-z/2019-coronavirus/covid-19-symptom-self-assessment-tool/>

Any child that is sent home from school will receive an attestation form for parents; this attestation must be completed and returned with the child when public health recommendations have been followed.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REVISIONS TO THE PROTOCOLS:

- Headache is being considered as a symptom for which children will need to be picked up from school
- If a child is sent home from school for symptoms, siblings must also go home
- While awaiting a test result, ALL THOSE LIVING UNDER THE SAME ROOF MUST REMAIN IN ISOLATION UNTIL A NEGATIVE TEST RESULT IS RECEIVED
- If a parent chooses not to test a child following the recommendation to do so by public health, THE STUDENT MUST BE ISOLATED FOR 10 DAYS FROM ONSET OF SYMPTOM AND ALL THOSE LIVING UNDER THE SAME ROOF MUST QUARENTINE FOR 14 DAYS.

School Fees Reminder

If you have not already paid school fees, please contact the office to make arrangements to do so. Fees can be paid in person by making an appointment or over the phone with Visa or Mastercard. Please contact Margaret Burns for more information at mburns@wqsb.qc.ca

Appointments/Late arrivals:

We ask that parents notify the school by leaving a message or e-mailing when you know that your child will be late or has an appointment. You can reach Ms. Adele at 819-827-0245 or e-mail her at: chelseaattendance@wqsb.qc.ca

Picnic Table Thank you

The Home and School Association provided the school with 4 new wooden picnics tables! Not only will these be great additions to our yard for use during recess and class time, they have proven to be an excellent extension project! Several teams of students have had the opportunity to build these tables putting their building skills to great use. Appreciation also goes out to Mr. Andrew who was happy to oversee and support the building teams.



Home and School Association March News

Please refer to our H&S newsletter for full details on all our news and events! To get in touch with us contact: chelseahands15@gmail.com

Butterflies are on their way! See Newsletter to know more!

Thank you to all the parents that helped make Staff Appreciation Week (SAW) a huge success!!!

Stay tuned for upcoming Chelsea Spirit Wear!

Reminders:

Don't forget the deadline to order Purdy's Chocolate in time for Easter is **March 16th!**

Enter your email address here:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/join.aspx/1313443-83354>

Our next meeting is April 7th at 7p.m.

Our AGM will be held May 26th at 7p.m.



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 MARCH BREAK!	2 MARCH BREAK!	3 MARCH BREAK!	4 MARCH BREAK!	5 MARCH BREAK!
8 7 pm OLC meeting	9	10 Chelsea Stars Assembly Empathy- 12:00 pm	11	12
15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 GB meeting 6:30 pm Parenting in a Pandemic- virtual presentation 6:30 pm	19 PD Day
22	23	24	25	26
29	30 ABVP 3 pm	31 Chelsea Stars AWARDS and Flag sharing		

