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Gateway Middle School Newsletter

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Take Care of Each Other

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Principal
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Vice Principal

Principal's Message

November is here, and with it comes an opportunity to reflect on the importance of gratitude, respect, community, and connection.

On November 6th, Gateway will hold a special Remembrance Day assembly to honour the brave men and women who have served and sacrificed for our country. This is an important opportunity for our students to reflect on the freedoms we enjoy and the significance of remembering those who have served.

Our students and staff will enjoy a well-deserved break from November 9th - 13th. When we return, we look forward to celebrating Métis Week from November 16th - 20th. Throughout the week, students will have opportunities to learn about and celebrate the rich history, culture, and contributions of Métis people.

One of the highlights will be our Métis Friendship Lunch on November 19th, bringing staff and students together to share a meal and celebrate community, culture, and connection.

As we move further into the school year, I want to thank our students, staff, and families for continuing to make Gateway such a welcoming and supportive place to learn. We are proud of the relationships we build, the opportunities we provide, and the high expectations we hold for our students. Every day, we strive to make Gateway a school where everyone feels valued, connected, and encouraged to do their best.

Thank you for your continued support, and let's keep taking care of each other!

Mrs. Angela Ellis

In this newsletter you can expect:

- Beef Jerky Fundraiser
- Gateway Marathon Top Finishers
- November Break
- Metis Week
- Extra Curricular News
- Remembrance Day
- Parent-Teacher Interviews

We acknowledge that we are on Treaty 6 Territory and the Homeland of the Métis. We are grateful to live, learn, and work on this land, and we honor the First Nations and Métis peoples who have cared for it for generations.

Cowboy's Caviar (Beef Jerky) Fundraiser



Cowboy's Caviar Fundraiser materials will be sent home on Wednesday, **Nov. 4th**, and the fundraising window will remain open until Wednesday, **Nov. 18th**. Our beef jerky orders will arrive before Christmas break.

Students will receive one entry for every bag they sell for individual prizes, and top 10 sellers in the school will receive an additional prize!

All profits from this fundraiser will be used to subsidize school trips, guest presenters, extra-curricular clubs, mentorship program, and specialized academic equipment such as Viewboards for our classrooms.

Remembrance Day Service

Gateway's Remembrance Day Service will be held on Friday, **Nov. 6 at 10:00 a.m**. in the gym. Each classroom will participate in a wreath presentation, and we warmly invite all parents to join us for this service. Students are asked to bring a donation for their poppies.

Tim Hortons Classrooms

The Tim Hortons Classrooms Program will be visiting Gateway from November 3–6 to work with our Grade 5/6 classes. Students will participate in fun, engaging activities focused on building social skills, teamwork, and positive relationships with their peers.

November Break

There will be no school from **November 9 – 13.** We hope everyone enjoys the extra time to rest, recharge, and spend time with family and friends!

Parent-Teacher Interviews

We look forward to meeting with you **November 3rd** and **4th** from 4:00-6:30 PM.

Scholastic Book Fair

A Scholastic Book Fair will be taking place at the school from **November 3–5**! Students will have the opportunity to shop during the school day, and families can also visit the Book Fair during Parent-Teacher Interview evenings.

Griffin Athletics

Congratulations to our **Volleyball** and **Smashball** teams and coaches on a successful season! Your hard work, dedication, and teamwork have truly shone through, and we're proud of all you've accomplished!

Basketball

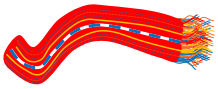
We will be having a short break in our extra-curricular sports programs, but Basketball season will be here before we know it! Our Junior program will start near the end of November and our Grade 5/6 program will begin after the Christmas break.

We are currently looking for coaches for our Junior B programs. If you are interested, please call Angela Ellis at the school.

The Grub Box

Tired of Making Lunches?
Students can order a hot lunch for $7 per entrée (cash accepted daily) or purchase a punch pass for $35 (5 meals) at the front office or through School Cash Online.

Métis Week



Gateway School is excited to celebrate Métis Week from November 16-20! Students will have the opportunity to participate in engaging activities that honor Métis culture, history, and traditions.
Louis Riel Day- Nov. 16
Rock Your Mocs- Nov. 17
Metis Friendship Lunch- Nov. 19

Marathon Wrap Up



Thank you to everyone who participated in and supported our Gateway Marathon fundraiser! Together, we raised over $11,000, which will go directly toward supporting our students throughout the year.

Homework Club



Beginning in November, Homework Club will run on Thursdays at noon in the tech lab. This is a great opportunity for students to bring unfinished assignments, work on completing their tasks, and receive extra help from a teacher if needed.

Dress for the Weather!



As the temperatures continue to drop, please ensure students come to school dressed for the weather. Warm coats, hats, mittens, and appropriate footwear are important for staying comfortable and safe during outdoor breaks.

Gateway Marathon Top 30 Finishers:

1. Wilson B.
2. Oakleigh M.
3. Kendrick P.
4. Levi L.
5. Charles C.
6. Atley H.
7. Kael M.
8. Easton H.
9. Kayd R.
10. Liam L.
11. Stetson S.
12. Layla S.
13. Carson M.
14. Drew M.
15. Ian M.
16. Stephanie P.
17. Mrs. Oystrick
18. Alaina F.
19. Axel K.
20. Myla G.
21. Rylan L.
22. Wyatt F.
23. Jaden D.
24. Kara L.
25. Keifer A.
26. Ethan L.
27. Chase N.
28. Kaleb Sc.
29. Beckson S.
30. Dixie K.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Day 6	3 Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00-6:30 Day 1	4 Parent Teacher Interviews 4:00-6:30 Day 2	5 Day 3	6 Remembrance Day Service- 10AM Day 4	7
8 INDIGENOUS VETERAN'S DAY	9	10	11 REMEMBRANCE DAY	12	13	14
15 METIS WEEK -->	16 Louis Riel Day Day 5	17 Rock Your Mocs Day 6	18 Day 1	19 Metis Friendship Lunch Day 2	20 Day 3	21
22	23 Day 4	24 Day 5	25 Day 6	26 Day 1	27 Day 2	28
29	30 Day 3					

← Scholastic Book Fair →

NOVEMBER BREAK- NO SCHOOL