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Winter Break is fast approaching, and our students are certainly eagerly awaiting a decent snow fall so that they can build some creative sculptures outside. We have a number of Spirit days and events planned for December, please see them below. On Wednesday December 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:30 to 6:00pm, our school will be open for a family craft, dance, Hockey night(gym), and café. Please come and join us for this festive event.

Courtland Families, we at Courtland Public School wish you all a happy holiday and a memorable New Year. Please take the time to relax, enjoy family, and celebrate.

**Important Dates:**

Tuesday November 30 <sup>th</sup>	Poinsettia forms due Intermediate Girls Volleyball Tournament
Thursday December 1 <sup>st</sup>	MacMillan Order Pick Up: 3:30-5:00
Friday December 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Colour House Day
Monday December 5 <sup>th</sup> to 9 <sup>th</sup>	Candy Gram Sales, 50 cents each
Wednesday December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Intermediate Boys Volleyball Tournament
Thursday December 8 <sup>th</sup>	Poinsettia and Jenson Cheese Order Pick up 3:30-5:00
Monday December 12 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup>	Food Drive
Monday December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Comfy Clothes Day
Tuesday December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Holiday Hat Day Holiday Shopping Room
Wednesday December 21 <sup>st</sup>	Grinch Character Day Winter Craft Night Open House: 4:30-6:00pm
Thursday December 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Courtland Turkey Lunch for students Festive Sweater Day
Friday December 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Last day before Winter Break Red and Green Day Christmas Mug Exchange: Junior/Intermediate Students
Monday January 9 <sup>th</sup>	Return to School
Monday January 16 <sup>th</sup>	PA Day

**Fundraising:** Fundraising is always optional for your family. We have a number of fundraising opportunities this year that COPE and our school will be hosting. Our two primary goals this year for fundraising are the Nutrition Program and the Learning Commons Project (Renovation of our library).

**November/December:** Jenson's Cheese(Nutrition Program), Country Home Candles(COPE), Poinsettias(COPE)

**January/February:** World of Chocolate (School: Learning Commons)

**June:** Father's Day Dominoes

## Character Education

### December



## Facebook:

In order to locate the page, in your Facebook, type in the Facebook Search bar "@CourtlandPublicSchool", you will see the images below, then click "follow."



## **Parents – Donations Needed**

We are looking for gently used and new items for our Holiday Shopping Room. We need items that would make a good gift for a child to buy for an adult. Your unwanted items could become someone's holiday treasure. We are also looking for wrapping paper, gift bags and tissue paper. Please bring any donations to the office during the month of November. All proceeds to benefit Courtland Public School student council. Thank you for your support!

## **Kids - Coming in December!**

The Holiday Shopping Room is back at Courtland Public School this year. You will have a chance to come to the Holiday Shopping Room in December to buy a gift for Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa, or any other special adult in your life. Our volunteers will gift wrap your purchase so that you will be all ready for the holidays. Every item in our store is only \$1.00. Everyone will have the opportunity to purchase an item with a maximum limit of 5 items.

Kindergarten Registrations for 2023-2024 are now open. If you have a child who will be 4 years-old by the end of 2024 (born in 2019 or 2018 if not currently enrolled), registration is now open to begin Kindergarten this September. Please visit [www.granderie.ca/kindergarten](http://www.granderie.ca/kindergarten) to complete the online registration process. Once registered, you will be contacted by the school to complete the process. Families are also welcome to contact the school to arrange a time for in-person registration. We are excited to welcome you and your child into the Grand Erie community."

## Allergies at School:

We have children in the school who have severe, life threatening food allergies (anaphylaxis) to nuts and eggs. This includes food which contains peanuts, peanut oil, or any other kind of nuts or traces of peanuts/nuts/shellfish in them. Products which contain nuts like Nutella are not permitted. Our egg allergy is currently confined to our kindergarten classrooms. Anaphylaxis is a medical condition which causes a severe reaction to specific foods and can result in death within minutes. This requires the attention of our entire school community to ensure students are safe. All our staff is aware of the situation and they have been instructed in the correct procedures regarding anaphylactic shock.



**IMPORTANT EXTREME COLD WEATHER INFORMATION**

**MY SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN ZONE:**

**1**  
NORFOLK COUNTY

**NEW!** What happens if there is extreme cold weather in Grand Erie?

- ❖ If outdoor temperatures reach -30 degrees Celsius (without wind-chill) at 5 a.m. **OR** there is a high risk of frostbite (10 minutes or less) as of 5:45 a.m., transportation will be cancelled. **All Grand Erie schools, however, will remain open.**
- ❖ A decision on whether transportation is cancelled for the day will be made by 6:30 a.m.
- ❖ If transportation is cancelled, the decision will be posted on the Board's website at [www.granderie.ca](http://www.granderie.ca) and Twitter account (@GEDSB). It will also be shared with local media.
- ❖ Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk will also communicate the decision to riders, post on Twitter (@STSBHN) and share on their phone line: 519-751-7532, ext. 7.
- ❖ There are two options for transportation cancellations: All Schools **OR** Schools by Zone:
  - ❖ Grand Erie has four zones: **Zone 1** – Norfolk County; **Zone 2** – Haldimand County; **Zone 3** – Brant County; **Zone 4** – City of Brantford
  - ❖ Grand Erie Students from Six Nations of the Grand River or Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation are located in **Zone 2** – Haldimand
  - ❖ **Your School is located in: Zone 1 – Norfolk County**
- ❖ For information on Student Transportation Services Brant Haldimand Norfolk, visit: [www.stsbhn.ca](http://www.stsbhn.ca). For delays or cancellations, visit: [www.transinfobhn.ca/Cancellations.aspx](http://www.transinfobhn.ca/Cancellations.aspx)



**IMPORTANT INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION**

**MY SCHOOL IS LOCATED IN ZONE:**

**1**  
NORFOLK COUNTY

What happens if there is inclement weather in Grand Erie (e.g., snow, ice, freezing rain, etc.)?

- ❖ A decision on whether schools will be closed for the day will be made by 6:30 a.m.
- ❖ If schools are closed, the decision will be posted on the Board's website [www.granderie.ca](http://www.granderie.ca) and Twitter account (@GEDSB). It will also be shared with local media.
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## Paying for School Trips, Food Days, Miscellaneous Items:

Grand Erie uses School Cash Online as a safe and easy way to manage payments for trips or food programs. This program eliminates the need for students to carry cash to school for such purchases. For safety and efficiency, Grand Erie is reducing the amount of cash and cheques coming to our school.

Through School Cash Online, you can pay for purchases and check out either through eCheque (which requires you sharing some of your banking information) or your credit card (like most online shopping experiences).

Visit [www.schoolcashionline.com](http://www.schoolcashionline.com) to register, and follow the process outlined on that site. There are flyers at the school outlining more detail about School Cash Online. For more information and support contact the Parent Help Desk at:  
1-866-961-1803 or [parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com](mailto:parenthelp@schoolcashionline.com)

Remembrance Day Assembly



Gotcha  
Tigers

Rock, Paper, Scissors, Pie?



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Pie in the Face!



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