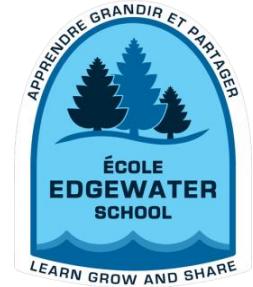


Governing Board Annual Report

2018-2019

Edgewater Elementary School
220 Cardinal Leger. Pincourt QC



Chairperson's Message

Edgewater kicked off the 2018-2019 School Year with our annual corn roast with over 400 children plus staff having an opportunity to have a piece of corn, an apple and a drink. We started the year with 403 students and 19 homerooms. And just when we thought we couldn't get any bigger, we were chosen as a point of service for 4-year-old Kindergarten next year. Another governmental change we needed to adopt included modifications to the school hours in order to have 2 twenty minute recesses. Starting September, the arrival bell will ring at 9:00am instead of 8:55am and the dismissal bell will ring at 3:40pm instead of 3:20pm. In order to ensure we have enough lunch coverage, Edgewater and St. Pat's agreed to shift lunch hours so the lunch staff can work at both schools. Our lunch hour will now be 12:30pm to 1:20pm.

Speaking of changes, after 20 years since its initial installation, the Kindergarten play structure was inspected, deemed unsafe and had to be dismantled. As the construction planned for this summer had to be postponed, we hope to be able to put up a new structure in the summer of 2020, hopefully as part of the construction budget.

Edgewater continued its involvement with the community by connecting with them through food donations, Grade 4 Kindness Rocks Walk, partnering with the Manoir Sapinois golden age home where Grade 4 students engaged in activities with the elderly, Super Recyclers, socks for the homeless (over 600 pairs!), the Book Club reading with kids at Garderie Elite, sending Christmas cards to the Canadian military (some of which actually landed in Irac and in the hands of a Pincourt Resident!), and hosting a Parent Info Session with the Missing Children Network regarding Online Safety, along with our usual agreements with the city for occasional use of the school property.

Our Home & School association deserves another round of applause for keeping Edgewater entertained and fed with their numerous fundraisers which goes to ensure our students get to enhance their curriculum through arts, music, challenges, projects, and field trips. This year included new fundraisers with an Adult Only Comedy Night and a new offering of Vesey's Bulbs. This was on top of the Cookie Dough, Pizza Days, Spirit Wear, Fundscrip, Mabel's Labels, and other Fundraisers. Because of Home & School, Edgewater and the community were able to enjoy events like Born to Read and Unplug and Play, Art Vernissage, Shop Fest, Annual Dance,

Craft Fair, Movie Night, and the Pizza Party before the Open House. With this much dedication every year, it's our duty, honour, and privilege to support them!

Finally, in what may become an annual event, Edgewater hosted another Hema-Quebec blood drive and brought in 161 donors with 153 who were able to donate!

2018-2019 Governing Board Members

Parents:	Staff:	Administration:
Cassandra Fusco (RA) Christina Maurice Fazio (VC) Derek Patino Laura Humphreys Mike Aragona (Chair) Melissa Nolet (RR) Vanessa Nolet	Daphne Amster Debbie King-Brassard Sandra Nouh Trish Schofield Natalie Rippen-Randle Teresa Borrelli	Shirley Kapitsky (Principal) Beth Miller (Daycare)
Alternates : Sherry Lee Dawson, Ekaterina Kamardina, Krista Brotzel, Mark Armstrong, Kevin Scott		Commissioner: Wayne Clifford
VC = Vice Chair RR = Regional Parent Committee Representative RA = Regional Parent Committee Alternate Sec = Secretary		Community: Claudia Carpanzano (H&S)

Meeting Dates

Meetings were held in the Edgewater Staff Room at 7:00pm on the following dates:

September 18, 2018 October 16, 2018 November 20, 2018 December 11, 2018

January 22, 2019 February 19, 2019 March 19, 2019 April 16, 2019

May 21, 2019 June 11, 2019

The Agendas and approved Minutes of these meetings can be found on the school web site.

