

Sunday, November 2, 2025

Dear École Joe Clark Families,

It's been a wonderful few days reconnecting with our students and families — the energy in the building is contagious!

Thank you all for your patience, flexibility, and support as we ease back into routines and get things rolling again. We're excited for the learning and laughter ahead!

We want to extend a monster-sized thank you to all the families who joined us for our Halloween parade! Your energy, enthusiasm, and costume creativity helped make the afternoon a frightfully fun success.

From sparkly skeletons to pint-sized pumpkins, our students dazzled in their costumes — and we loved seeing so many of you cheering them on as they paraded down to the lake. The weather was eerily perfect, and the smiles were as bright as a jack-o'-lantern's grin!

Whether you came dressed as a witch, a wizard, or a well-prepared parent with warm layers and extra costume supplies, we're grateful for your presence and support. You helped make this laid-back Halloween celebration one to remember.

As we resume classes, please note:

- Pick Up & Drop Off: Previous drop-off and pick-up routines remain in place.
- We ask that students stay outside once they arrive at school (except for inclement weather days) as our staff are preparing for their day and are not responsible for supervision inside the school at that time.
- Morning and afternoon supervision outside occurs from 8:30 am until the bell at 8:45 am, and in the afternoon from 3:15 pm- 3:30 pm.
- Bus Lane: The bus lane is reserved for FSD buses only. Please do not park or drop off your children in this area.
- Parking Lot: Our parking lot is for staff of FSD only. Parents are welcome to park in the church parking lot (they have graciously allowed us to use this in the morning)
- School Calendar: A reminder of the changes to the instructional calendar (view calendar update)
- November 24, 2025 – Has been changed to a day of school for students instead of PD

****The Fall Break (November 10 to 15, 2025) remains unchanged as we understand many families have made alternate plans.**

- Indoor Shoes/Weather Appropriate Wear- If your child took their indoor shoes home, please be sure to send them back to school this week. The weather is also starting to cool off. Please make sure you dress your child in the morning warmly (hats, toques and mitts) as we attempt to get students out as much as we can!

Thank you for your continued support and trust in our school community. We're grateful to be back together.

Yours in learning,

Jolene Becker & Corre Mahan

École Joe Clark School Admin team

Upcoming Dates: (some dates have been adjusted, so please take a look!)

- Friday, November 7- Remembrance Day Assembly at 10:30 am- Families are welcome to join us in the gym
- Wednesday, November 5- School Council Meeting 5:30 – no fundraising meeting to follow this time
- Nov 10-16- Fall Break – No school (as regularly scheduled)

Remembrance Day Ceremony Invitation

We invite families to join us for our Remembrance Day ceremony, which will take place in the gymnasium at 10:30 a.m.. This meaningful event honors the sacrifices of those who have served, and we welcome our school community to be part of it.

Poppies are available for purchase at the office this week, with proceeds supporting veterans through the Royal Canadian Legion.

School Council

Our next school council meeting will take place at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, in the Learning Commons. This meeting will be our Annual General Meeting, where we elect new representatives, review bylaws, and set our priorities for the school year. New members are encouraged to join; all parents are welcome to attend!

Winter Greenery Fundraiser

Joe Clark Fundraising Committee is back with Winter Greenery! Please consider purchasing your poinsettias or other winter greenery to support our school!

All funds raised go directly back to our classrooms and students. These funds will go towards classroom enhancements (books, games, classroom supplies, etc).

Ordering will be open until November 19th and pick up by December 5th.

Please place orders online here:

<https://ecolejoe.growingsmilesfundraising.com/team/home>

Alternatively, we can accept order forms with cash, EMT JoeClark-pc@hotmail.com or cheques payable to Right Honorable Joe Clark Parent Teacher Association.

If you have any questions, please contact Kaylee at JoeClark-pc@hotmail.com Thank you for your support! École Joe Clark Fundraising Committee