

Edward Murphy

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

St. Aloysius Parish

As we begin the season of giving, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the St. Aloysius Parish Community. They raised and generously donated \$1000 to Edward Murphy School. We have used some of these funds to assist students and their families in various ways. On behalf of the EMS community, we extend our thanks to the entire St. Aloysius community.

December Drive

Throughout the month of December, until December 19th, we are asking families to donate non-perishable food items, hygiene items, or small clothing items. All items collected will be distributed to families within our community. All items can be deposited in the designated box in your child's Homeroom.

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Outside Clothing & Shoes

With colder temperatures upon us, students must be appropriately dressed for outdoor weather. This includes, but is not limited to hats, cache cou, and gloves. In addition, students MUST have indoor shoes which must not be worn outside.

Visit us on our
website as well as on
social media:

www.edwardmurphy.emsb.qc.ca





Movie Night

The EMS PPO is happy to announce our Family Movie Night on **Friday, December 15th**. All information has been already sent to you via email. You may also find all the details on our social media pages. We hope to see many families in attendance.

Online Monitoring

Parents are asked to ensure their child / children's online viewing habits are closely monitored. We have had some instances of students repeating and/or imitating comments and actions viewed online, most of it inappropriate for school and school-aged children. We thank you for your collaboration in this matter.



Volunteers

We are gearing up for our traditional Holiday events. Our PPO will be sending an email to parents for volunteers during the week. If you are interested in volunteering, please ensure you sign up! We love having you with us during these special events!

Cell phones and Electronics

As per the Edward Murphy school policy outlined in your child's agenda, cell phones and other electronics are not to be brought to school. If, due to the bus strike, your child has a cell phone for travel to and from school, it **MUST** be turned off and out of sight for the duration of the school day. This includes all recesses and lunch. Once a student enters the schoolyard in the morning to the time they exit the building at the end of the day, the phone must not be seen or heard by the student or any staff member. Taking photos during the school day is particularly unacceptable. Should a staff member see the phone, it will be brought to me and you will be contacted. Also, neither Edward Murphy school or staff member will be responsible for any theft or loss.

Happy Holidays

Every month, this section of our newsletter will highlight a cycle, grade, or special project occurring at Edward Murphy.

Spotlight on Cycle 2

Debating is an essential life skill that teaches children to analyze, rationalize, and put forward comprehensive arguments. 3A and 3C debated several topics such as whether children should eat junk food, whether schools should have recess, and whether books are better than movies. They worked as a team and helped each other come up with arguments for and against their motion.

Grade 4 students are applying for the perfect job! Typing application letters to become an employee at Santa's workshop! You're hired!



