



Dundana Elementary School

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December 2018 Newsletter

Principal's Message

It is always exciting to see the amount of progress students make in their learning between September and December. Going into classrooms and getting to hear student thinking and see products of their work is the absolute best part of my job. I was reminded recently, though, how evidence of student learning has changed quite significantly since I started in this profession a few decades ago. We focus so much more on innovative and varied applications to learning instead of the rote repetition of learned skills. We focus on students' abilities to communicate their own unique thinking instead of recitation of facts learned. It's not to say that our students don't learn facts and skills – they certainly do – but they get to show so much more. I hope you get the opportunity to have your child teach you some of their ideas and acquired skills.

School Council Update

Our thanks to all of the family members who have supported one or more of the School Council's fundraising initiatives. Weekly pizza, Lunch Lady, Scholastic book fairs, Meet the Teacher BBQs, and Winter green orders have all raised funds that the council uses to support students in the school. So far this year, funds raised were used to purchase agendas, booking an upcoming indigenous dance workshop for our students, and distributing books to all of the classrooms. If you would like to know more about the council and its upcoming plans, please attend our meetings. We meet each month on the first Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the school library.

Popcorn Sales for PE

Our PE department sells Kernels popcorn every day at 2nd nutrition break for \$2 (cash only) in the gym. Funds raised through these sales purchases additional PE equipment that is used with all of our students. If your child is interested in purchasing popcorn, just send in a toonie any day.

Calendar of Events

Dec 13	Gr 2 trip, festival of light
Dec 14	Winter Concert, 9:10 a.m., gymnasium
Dec 20	Celebration Assembly for award winners, 9:10, gymnasium
Dec 21	Spirit Day – Pyjama day and Movie Madness
Dec 24- Jan 4	Winter holidays – no school
January 7	First day of 2019 school year – welcome back!