



# The Principal News

Newsletter  
30th November 2018



## Soccer Field

Some of you would have noticed that the new soccer field

is almost ready. This has been in the making since August 2018 and will be major showcase once it is completed. The soccer field required a major investment of both time and financial resources. While many of us talk about thousands of dollars of investment, the Board of Directors of Gobind Sarvar have invested tens of thousands of dollars into the field.

In addition, they have personally spent many hours preparing the field. Last week, some of our Board members were helping lay out the artificial turf in

## Coming up

### Monday 10th December

Multicultural day - students and staff wear traditional clothes of cultures and bring cultural food - information to follow

### Thursday 20th December

Report cards for term 1 issued

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pouring rain. We are very thankful for their dedication to the school.

Once the field is complete and ready to use, we will be ordering goal posts and other equipment so that we can play soccer (and other sports). I am personally hoping to be able to host games against other schools!

Soccer players get ready!

Special assembly:  
Martyrdom of Chaar  
Sahibzade

**24th Dec - 4th Jan**  
Winter break

**Monday 7th January**

School re-opens after  
winter break

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**Full Calendar**

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## **Birthday celebrations**

We have an enrollment of some 250 students ranging from kindergarten to grade 10. As a result, there is hardly a week that goes by when a birthday is not celebrated.

We are fortunate that our parents of our students choose to celebrate birthdays with the school. At the same time, it is not appropriate to have pizza each week as a result of birthdays.

When celebrating birthdays, we ask that you consider some alternatives to food items. For example, please consider the following when celebrating:

- 1 Books
- 2 Chess sets
- 3 Sports equipment
- 4 Bench for playground

So far, many parents have given some needed items to the school instead of



## **Cassie and Friends Puppet Show for Juvenile Arthritis**

Juvenile Arthritis affects 3 in 1000 kids in Canada – making it one of the most common chronic conditions affecting children today. Even still it is still relatively unknown and often misunderstood. For kids, this can lead to feelings of embarrassment, social exclusion and even bullying – all that for a child who is already dealing with a painful and largely invisible disease. Through better information in schools and awareness by peers, children who have JA can find hope and acceptance.

Kids on the Block (KOB) show teaches kids (and educators) about friendship, inclusion and how to talk about any kind of 'difference.' The overall message is one of ability over disability – giving kids the chance to turn their focus back to being kids.

**WHO ARE THE KIDS ON THE BLOCK?**

KOB is a troupe of life-sized puppets that dress and act like real children. The program's goal is to help raise awareness and understanding about what it's

like to live with JA and to illustrate some of the challenges a classmate with JA might be facing: pain, isolation, depression and mobility challenges. KOB gives students the opportunity to ask their questions directly to the puppets, breaking down barriers and addressing serious topics (inclusion, health, disability) through a positive interactive experience. The puppets also help children feel positive about themselves, accept individual differences and learn valuable personal skills.

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food for birthday celebrations. We are very grateful!

Please see our Principal Mr. Bolina for more information.

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