



## AGRHS Parent Bulletin, December 2021

Covid 19: Since November 15th we have been made aware of 7 positive cases within Galt. In some of these cases, there were no transmission risks identified as the individual had not been present in school while contagious. Prior to this there had been 2 cases since the start of the school year as reported in the October Bulletin.

*A reminder from the October Parent Bulletin:*

*What to Expect: Under the current conditions of the pandemic, DSPu has needed to prioritize other sectors who are more highly exposed. As a result, based on our experiences thus far, where there is a positive case confirmed in the school, you may anticipate that DSPu communications may likely only take place with you should there be an identification of elevated risk associated with your child's exposure. As a school/school board, we will notify class groups that may have been in contact. DSPu is responsible for all communications pertaining to isolation or testing requirements.*

Only those groups who are identified as having been in contact will receive communication (no school-wide notification). However, there will be updates where relevant in the monthly Parent Bulletin.

Fundraising: A reminder that a number of school-wide fundraising opportunities are available across the year where the profit is credited directly to individual student fundraising accounts. Revenues in the student's fundraising account can be used for the following:

- School Trips
- Athletics Fees
- School Fees (Consumable & Supervision)
- ELS (iPad & laptop) Deductibles
- Prom
- Yearbook
- School Store Items
- Meal Tickets
- School Humanitarian Projects

Students wishing to apply funds from their fundraising accounts may collect a form from Mr. Martel in the Student Activities Office.

Graduation: Families of this year's graduating students are urged to reserve the date of **June 25, 2022**, as this is the date currently scheduled for this year's graduation ceremony. As we have become familiar, the ongoing pandemic drives regular changes and updated conditions that impact all activities. Under current directives, all participants and guests (including graduates) would be required to show a vaccine passport if the event takes place at the Delta Hotel as had been the tradition up to the pandemic. Time will determine the course of events and what conditions we will be working with when it comes time to finalize the details.

Christmas Baskets: We have had an extremely generous response to our annual Christmas Basket campaign. We are truly fortunate to be part of such a caring community and on behalf of all of our families who will benefit from this year's

campaign, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to all of our donors.

## **2022 – 2023 STUDENT REGISTRATION DATES REMINDER**

Jan 10-21, 2022                      Re-registration

Jan 24 - Feb 4, 2022              New registrations

The deadline for submitting applications to the Concentration Programs for the next school year has now ended. If you wish to apply but have not yet done so, it will be important to do so quickly as once groups reach capacity, we move to a waiting list. Priority is given to those who have met the deadline and meet the admission criteria. Additional information and application forms are available on the [school website](#).

Detector Dog: We had our first visit of the Detector Dog this past Tuesday morning. As this visit focused on lockers, a “Shelter in Place” was called in order to keep the corridors clear and to allow for confidentiality in the process. The wooded area behind the school was also part of this visit. As mentioned previously, we will have frequent visits over the course of the year and into future school years. Please remind your child that the lockers remain school and school board property, and as such, can be searched any time there is probable cause. The Detector Dog(s) are highly trained animals with an extreme capacity to isolate and detect specific odours, even amidst other odours. All areas of the campus will be subject to verifications by the Detector Dog, with specific areas identified for focus each time. It goes without saying that drugs do not belong in school - thus all students are encouraged to focus on learning and engaging in healthy activities.

Lockdown & Evacuation Drills: To date we have engaged in three evacuation drills and two lockdown drills since the beginning of the school year. In all five exercises, the students and staff performed exceptionally! In fact - behaviour throughout all five were by far the best witnessed in the last 8 years. The efforts of all are to be applauded.

### **Upcoming Dates to Remember:**

December 22 - January 4: Christmas Holidays, School Closed ***Wishing a most joyous & safe holiday to all in our AGRHS community!***

January 5: PD Day

January 24: PD Day

February 11: PD Day

February 28 - March 6: March Break, School Closed

March 7: PD Day

