



## Les nouvelles de novembre 2023

### November 2023 News

### Theme: Respect & Peace



Students and staff alike enjoyed partaking in our dance/read-a-thon. It was fun to see so much school spirit as our grades 3-6 students participated in our annual neighbourhood Halloween walk-a-thon. Our grade P-2 students thoroughly enjoyed their dance-a-thon party.

A special thank you to all parents/guardians that supported LMST with pledges. We continue to accept pledges until the end of this week. More information on prize winners and amount collected will be forthcoming.

**Respect & Peace** are themes 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. Extra resources have been shared with homeroom teachers so they can tailor lessons based on the age of their students.

### **Haunted House Drawing competition**

Mr. Cunningham's class had their 4th annual Halloween Haunted House drawing competition. There were over 500 entries, and it was great to see so much enthusiasm! Congratulations to the following. Merci Grade 6 Cunningham!

Grades P-2	Grades 3-4	Grades 5 & 6
3 <sup>rd</sup> place Amelia 2E	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Nina 4/5 T	3 <sup>rd</sup> place Lily & Anna 6H

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2 <sup>nd</sup> place Victoria 2 J	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Serena ¾ F	2 <sup>nd</sup> place Julia 6H
1 <sup>st</sup> place Finn ⅔ M	1 <sup>st</sup> place Lucas ¾ F	1 <sup>st</sup> place Meika & Jenna 6 C

### School Advisory Council (SAC)

At our October meeting voted to spend the initial part of the SAC budget on an Art Specialist to support teachers in implementing integrated art curriculum. Our next SAC meeting is November 21 at 4:30 pm. All welcome to attend.

### Home & School News

#### FUNDS APPROVED IN OCTOBER

NOURISH YOUR ROOTS – Thank you LMST for purchasing NYR Farm boxes! Among the 115 boxes sold, 23 were generously allocated for donation! During October’s H&S meeting, the H&S approved a motion to designate half our monetary proceeds to the garden committee for “Healthy Snack Week” and the other half for accessible healthy snacks for students during school hours (i.e. fruit bowl in the office).

#### EVENTS THIS MONTH!! WE ARE BUSY!!!!

#### #1- FRIDAY, NOV 3- ADULT EVENT! 8-11pm!

- Join us for the POPULAR adult social, auction and dance in the LMST cafeteria (8-11pm). All Adults Welcome! Bring your friends & family! · Tickets available via Schoolcashionline.com
- Auction: Stay tuned via LMST emails & our H&S Facebook page for a list of our auction items. If you would like to donate services, unique experiences, or items (incl. art pieces new or used) please contact jamiesonmary@gmail.com by October 30th.

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· Volunteers: We need your help! Please consider signing up to help via this link, <https://volunteersignup.org/YR9LH>

### #2 – WEDNESDAY, NOV 8th (5:30-9PM) LOCAL SHOPPING NIGHT WITH WOZZLES, MORRIS EAST, THE TRAIL SHOP, TAKE IT OUTSIDE, & MOVE EAST!

Beat the holiday rush and/or pre-buy for future birthday/party gifts! 15 to 20% of sales go directly to LMST! MUST BUY THIS DATE AND BETWEEN 5:30-9PM!!! TELL YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY & NEIGHBOURS!!

- **WOZZLES BOOKSTORE** (6013 Shirley Street): In person or on-line (use code “LMST23” in comments section, pick-up only). Teachers will have a “class wish list” of items at the store that you may choose to donate/gift. In stock items only.
- **MORRIS EAST** -Pizza, Pastas, Salads & Desserts (1984 Vernon Street) – Dine in or dine out, just mention you are with LMST!
- **TAKE IT OUTSIDE** (1980 Vernon Street) – Active lifestyle, fashion and travel clothing, footwear and accessories. – Come in person (mention LMST!!!) or online (use code “LMST23” in discount code section, pick-up only). Exclusions on Yeti, Blundstone and Canada Goose products, any sale/clearance items and on the purchase of gifts cards, will apply. In stock items only.
- **THE TRAIL SHOP** (6112 Quinpool Rd.) – Clothing, hard goods and accessories. Come in person (mention LMST!!!) or online (use code “LMST23” in discount code section, pick-up only). Exclusions on Yeti, Blundstone and Canada Goose products, any sale/clearance items and on the purchase of gifts cards, will apply. In stock items only.
- **MOVE EAST** (6130 Quinpool Road) – Community fitness space with 10 different class styles, a small retail boutique, personal training and treatment room. LMST will receive 20% of proceeds from any class pack purchase (\$110 for a 5 pack and \$200 for a 10 pack)

