



Dundana Elementary School

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January 2017 Newsletter

Principal Message

Welcome to 2017. I hope you had the opportunity over the winter break to spend time with family and friends and enjoy a rest in your busy lives.

In January, we'll be busy working to finish up all of our first term learning. At the end of the month, our educators will write report cards for all Kindergarten to Grade 5 students, which you'll see come home February 17. I know that our students are working very hard to meet their learning goals in different subject areas. I look forward to reading all about their efforts on those reports!

Indoor Shoes and Outdoor Clothing

It is really important to have indoor shoes at the school for your child to wear while in the building. It is unsafe during our wintery weather to have boots worn in the classrooms and gym as our floors get dangerously slippery. Please make sure your child has proper footwear for class time.

A reminder, too, that we will go outside to play most days during the winter, so please have your child come prepared with appropriate outdoor clothing for the weather. If you have a child that seems to misplace items frequently, please make sure they are clearly labelled. We try to check the lost and found and return items to students regularly.

Safe Drop Off and Pick Up of Students

During the winter weather, entry and dismissal times can become dangerous in and around the school parking lot. If you are bringing a vehicle to the school to transport your child please be reminded to:

- keep the bus zones clear
- avoid blocking private driveways or the school parking lots
- encourage your child to exit/enter the vehicle safely (i.e. not into the road)
- drive cautiously and watch for children walking
- obey the posted street signs

City by-law officers will periodically monitor roads surrounding schools for adherence to road rules. Please help keep all of our students safe!

Supervision Times

Students are supervised beginning at 8:40 in the morning. Students should not be arriving at school earlier than that. As well, if students are at school then it is expected that they will be going out for recess. There is not supervision for students who are too sick to go outside to stay in. If your child is returning to school, they will need to be well enough to participate in the school day, including recess.

Pizza and Milk Sales

Weekly pizza and milk token sales are on Cash Online until Tuesday, January 10. If you would like to order for January/February, please do so before the deadline. Milk will be available in the school beginning January 13.



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Important Dates in January

- January 9 – Welcome back!
- January 10 – Last day to order milk and pizza for January/February
- January 11 – School Council Meeting, 6:30 p.m., library
- January 12 – Lunch Wizard forms for January due back at school
- January 13 – Pizza Day
- January 13 – Spirit Day – Beach day
- January 13 – First day of milk distribution for the new year
- January 18 – Lunch Wizard day
- January 19 – Cartoon Workshop for grades 2 to 5
- January 20 – Pizza Day
- January 25 – Lunch Wizard day
- January 26 – Pizza Day
- January 27 – P.A. Day, no school for students
- January 31 – Celebration Assembly, 9:10 a.m., gym
- January 31 – F.I. Information Night, 7-8 p.m., Dundana gym