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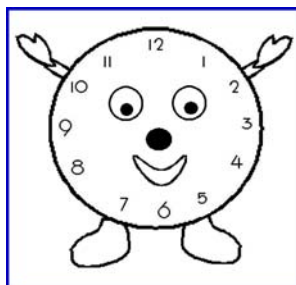
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## SOS LEARN

Free online tutoring and homework help service is back. Students can register now.

Each McDowell student from Cycle 1-3 has a label (placed in agenda) containing LEARN username and password.



Be on time!!!

As you have realized we are now keeping track of late arrivals and recording them on the report card in the attendance box. It is important that each student arrives on time to begin the daily routines with the class. As a reminder the homeroom bell rings at 8:25.

## Operation Christmas Child

Thank you for your overwhelming support for this initiative this year. We filled up 55 shoeboxes. We believe our gifts are being sent to Haiti this year.

## Western Quebec School Board Transportation Policy and Guidelines

Revisions have been made to both documents. Revised versions will be accessible on line on the [wqsb.qc.ca](http://wqsb.qc.ca) website by the beginning of December.

Pay particular attention to: Transportation Policy : pages 3,4 and 5  
Transportation Guideline: pages 3 and 4



## Bouffe Pontiac

Bouffe Pontiac has launched its Christmas Food Drive and McDowell will participate. Traditionally we have made an outstanding contribution to help Pontiac families in need. We will continue to collect non-perishable items until December 9th.

In advance, thank you for your kindness!

## Public Speaking Contest



Public Speaking Contest took place on Friday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 Kate Younge winning 1<sup>st</sup> place. Kate will represent us at the Western Quebec School Board Public Speaking Contest at Greater Gatineau School on December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. Good luck from all of us!!!

## Dropping Off Students in the Morning

More students are being dropped off at the office circle. Thank you for helping us keep your children safe. We have noticed that a small number of parents continue to drop off on Centre Street at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> bus circle and U-Turn in the opposite direction. From 8:15 a.m. onward the front of the school is an extremely high traffic area. Please conform to safety rules for the benefit of your children.

Hey, kids check this out. "Kids InfoBits".

Just google it and have fun.



One example: Planet Orange.

## Parent/Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all parents who attended Parent/Teacher interviews. Showing your interest in your child's education goes a long way!!!!

## Daycare

Daycare has openings for your child. Spots start at \$7. per day. Contact Mavis Palmer at 819-647-3911

## *Our School Vision*

*To foster a safe and caring environment in which each student develops as a life-long learner*