

"What if Christmas, he thought, doesn't come from a store. What if Christmas...perhaps...means a little bit more!" — **Dr. Seuss, How the Grinch Stole Christmas!** 

## **5 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS CHEER**

In lieu of our Annual Christmas Market known as Advent Giving Fair, we have decided to provide students with 5 Days of Christmas Cheer! All funds raised will still go directly towards our goal of raising \$7,700 to sponsor families in need within our St. Gabriel Community.

What are the 5 Days of Christmas Cheer? We have planned 5 days in December to celebrate Christmas as a school. It will allow students to participate in the joy of giving and allow them to create gifts for their parents. Please take a moment to review the schedule of events:

Date	Event	Outfit of the day or wear red/green
Friday December 3rd	Creating Christmas Cards for the Canadian Armed Forces	Christmas PJ Day
Wednesday December 8th	Christmas Classroom Door Decorating Competition	Dress Like an Elf Day
Friday December 10th	Creating Christmas Ornaments for Parents.	Ugly Christmas Sweater Day
Wednesday December 15th	Creating Christmas Cards for Seniors	Pink and Purple Day! (Advent colours)
Friday December 17th	Christmas Movie and Snowman Cookie	Red and Green Day

What is the cost? To participate we kindly request that you make a minimum donation of \$10 via <a href="SchoolCashOnline">SchoolCashOnline</a> This year has been challenging for many families, so please also consider sponsoring a student who may not normally be able to participate in school events this holiday season. In true St. Gabriel spirit, "No student will be left behind."

What is new this year? RAFFLES!! This year we have been busy preparing over 50 amazing raffle baskets for all ages to help us attain our goal of \$7,700. Baskets will be made available for viewing by the children the first week of December with ballot choices on Wednesday December 8th.

Last online raffle ticket purchase date will be Tuesday December 7th. SchoolCashOnline is preferred for all ballot sales to help us prepare them ahead of time, but a cash ticket option will be made available on Wednesday December 8th. Raffle tickets will be available as follows: 1 ticket for \$1, 7 tickets for \$5, 15 tickets for \$10, 25 tickets for \$15, 35 for \$20 or 45 tickets for \$25, you are free to purchase as many as you'd like.

\*\*100% of all raffle monies will go directly towards our goal as all baskets were generously donated\*\*

Can families do more to help us attain our goals? Yes! Parents can donate additional funds which will go directly towards attaining our goal by using the HCDSB Make a Donation link. Under "Message to School" parents can add "AGF" or "5 Days of Christmas Cheer".