



Gateway Drive Public School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to March! Although it doesn't feel like March yet, it has arrived. Hopefully it means warmer temperatures and less inconsistent weather. Please continue to send warm clothes including snow pants, toques and mitts to dress appropriately for the weather.

Spring Break is just two weeks away. It takes place from March 11-18. Whether you are going away or staying close to home, we hope you keep safe and that you and your family take time to enjoy yourself.

Thanks again,

Chad Reay

SCHOOL COUNCIL CORNER

School Council meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30-7:45 p.m. The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday, March 23rd**. If you have never attended a School Council meeting before, we would love to have you. We love seeing new faces.

MARCH BREAK

Please remember that spring break for our students is from Friday, March 11th to Friday, March 18th.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Please remember that we turn our clocks forward one hour on Sunday, March 13th.

GRADE 8 GRAD & SIBLING PHOTOS

Get those smiles ready! Our Grade 8 Grad photos will be on Wednesday May 4th.

ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS – EARTH HOUR IS MARCH 26th

Join the global movement! Celebrate Earth Hour on March 26 at 8:30pm. Earth Hour's mission is uniting people to protect the planet by raising awareness about climate change and encouraging positive action. Earth Hour was famously started as a lights-off event in Sydney, Australia in 2007. Since then it has grown to engage more than 172 countries and territories worldwide. Earth Hour is more than an event. It is a movement that has achieved massive environmental impact, including legislation changes by harnessing the power of the crowd. Earth Hour belongs to you. Celebrate your commitment to the planet with your friends, family, community, or at work - in your own way. A simple event can be just turning off all non-essential lights on March 26th from 8:30-9:30 pm. For one hour, focus on your commitment to our planet. To celebrate, you can:

- prepare a candle lit dinner,
- talk to your neighbours, or invite people over
- stargaze, or go camping in your backyard
- play board games, or charades
- host a concert, or a sing-a-long
- create or join your own community event
- have an Earth Hour every month

The possibilities are endless!

