

EDWARD MURPHY SCHOOL

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Parent Teacher Meetings

Term 1 Parent Teacher meetings will be held, in person, on **Thursday, November 20th from 3pm to 5pm and from 6pm to 9pm.**

A letter with all of the details regarding the evening will be sent later in the month. Included in the letter will be a link to be used to schedule your appointment time with your child/children's teacher(s). Please ensure you select the teacher you want to meet with before confirming a time.

We ask that you make every effort to attend this very important evening. IEPs will also be distributed at this time. Report cards will be available for download on Mozaik at 8am on November 20th. If you haven't already done so, please create a Mozaik account.

[Mozaik English](#)
[Mozaik French](#)



Morning Arrivals



A gentle reminder about the importance of arriving at school on time each morning

When students start their day promptly, they benefit from a calm and structured beginning, which sets the tone for successful learning. Morning routines, such as greetings, announcements, and early activities, are essential for preparing for the day ahead.

Late arrivals can disrupt not only your child's learning but also the flow of the classroom. Being on time helps children feel confident, organized, and ready to engage.

We appreciate your efforts in supporting punctuality and helping your child develop habits that contribute to their success both in school and beyond.

Medication

Parents are reminded that we cannot administer medication to students without the appropriate documentation and procedures. Please see page 6 of the agenda for all the details.

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Sox in a Box Campaign

Edward Murphy school is proud to join 6 fellow East End elementary schools in the **Sox in a Box** charity campaign. The charity campaign is led by a team of Personal Development Community Involvement Animators.

The purpose of this project is to encourage students and staff to donate new socks (for both children and adults) to benefit four local organizations: Old Brewery Mission, Sun Youth, Chez Doris, and Dans La Rue. Over the past 12 years more than 175,000 pairs of socks have been collected and distributed to those in need across the Greater Montreal area.

Students are encouraged to bring in socks starting November 10th through to December 5th. The Homeroom class that collects the most pairs of socks will receive a special surprise treat.

Grade 5&6 students will also receive presentations to help better understand the realities of homelessness in Montreal and the mental health challenges that often accompany it, while inspiring compassion and social awareness.



Cyber Safety

As part of its ongoing Cyber Safety initiative, the EMSB has provided some important resources on security awareness for parents:

- [Keep the kids in your life cyber safe: a checklist - Get Cyber Safe](#)
- [Real examples of fake emails - Get Cyber Safe](#)
- [The 7 red flags of phishing - Get Cyber Safe](#)
- [Cyber Security Ontario: K-12 Zone | Cyber Security Ontario](https://cybersecurityontario.gov.on.ca/repo/K-12/Game/Spot-the-Scam/story.html) (includes age-based interactive games like "Spot the scam" (<https://cybersecurityontario.gov.on.ca/repo/K-12/Game/Spot-the-Scam/story.html>))

Organizations we are supporting with the Sox in a Box campaign:



[Chez Doris](#)
[Old Brewery Mission](#)
[Sun Youth](#)
[Dans La Rue](#)

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Thank You!

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the parents of the PPO for creating a truly spook-tacular Haunted House on Halloween. Not only did they organize, decorate, and create the Haunted House, many parents spent the day in the Library ensuring all the student had a frightfully fantastic experience.



Social Media

Follow us on social media for photos, videos, news, and more:



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Winter Clothing

As the colder weather settles in, we kindly ask that you ensure your child is dressed appropriately for outdoor play. Students spend a minimum of 60 minutes outside each day, and proper outerwear, such as warm coats, hats, mittens, snow pants, and waterproof boots, is essential for their comfort and safety.

With the first snowfall approaching, please note the following requirements:

- Winter boots must be worn to school.
- Indoor shoes are required and must be kept at school.
- Indoor shoes must be closed at the back—Crocs and open-back footwear are not permitted for safety reasons.