Actions and Events

Edgewater prides itself on being very active and Physical Education is at the forefront with students participating in the GMAA soccer tournament, KissSoccer courses, hosting the Ultimate Frisbee tournament for Grade 6, Handball tournament, Cross Country runs for Grades 4 to 6 and a Junior Cross Country run, introduction to Curling for Grades 3 through 6 including a

chance to play on the ice at the Baie D'Urfé curling club, Pilo Polo for Grades 1 and 2, Omnikin, Grade 5 Tchoukball Tournament, Volleyball at JAC for Grades 5 and 6, and the Track & Field meet at Riverdale.

Fundraising events included the annual Terry Fox run where we exceeded expectations and raised over \$10,000, and Jump Rope for Heart where we raised over \$5,600 (\$4,735 of it online!). Other fundraisers included one for CNET where students wore a bright colour to school and brought a loonie or toonie, raising \$662, a Backwards Shirt Day that raised \$182 to sponsor the Ecomuseum, and Grade 4 students raising \$1,100 dollars by selling bracelets from recycled glass and donating it to 4Ocean to help clean up the oceans!

Field Trips included the Village Quebécois D'Antan, the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts, a Grade 6 trip to the Holocaust Museum, Remembrance Day assemblies, the Montreal Aviation Museum, the Centre des Sciences, Musee des Enfants, Notre-Dame-de-Fatima, the Green Summit at Beechwood, Plage Sablon at Sheriffville, and Droulers in St Anicet. Our Grade 6 grad celebrations included an overnight trip to Notre-Dame-de-Fatima, and Super Aqua Club in Pointe-Calumet.

In-school events included the Neurones Atomiques' visit to talk about "les machines simples" and Conducteurs & isolants, Jeunesses Musicales Canada Play on Inventions and L'expédition de la Rythmobile, Nous les Arts, Marionnettes géantes avec le Theatre de la Dame de Coeur, game-making activities with Randolph Animation, and Shine.

Some of the social and cultural events included Canadian Author Eric Walters coming to share his love of books with Grades 5 and 6, motivational speaker Manny Pizarro giving a presentation on his climbing Mount Everest, Italian Language Classes, Grade 6 Canadian Red Cross Babysitting Course, a Technology Fair, Code Mobile in the Library, a Music Concert, a Talent Show, Litterless Lunches, and some Grade 6 students were also invited to the Pincourt Gala to be recognized for leadership, perseverance and excellence!

This year's Anti-Bullying events included motivational speaker and autistic performer Steven Atme on growing up with a disability, Pink Shirt Day assembly, #cutthebull presentation from the Shriners, and KidsPower workshops on building skills around anti-bullying.

We should also mention how active our Daycare is with numerous activities on Ped Days throughout the year such as Bowling, Olympic Park sledding, Sportira Cage, Nid'Otruche, and Sportlife to name a few. This is on top of the regular activities like Carolling and Chess clubs, Pancake breakfasts, Holiday Carnivals, Yoga, art, chess, cooperative games, cooking, active games and backgammon.

Finally, in the spirit of learning and competition, our Book Club once again participated in the KidsLit Heat this time held at the School Board (first time in Quebec!), 5 students from Grades 5/6 attended the "Qui lira, vaincra!" semi-final at the Pearson ElectroTechnology Center (coming in second), 6 students from Grade 4 also went to the LBPSB boardroom for the semi-finals Battle of the Books (coming in third), and our Math Olympians competed and placed in two of the 4 events with a 3rd and a 5th place ribbon!

As amazing as our Facebook page has been in the past, this year the amount of information and photos of year-long activities was the best ever! Most of the items listed in this report (and many others that were left out) were shared on our page. Edgewater is an amazing Elementary School and it's only right that we show our community and School Board a little bit of the greatness that happens in our halls and classes every day!

Adopted by the Edgewater Governing Board

Wed. June 11, 2019

Date

Chairperson

Principal