



Parent Bulletin – December 2014

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November *Review*

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Welcome to the last bulletin of 2014! Here's a glimpse of what took place last month and a look at a glance of what is set to take place in December:

Remembrance Day Assemblies



Our LLHS Leadership students presented to 3000 students as they proudly planned, led, wrote the scripts, set the stage and presented assemblies to all Laval Junior, Mother Teresa, Laurier Senior & of course Laval Liberty students and staff between November 6th & 10th. They did an exceptional job keeping the bar high as always. In addition, several staff, students and parents joined the City of Laval's Remembrance Day Parade on November 9th where over 400 people enjoyed hot chocolate and donuts in our cafeteria after the formalities were completed. Finally, a school-wide moment of silence of remembrance took place at 11:11am on November 11th.

Barber of Seville



A school-wide afterschool music trip open to all students took place on November 6th. They were shown the final dress rehearsal of the opera "The Barber of Seville" at Place des Arts. All who attended thoroughly enjoyed the performance and the comedic portrayal of the characters, particularly the barber.

Info Session

A post-secondary information session for all sec. V students took place on November 13th during Period 3. Representatives from cegep, trade schools, adult ed., and the Canadian Armed Forces were on hand. Many students took advantage of their presence to ask reps directed questions with regards to their future.

Grad Breakfast & Pictures

All Sec 5 students were invited to attend this year's annual grad breakfast event held at the Palace on November 14th in the morning. Lots of fun was had by all! Grad pictures were

taken on the 28th. Many are looking forward to being part of the last graduating class of LLHS!

Soccer Concentration Outing

On November 17th, our Soccer Concentration students were given the opportunity to enhance understanding of McGill's student Athletics experience and witness daily routines (training, studying, time management skills, etc.). The students also received a tour of McGill Campus & were spoken to by coaches & directors regarding programs, terms of acceptance, scholarships, etc.

RCMP Visit



Our secondary 4 student population participated in a 75-minute RCMP presentation from Nov. 24th to the 27th on drug awareness, alcohol & digital citizenship.



Annual *Holiday* FOOD DRIVE

Our school is coordinating a Holiday Collection/Drive from December 1st to the 16th. All donations will be forwarded to AGAPE (a non-profit association assisting all cultural communities in Laval). A variety of non-perishable goods are required such as: soups, canned goods, condiments, cereals, sauces, pasta, snacks, sealed desserts, baby food, and toiletries. We are aiming to raise a minimum of 2500 donations within this period of time. Should our LLHS community raise this amount, our students will be offered a movie at Colossus on January 6th for \$6. Their coupon to attend this movie will only be given to them during period 3 on the 6th to be used that afternoon. Since certain movies will not have finished on time for students to pick up their regular LLHS bus at 3:20pm, alternate arrangements will have to be arranged ahead of time with you & your child.

Parent/Teacher Night & PPO Bake Sale

Term 1 ended on November 6th. Report cards were mailed to parents and Parent/Teacher Night is set to take place on **Thursday, December 4th from 6:30 to 9:30pm**. Your PPO (Parent Participation Organization) will be selling coffee and baked goods during the evening to fundraise for various activities that take place in our school. In support these activities, please drop-off (or send-in via your child) baked goods at the main office throughout the day on December 4th. The PPO would like to thank you in advance for your support.



HONOUR ROLL

Congratulations to all Sec 3-4-5 students who made it on the honour roll this term! The complete list of names can be found on our website under the 'Academics' tab.

Tutorials

Laval Liberty History & Science tutorials for secondary V students writing January exams for History IV and /or Science IV are in full swing and will continue to run right through the month of December.

Upcoming Pedagogical Days

As stated in our calendar, Friday, December 5th is the only scheduled pedagogical day this month. Please note that Monday, January 5th, 2015 is also a pedagogical day. No classes for students on both these days.

Holiday Music Concentration Concert



On Monday, Dec. 8th, the holiday music concentration concert will be presented in a new format in which students will perform as soloists as well as all together in a concert band. Please note that it will be presented in the school's library beginning at 7pm and will last approximately one hour. Tickets will be available in advance at school from the music department and also at the door on the evening of the concert. Tickets are 6\$ dollars for adults and 3\$ for students. You are also invited you to support the music department by staying for coffee and dessert after the concert whilst the students restore the library to its regular set up for the next school day. We look forward to seeing you at the concert!

PPO Meeting

On Tuesday, Dec 9th, our Parent Participation Organization will be holding their monthly meeting in the library beginning at 6pm. Parents who are interested in joining the group are more than welcome to attend.

Theatre Concentration Presentation



Laval Liberty's Theatre Concentration presents: "Night of January 16th" a gripping tale of love, lies and jealousy by Ayn Rand. This murder mystery play will leave you guessing until the very end and only the audience will decide whether the verdict will be innocent or guilty. Performances will run on Dec 11 & 12 beginning at 7:30pm and Saturday, December 13th beginning at 1:30pm. Cost of tickets is \$5 in advance & \$7 at the door.

Hockey Fundraising



Hockey Concentration students are fundraising to reduce costs for their 4-day varsity trip to Washington DC scheduled for January, 2015. In order to help reduce the cost of the trip, they will be organizing various fundraising activities, including, bagging groceries at the Maxi

located at 3500 St-Martin Boulevard West on December 11, 12, 13, and 14, as well as holding a raffle ticket sale. The students are looking forward to your support!

Lunchtime & Private property

Although students have permission to leave the permission during lunch, they do not have permission to be on private property. This includes parking lots and grassed areas. Complaints may lead to authorities arresting your child as employees from City Hall, the CSSS and tenants of the apartment buildings in our immediate vicinity are contacting the police.



Mid-Term Exams

Many exams will take place during students' respective classes. Certain exams will be blocked for certain fixed periods of time.

We wish to inform you that on December 17th, all secondary 5 students taking physics will be writing an exam from 8:30am to 12:30pm followed by their regular period 4 class. All other Sec 3-4-5 students will have regular classes.

On December 18th, all students will be writing a math and science exam:

- 8:30 to 11 Math exam
- 11 to 12 lunch break
- 12 to 2pm Regular science exam for Sec 3 & 4 students
- 12 to 3pm Enriched science & chemistry exam for Sec 4 & 5 students

Please note that Term 2 ends on Friday, January 16th, 2015.

14th Annual Community Breakfast



Friday, December 19th, is the date! No regular classes will be held on this day. Breakfast tickets will be sold at \$5 as usual. More details will be e-mailed to you in the coming days. We look forward to your support on this day as we fundraise to assist our Laval community!

On behalf of the entire LLHS staff, we'd like to wish you all a safe and healthy holiday season.

See you back in 2015!



Yours in education,

Mrs. Josée Côté, Principal

Mrs. Helen Kalipolidis, Vice-Principal