École LeMarchant-St. Thomas School

Les nouvelles de novembre 2026
November 2026 News
Theme: Respect & Peace





Students and staff alike had a fantastic time participating in our Dance/Read-a-Thon on October 30! It was wonderful to see so much school spirit throughout the week.

A special thank-you goes out to all the parents and guardians who supported LMST with pledges. We will continue to accept pledges until Friday, November 6. Stay tuned for more information on prize winners and the total amount raised!



Peace is a theme in November as we will take time on November 10th to reflect on the meaning of Remembrance Day and the sacrifices that have been made and are being made, so that we can enjoy the freedoms we have today. Each class will collaborate and create a Remembrance Day wreath and there will be a ceremony to mark the day.

Employment Opportunities at LMST

Outdoor Lunch Monitors

LMST is looking for outdoor lunch monitors for the 2026-27 school year. Please contact Kim Gallivan at kgallivan@hrce.ca

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Haunted House Drawing Contest

Mr. Cunningham's class had their 6th annual Halloween Haunted House drawing competition.

There were over 400 entries, and it was great to see so much enthusiasm! Congratulations to the following. Merci 5/6 Cunningham!

Grades P-2	Grades 3-4	Grades 5 & 6
3rd place- Heath 2SE	3rd place Ben F 4KS	3rd place Sofia 6MC
2nd place Grace 2MBC	2nd place Jacob 3LL	2nd place Ada 5/6 ME
1st place Amber 1TR	1st place Beatrix ¾ DO	1st place Valentina 5DM

December Musical Showcase

Please mark your calendars for our Primary-3 musical showcase on December 8 and 9.

*New this year is grades 4-6 music night on **Thursday, December 10** for our choir and violinists.

Tuesday, December 8 6pm	**Wednesday, December 9 6pm**	***Thursday, December 10 6pm**
3Erin Collinson	3 Laura LeDuc	Grade 4 violin
2 Mary Beth Chisholm	2 Sarah Englehutt	Grade 5 violin
2/3 Shawna Morrissey	2 Marie Fennell	Grade 6 violin
1 Carine Abi Daoud	½ Isabella Larocque	Grades 4-6 choir
1 Tayor Roberge	2 Kelly Jordan	
Primary Joanne Zelios	P1 Tina Drapeau	
Primary Suzanne Lacroix	P1 Emma Rhynold	
3 Danica Ottosen	P Laura De Palma	

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LMST Garden Committee Updates

LMST Community Harvest Snack Week- November 2-6, 2026

Harvest Snack Week is just around the corner, and the students are excited to celebrate this special LMST tradition again. With this event, the science curriculum comes to life as it did back in the spring during the LMST Planting Week, when each child at LMST planted a seed in the school garden. Now, the children's learning will come full circle by harvesting and sharing in the fruits of that labour together.

What Happens at Harvest Snack Week?

In the weeks leading up to Harvest Snack Week, classes will be going into the LMST garden and checking out the incredible things that are growing. A huge shout out to all the LMST families who helped keep the garden watered and weeded this summer. Children will be able to explore why some seeds grew and others didn't, how much foliage/space is required to produce a few vegetables.

During Harvest Snack Week, each class will do a workshop where students are lead through a series of stations that are centered on preparing a healthy snack based on some items that represent what was grown in the LMST garden (apples, cucumber, tomatoes, carrots, peppers, snap peas, beans, corn, celery, squash). Activities are linked to the Nova Scotia P-6 Science Curriculum which focuses on developing scientific inquiry skills through hands-on activities, emphasizing themes like diversity, cycles, systems, energy, and interactions.

Grade P-2 students will be using a cookie cutter to create shapes out of vegetables.
Grade 3-6 students will use age-appropriate plastic knives and other tools under the supervision of teachers and volunteers.

Harvest Snack Week May Need Classroom Family Volunteers

Last year we made a change to keep the program sustainable, it was a huge success. We will run the program similar to last year, the program will be run by each teacher in their classroom.

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The hope is to make the experience sustainable, easy and enjoyable for everyone, while keeping the spirit of community at its core. Look out for the call out for volunteers from your classroom teacher and sign up.

A Big THANK YOU to LMST for their financial support, Noggins Corner Farm Market (Coburg Road) for all the apples, and The Warehouse Market (Iselville Street) for many of the vegetables. We truly appreciate the support from our community.

School Advisory Council (SAC)

Our next SAC meeting is November 17 at 4:30 pm. All are welcome to attend.

Home & School News

Please see separate H & S newsletter.
Our next meeting is November 17 at 6:00 pm. All welcome

Mabel's Labels

Our wonderful Nova Scotian climate with its fluctuating temperatures has most of us dressing in layers. As a result our lost and found bins are alreday overflowing. LMST has signed up for Mabel's Labels. Clothing labeled with the child's name finds its way back more often and as a bonus a portion of the proceeds will support initiatives here at school. Go to mabelslabels.com, press the "Support a Fundraiser" button and choose LeMarchant -St. Thomas from the list.

Lost and Found

Our Lost and Found bins are overflowing!
We roll the bins outside on fair-weather days before and after school so families and students can check for any missing items. All items will also be on display on December 3rd and 4th during Parent/Guardian–Teacher Interviews. Please take a moment to look through Lost and Found. **All unclaimed items will be donated December 4**.
Thank you for helping us reunite belongings with their owners!

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Important Dates_

- November 2-6 Harvest Snack week
- November 3 Bus evacuation drills
- November 4 Woozles Shopping Night 5:30-9 pm
- November 11 Remembrance Day- no school
- November 11 Free Family Skate 1-3 pm Saint Mary's University
- November 17 School Advisory Council 4:30 pm All welcome
- November 17 Home & School 6:00 pm All welcome
- November 20 Assessment and Evaluation Day- no school for students
- November 23 Optis online booking for parent/guardian-teacher interviews opens
- December 1 Report cards released
- December 2 LMST food drive – "Stuff a Bus campaign"
- December 3 Parent/Guardian-teacher interviews 5:00-7:00pm
- December 4 No school for students
- December 4 Parent/Guardian-teacher interviews 1pm-4pm
- December 4 Unclaimed lost & found donated
- December 8 P-3 Musical Showcase Concert 6:00 pm (see schedule above)
- December 9 P-3 Musical Showcase Concert 6:00 pm (see schedule above)
- December 10 Music night (Grades 4-6 Violin/Choir)
- December 17 & 18 Shopping Under the Stars
- December 18 Last Day of school for students

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