

# BROOKSBANK

Compassion in our thoughts, words, and actions.

## Conference Times

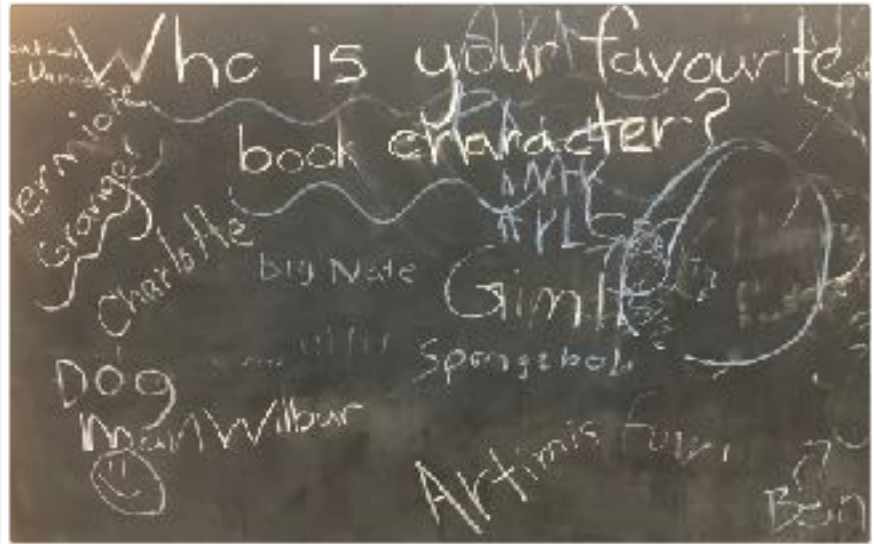
**Students will be dismissed at 12:10 pm on Tuesday, November 19th and Thursday, November 21st to facilitate conferences.** Fun Lunch has been moved to Friday, November 22nd. Wednesday is the usual 2 pm dismissal.

## Weather

Please keep an eye on the weather when packing clothing with your child. Regardless of weather conditions, students will go outside for recess. On very inclement days we may shorten the outside portion of lunch. Having a dry change of clothes at school is helpful.

## Lost & Found

Please check the Lost & Found rack across from the library for any missing clothing and items. Coming up to Winter Break we are going to donate the remaining items.



## Conferences

In preparation for next week's 3-way conferences, here are some ideas for how parents can support the process. The 3-conferences provide parents with the chance to gain a deeper understanding of what their child is doing and work together to set new goals. We understand that this is a new format for conferences, and we hope that you will take this opportunity to sign up for a conference with your child.

Sign-up for the conferences is now live. Please check your email.

### Three-Way-Conferences promote:

- Student responsibility and accountability for their school life and academic learning - self esteem, independence, confidence
- Teach students the process of self-evaluation and reflection
- Deeper understanding about what is happening in the classroom
- Parent and child communication about their learning

## Photo Retakes

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Photo retakes will be taken this Friday, November 15th.

## Please Park Responsibly

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Over the past weeks, we have noticed an increase in parking violations around the school. In order to help us maintain a smooth and safe drop off and pick up for your children, please ensure the following:

- Please do not stop in the cul-de-sac on 13th. Cars stopping even for a couple of minutes to drop off children interrupt the flow of traffic, with cars behind them backing up and going around them, making the area unsafe for children and parents.
- Please do not leave your vehicle unattended in the designated pick-up and drop-off zones along the alley and on 14th Street. You are welcome to stop there in the morning to drop off your child, or wait after school for them to meet you there.
- Please do not park in the teachers' lot, including in the spot designated to the Brooksbank PAC Fundraiser. The PAC auctions off this spot on an annual basis to earn funds for the school, and the winning family has the rights to that spot for the entire year.

We appreciate your co-operation!

## Parent participation in the Three-Way-Conferences:

If your child needs support during the three-way-conference, here are some ways in which you, as the parent can facilitate the process. Ask them a few questions such as:

- What is your favourite piece of work? Why? What is the most important thing you learned about this project?
- What are your favourite subjects or activities? Why?
- What are you most proud of?
- I am proud to see that you...
- What are you working on now?
- What would you like to learn more about?

We appreciate your involvement in this process.

## *PAC Purdy's Order*

You can place your order online and the orders will be sent directly to the school. We will distribute them December 9th. More details regarding distribution will be emailed to those who place an order.

- Go to this website: [www.purdysgpp.com](http://www.purdysgpp.com)
- Click 'log in' (if you have an account from a previous fundraiser), or 'create an account' and follow these steps.
- Our customer number is 25422.
- You can then click on 'join this group'.
- You can then go on to place your order by selecting the 'shop online' tab.

The Brooksbank Elementary PAC will receive 25% of the value of orders back if we order over \$1000 so please pass on the brochure to family and friends - maybe take it to work or pass around at sports and other activities. Please make sure that any orders are placed under your name so that we know who to give them to.

LAST DATE FOR ORDERS IS NOVEMBER 25th, 2019

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