

# Millgrove School

## Newsletter

November 2020

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It has been another wonderful month at Millgrove with many great learning opportunities for our students. Our online parent teacher interviews were well attended and we have received positive feedback. Although we missed seeing you all in person, we were pleased with the participation and involvement.

Our Halloween celebrations looked a little different but fun was had by all. A google meet, organized by Mr. Cherry and Mrs. Davies, allowed students to see one another in their costumes and participate in the Monster Mash dance.

Our Remembrance Day celebration has been planned, and although we are unable to assemble in the gym, we will be putting together a video that will follow the program we have used in past

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years. The video will be viewed school wide at 10:30 am on November 6. Our traditional honor guard will be recognized through photographs, and we are encouraging parents and students to send photos of themselves involved in activities that serve our community.

Our School Foundation met for the first time and a special thank you to Jody Bergey who did an outstanding job during her time as the Foundation president. Her leadership skills benefited all of our students. Thank you to our terrific new executive who has already met and begun organizing hot lunch, milk and fundraising.

A reminder that our students will play outside unless the temperature drops below -23 degrees celsius so be sure to send warm clothing.

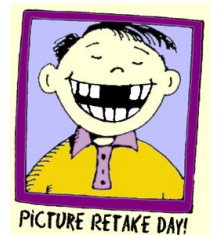
Fall Break is scheduled for November 9 through to November 13, with students returning to school on November 16. The break is a wonderful time for everyone to rest, relax and to maintain physical and emotional health. On behalf of Millgrove staff, I wish each of you a safe and relaxing Fall Break.

Respectfully,

L. Madge-Arkininstall

## Picture Retakes

Picture retake day is on **Tuesday, November 3rd**. Please let your homeroom teacher know if you'd like your child to get a retake picture. There's no need to return the proof sheet.



Retake proofs will be available online the week of November 8-13. This is your opportunity to get FREE SHIPPING to the school so please don't delay in ordering your photos. If you haven't had a chance to order the original picture day photo, this would be the last chance to get in on free shipping. One week after online photos are available to you, the free shipping ends and your options will be to pick up pictures at the Smart Photography Studio or pay for shipping service to your home.

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For students that were absent on our first picture day, you will receive a proof sheet on retake day.

**Online Students** - please arrive between 11:15-12:00 if you would like a retake.

## Remembrance Day Service

Millgrove is proud to be putting together a video for our Remembrance Day Ceremony which will be available to Millgrove families on our **website** at **10:30 am on November 6th**.

Please join us virtually to honour the men and women who have served and continue to serve Canada during times of war, conflict and peace.



## Kindergarten Parent Teacher Interviews

Kindergarten Parent Teacher Interviews will be held virtually using Google Meet from **4-7pm on Thursday, November 5** and from **9-3:45pm on Friday, November 6**.

Visit our [website](#) to book your interview time.

## Character Education

Our Character Education Program this year will focus on the physical, social/emotional health, and wellness of the students. We will focus on creating a whole school common language, such as, "Are those hurtful or helpful words?"

The character trait for the month of November will be **Friendship**.

**Friendship** is a special relationship between people who enjoy being together.

How can I be a good friend?

Friends are the Sunshine of Life!



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## Millgrove School Council



Our meeting on **Wednesday, October 28** was moved to an online format and was well attended. Our **next meeting** is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 2nd**.

## Millgrove School Foundation

Hello Millgrove Families! We recently held our AGM and voted in a great group of people for the upcoming school year. I would like to welcome some new faces: Joella Anderson, Jamie Stewart-Normand and myself Allison Chuey to the Foundation. And welcome back Jody Bergey, Jackie Christensen, Denise Liviniuk and Dayla Cochrane.

We are planning to have the Milk and Hot Lunch Program up and running for the week of **November 16, 2020**. The milk program will look different this year due to Covid. We will be doing online ordering similar to the hot lunch program. For anyone that had milk tickets left over from last year we will be able to honour these as well. We will be looking for volunteers for both programs, if you're interested please email [millgrovescfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:millgrovescfoundation@gmail.com).

Fundraising information will also be coming out in November. More details to follow.

Our **next meeting** is **Tuesday, November 17 at 6:30pm**. We will meet in the conference room at the school. I hope to see you there!

Allison Chuey

Millgrove School Community Foundation President



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## COVID-19 Protocols - watch for the update!

Our [website](#) is always the best source for the newest information. If your child is sick please refer to our [Stay at Home Guide](#) for the most recent update. Thank you for your continued support.

## Library News

Millgrove School is excited to have an **online Scholastic Book Fair** booked from **November 17, 2020 to November 30, 2020**. All books purchased earn Book Fair Rewards for our school. Orders are delivered right to your home. Free Standard Shipping on orders over \$35.00. You can access the link below during our Book Fair dates to purchase your books. Thank you so much for your support!!!!

<https://bookfairs-canada.myshopify.com/pages/5150923>

## Office News

### Student Absence Line



If your child is away for any reason, it is very important to contact our school to report your child's absence. This helps us to complete our daily attendance as quickly as possible to ensure everyone arrives safely. Call 780-962-6122 ext. 1 to leave a message OR email us at [millgrove@psd70.ab.ca](mailto:millgrove@psd70.ab.ca) Thank you!

## November Happenings

Whole School

November 3 - Picture retake day

November 6 - Dress Fancy day

November 6 - Remembrance Day Service video viewed at 10:30

November 5 (evening) and November 6 (day) - Kindergarten parent teacher interviews

November 9-13 Fall Break

November 16 - Scholastic on-line book fair

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## Parkland School Division - Strong Families Newsletter

Please read our [Strong Families newsletter](#) for this month. Inside, you will find information about anxiety, great community connections, and a [link to register](#) for our Strong Families session on **November 24th** with psychologist Jennifer Harris.

For more information, please contact:

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