



Great Village Elementary School

November Newsletter



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WHAT TO WEAR? WHAT TO WEAR?

Unless special circumstances occur, students are outside at recess and noon. On cold weather days, the younger students will be asked to wear the "winter wear" they bring to school when going outside to play. Older students are expected to be responsible to dress appropriately for their personal needs.



BREAKFAST, LUNCH & SNACKS

All schools receive funding through the Department of Education to support offering a breakfast program. Our school day begins shortly after the busses arrive, so it is not practical to have a formal breakfast program each day. There is a selection of snacks (e.g. granola bars, apple sauce, yogurt tubes, raisins) to offer students who indicate that they have not had the opportunity to have breakfast.

We appreciate the volunteers who have made it possible to offer Classroom Café. We recently received a \$500.00 donation from the Masons (63 Corinthian Lodge) in support of this program.

A friendly reminder that there are students who have food allergies at our school, and in keeping with the Health and Nutrition policy, it is requested that parents do not send class treats to school unless the snack is fresh fruits or vegetables.

REMEMBRANCE DAY

We were fortunate to be invited to share in the Remembrance Day Service with students at West Colchester Consolidated School. Although it was disappointing not to be able to be on the playground with the WCCS students or to have the service at the Memorial Park, it was still a positive experience. Our school performed a medley of "Down by the Riverside" and "Peace Like a River". This outstanding performance lit up the audience, in particular Legion members in attendance. We appreciate Zachary Best and Shyla Jordan for placing a wreath on behalf of our school during the Remembrance Day services in our communities.

EDDIE'S LITTERLESS ROADSHOW

Students enjoyed a presentation from a supercat, Eddie, who shared a very important message about putting garbage where it belongs. On our school playground, students are responsible to put wrappers in the garbage before going to play on the equipment.

READING & WRITING

Students at all grade levels have had the opportunity to participate in the Home Reading/Writing Program. The purpose of this program is for students to practice reading and writing regularly at home. Students also have the opportunity to demonstrate being responsible by returning the reading bags each week. When returned on December 5, reading bags will remain at school until January, but students are still encouraged to find time at home for reading and writing practice.

Our school received a donation of \$2080.00, funds raised in memory of Doug Peppard, to support literacy activities. Mr. Peppard attended Great Village School, and was an avid reader. Great grandchildren, Bria & Ava Tanner, are currently students at our school. Last month a portion of this donation was used to allow each student to select a book from the Scholastic Book Order to add to the classroom library. This month, the books arrived! Students gathered in the gymnasium to share their choice with a reading buddy. Magazine subscriptions have also been ordered for each classroom.

CREATIVE KAYLEE!

Congratulations to Kaylee Murphy who won a contest through Scholastic for her invention of a machine that could turn bananas into popsicles! For her creativity, Kaylee won an impressive prize package that included 36 books for her classroom! Way to go Kaylee!

TUNED IN

A new electric keyboard has arrived in our music classroom. Mr. Black is delighted with the sound quality and is very pleased to have the keyboard in time to accompany students as they prepare for our concert. Appreciation is expressed to the Home & School for providing the funds to purchase this instrument.

Be sure to refer to the school calendar for the special events taking place this in December.