



Thank you to the Millgrove community for your grace and kindness. As we experienced our first COVID case our families were considerate, understanding and supportive. Although we will not be having our traditional Christmas concerts or caroling in the gym we will still be creating an environment of joyful celebration. Our tree is up in the library, our lights are on in the hallway, and for the month of December we play cheerful holiday music some mornings as the students arrive.

Kinnette's Hamper Donations and our Giving Tree

A note will be sent home explaining how each classroom can contribute. As well, our character education committee will be sharing information with families regarding donations of mittens, socks and scarves to be hung on our tree in the library.

Report Cards

Grades 1-4 report cards will be available online Thursday, December 4 at 3:00 pm.

Access to more information in Powerschool

Within powerschool parents/guardians of students in grades 1-4 will be able to view not only attendance and report cards but also assignments, tests, marks. The I.P.P.'s that were done digitally will also be online - we are slowly moving to this format for I.P.P.'s.

Rainbows

Beginning Monday, December 7 we will be running four separate rainbows programs. Each group will consist of 5 students from grades K-4 and they will meet one day a week over the lunch hour. Rainbows is an internationally renowned peer support group for students who have experienced a loss through separation, divorce or death of someone close or some other painful loss for the family. Our facilitators have been trained and follow a well laid out instructional guide.

Stakeholder Engagement Evening

The evening was scheduled for December 10 however it has been rescheduled to February. More details will be available closer to the date.

Christmas Holiday and Online Learning

Our Christmas break is from December 19-January 3 then on January 4 our students will move to an online platform. Teachers will send details of expectations prior to the start of school.

Library

Millgrove School had its first online Scholastic Book Fair and 208 books were purchased. We receive 20% of the profits for our school library and Mrs. Smith was pleased with the participation.

Thank you

I continue to be impressed with the responsibility each one of your children shows as they follow all of the expectations and safety protocols. Our school environment is one of calm, meaningful engagement, and well-being. Your children arrive prepared and enthusiastic and I thank **you** for your commitment! May the holiday season be one of precious family time and fun.

With Gratitude,

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