



Michelangelo International Elementary School



March 2022

February 25, 2022

Dear Parents,

CARNIVAL DAY

The "Cabane à Sucre Meal" and Carnival Day was a great success! Thank you to all the staff who made the day lots of fun. A special thank you to Mr. Mario and Ms. Sandra for all their hard work in organizing such a great day!

MARCH BREAK

The March Break begins on Monday, February 28, 2022 and ends Friday, March 4, 2022. The school will be closed and there will be no Daycare during the March Break. Please be reminded that there will be a **pedagogical day on March 7, 2022**. Daycare is open as usual. School resumes on Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

HOCKEY RAFFLE

We are raffling off two (2) hockey tickets for the Montreal Canadiens VS Seattle Kraken game on Saturday, March 12, 2022. Raffle tickets will be sold until the morning of Tuesday, March 8, 2022. The cost for each raffle ticket is \$5.00. Please send your money in a sealed envelope (Ziploc bag) labelled with your child's name. All money raised will go towards activities for the students. The draw will take place on Tuesday, March 8, 2022.

GRADUATION PICTURES

Graduation pictures for students in PreK, Kindergarten and Grade 6 will take place on March 30, 2022 and March 31, 2022. The Grade 6 photo session will take place on Wednesday, March 30th and the PreK and Kindergarten photos will be on Thursday, March 31st.

GRADE 4 VACCINATION

Nurses from the CIUSSS de L'Est de Ile will be here on Wednesday, March 9, 2022 for the Grade 4 Vaccinations. Information pamphlets and consent forms were sent to parents before the March Break. Please ensure that your child wears a t-shirt that day, and that he/she eats a good breakfast. Students getting vaccinated can also bring a stuffy to comfort them during the vaccination. The rest of the day, the stuffy will have to stay in their school bag.

BUS SAFETY

The safety and well-being of our students is always a priority at Michelangelo International School. We remind parents to respect road etiquette and laws around the school zone. **Parents should NOT be crossing the bus lines (walking on the sidewalk in front of the busses) when students are boarding or getting off the busses. Parents are also asked to wait behind the buses until their "ARRET" sign have been taken down.** Honking at the bus driver or yelling at the teachers on Bus Duty will not make the children get off the busses any quicker, and it is not appreciated. Everyone is working together to ensure the safety of the children, we would welcome your cooperation in this matter.

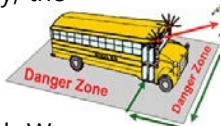
DROPPING OFF/PICKING UP STUDENTS

It has come to our attention that some parents are parking their vehicles on a slant at the corners when dropping off and picking up their children. Please refrain from blocking these areas or from double parking, so that those who are walking to school are able to walk on the sidewalk and cross the street safely. Although we understand that there are many people around the school at this time, we need to be mindful of the safety of all students and parents during these rush hours.

Morning Entry begins at 8:47 and ends at 8:52. This is signaled by a bell to begin and end Morning Entry. The bell rings both inside and outside for all to hear. With the exception of parents dropping off their children at Daycare, students should not be in the school yard before 8:47. The teachers are outside on supervision from 8:47 to 8:52. We ask that you drop off your children between these times. The gate is closed at 8:52 and any late students are to come to the Main Office door to come in.

WATER FOUNTAINS

The students are allowed to drink from the water fountains. Although it is perfectly safe, we still encourage students to bring their own refillable water bottles from home. Our fountains are equipped with bottle filler, so reusable water bottles can be easily refilled.



WINTER/SPRING OUTDOOR WEAR

Spring may be around the corner, but it is still Winter. Our school yard is still covered in snow and the cold and wet weather still requires proper Winter attire. Warm outerwear is a must. We want our students to be warm and dry all day.

MARCH BINGO LITERACY CHALLENGE

We will be celebrating and encouraging literacy in the month of March with a Bingo Literacy Challenge. Students will have from Monday, March 14th to Friday, April 1st to complete the challenge. The challenges will mostly be done at home and we encourage you to join in on the fun with your child(ren). All children who participate in the challenge and return their completed bingo cards to us by April 1, 2022 will be entered to win a prize. Prizes will be awarded by grade level.

ST. PATRICKS DAY

To celebrate St. Patrick's Day, students will be allowed to wear green (tops, pants, dresses, skirts) on Thursday, March 17th, 2022 for a \$2.00 contribution. All money raised will go towards student activities.

PROCEDURAL MASKS FOR STUDENTS

As you are aware, the government has announced that as of March 8th, 2022, elementary students will no longer have to wear masks while in the classroom. They will still have to wear masks in common areas (hallways) as well as on the school bus. While Pre-K and Kindergarten still do not have to wear masks in school, ALL students taking the school bus MUST wear a procedural mask. The school will continue to provide the students with masks to wear while in common areas. Your child will continue to have a mask in his/her agenda to use when coming into school (and the school bus) in the morning.

IB News – Grade 6

The students in grade 6 are working hard on their IB Exhibition research. They are very excited to embark on this wonderful journey which is a culmination of what they have learned throughout the Primary Years Programme (PYP). They have started meeting with their mentors once a week to discuss their progress.

The Grade 6 Exhibition will be held on April 13th. More details will follow.

Sincerely,

Marisa Mineiro
Principal

Jennifer Martins
Vice-Principal



MICHELANGELO DAYCARE **MARCH NEWS & REMINDERS**

Tax Receipts: ALL tax receipts for Daycare and Lunch supervision were issued and sent out to everyone before the March break through the Mozaik portal. Instructions on how to access them was emailed to all parents as well. Please follow the instructions carefully. A reminder that each parent who has made a payment needs to log in with their own email to retrieve their tax receipt. For any issues please contact the help desk as instructed in the previous letter. You can also send me an email to with your child's name and a description of the issue and I will look into the matter upon our return to school after the March break.

Upcoming Ped days:

- ✚ **Monday March 7th, 2022 is a Ped day.** In school – St Patrick's Green day theme. Registrations for this Ped day were due Feb 18th, 2022. We are not accepting any late registrations. For those that are registered don't forget to wear something green, bring your lunch and water bottle, and don't forget shoes!
- ✚ Upcoming Ped day: **Thursday April 14th, 2022** – *information will be sent out by March 20th, 2022*
-Due date for permission slips will be: April 1st, 2022.

Wishing everyone a wonderful March break!