### #3- Mid-NOVEMBER – HOLIDAY WREATHS- Stay tuned!

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Order your holiday wreaths! Not only does it save you a trip down to the market, it's a great gift idea for your mother, father, in-laws, neighbours or friends! · WHEN: Available soon at <https://schoolcashionline.com/>

· PICK-UP: At LMST on date TBD (End of November or early December)

### #4 - MONDAY, NOV 13th (Remembrance Day Holiday)– FREE FAMILY SKATE! 10-12pm!

· WHAT- FREE Family Skate & Grade 6 Treat Sale (BRING CASH! Fundraiser for the Grade 6 year end trip) – BRING YOUR OWN **REUSABLE MUG!**

· WHERE - Halifax Forum, 2901 Windsor Street

· WHO IS INVITED- ALL WELCOME! Parents/Guardian/Staff and Children! **Note- children must be accompanied by an adult.**

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Bring your own equipment. Equipment is not provided (Consider posting offers or requests on our Facebook page: "LMST Buy, Sell, Swap, Save!!")

- Helmets are mandatory

- No hockey sticks or pucks allowed

- Parent/caregiver supervision is required, even if parent/caregiver is not skating

- Remember to BRING CASH if you would like to support our Grade 6 treat sale!

### #5 - NOV 20-24th – LOTTERY TICKET SALES FOR HOLIDAY CONCERT FRONT ROW SEATS!

Buy your tickets (\$10/each) for your chance to win FRONT ROW SEATS to the holiday concert!

· 1st prize winner: 4 front row seats

· 2nd prize winner: 2 front row seats. · Stay tuned for tickets to be available via: [Schoolcashionline.com](https://schoolcashionline.com) . Draw is Wednesday, November 29th!

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### VOLUNTEERS!!!

For anyone seeking volunteer hours with the school NOT during school hours, we have a number of great events needing leads and helpers (i.e. Food Drive, Bingo, Spring Fair stations, Teacher Appreciation lunch, etc.). Please contact LMST H&S Co-Chair, Christine Eisenhauer, [christine@eisenhauer.ca](mailto:christine@eisenhauer.ca).



mabel's labels

### 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 beginning to overflow. In consultation with the Home and School

association we have decided to sign LMST 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 [mabel's labels](#), press the "Support a Fundraiser" button and choose LeMarchant -St. Thomas from the list.

### Healthy Snack Program - Nov 6-9th

The LMST Garden committee is so excited to partner with the school to create a Healthy Harvest Snack Program, which we will hope to do every year going forward. Similar to Garden Week last spring, every child will have hands-on experience creating a healthy snack using local veggies and fruit, similar to the types we can grow at the school so they can experience "the fruits of their labour". This program will happen during the week of November 6- 9th in class as it is linked to the curriculum. Each class will spend 30 minutes going through a series of stations that will end with them creating a healthy snack (dietary restrictions and allergies will be taken into account). Further details will go out via your child's teacher. Keep your eye out for the volunteer sign up so you can help facilitate the program in your child's class.

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A Big THANK YOU to Home and School and the Nourish your Roots fundraiser that is helping with funding to make this initiative happen.

### **Safety around the School**

LMST works to find ways to promote active transportation (walking, biking, walking part way) which has many positive benefits for our health. Another bonus to walking to school is that it reduces traffic congestion around the school.

Attached is a flyer created by STP and the Ecology Action Center with support of the HRM and Halifax Police regarding traffic signage around our school.

### **Late Arrivals**

Just a friendly reminder that classroom instruction begins at 8:55 am so please try to help your child arrive on time or come as early as 8:35 am. Thank you!



### **Important Dates**

- November 1 Bus evacuation drills
- November 3 LMST H & S adult dance/silent auction.
- November 11 Remembrance Day- no school
- November 13 H & S Family skate 10 am -12 pm ( Halifax Forum)
- November 14 Optis online booking for parent/guardian-teacher interviews opens
- November 17 Assessment and Evaluation Day- no school for students
- November 21 SAC at 4:30 pm All welcome
- November 21 Home & School 6:00 pm All welcome
- November 22 Report cards released

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- November 23 Parent/Guardian-teacher interviews 1-4pm 6-8pm
- December 4 Professional Development- no school for students
- December 6 P-3 Holiday concert 6:00 pm
- December 7 4-6 Holiday concert 6:00 pm
- December 8 Holiday Concert Snow Date

For a complete listing of staff at LMST please check out our website

<https://lmt.hrce.ca/staff-directory>

Our LMST website <https://lmt.hrce.ca/calendar> has our most up to date listings of events for the 2023-24 school year.

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