



Dundana Elementary School

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DUNDANA NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2025:

Hello Dundana families!

It is hard to believe that we are already well into the start of our second term at Dundana School! As you are aware, the first Report Card was sent home in February giving our parents and caregivers an opportunity to discuss achievement with their child and focus on growth and improvement through goal setting and next steps. We value the importance of a home and school connection and appreciate the support that you provide at home to ensure your child is meeting with success in all subject areas. Spring is approaching and learning is in full swing here at Dundana School. As you may know, this is a time of year that students make the most academic and social learning improvements. Make school a priority. Very soon the weather will change with spring right around the corner. It can be challenging to keep our children focused on learning. The second Report Card will go home at the end of June to reflect achievement from February through to June. Please feel free to contact your child's teacher to discuss questions you may have around their progress and achievement in Term 1.

We wish our families and students a wonderful March Break week to rest and recharge for the remainder of the school year. Wishing you an enjoyable break and month ahead! As I continue to settle into my role as principal here at Dundana, I realize how much students, families and staff have done for me and for that, I truly thank you. As always, if you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me at the school.

Read on for further information about what will be happening at our school in March.

Sue Pasian – Principal

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:

Children born in 2021 or 2020 who are not currently registered at school are now eligible to register for JK (2021) or SK (2020). Please go to the website for more details and the online registration information:

<https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/kindergarten/>



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 5th - Pizza Day (pre-orders only; this can be done on School Cash online up until Sunday, March 2nd)

March 5th – Pick-up Terra Cotta cookie orders from the front foyer between 2 pm and 5:30 pm for those families who placed an order

March 7th – Beach Day: Today we're leaving winter behind and getting ready for warmer days ahead! Wear your bright summery clothing, beach/tropical flower patterns, accessories like sunglasses, hats, flower leis, etc., and shoes that are safe and appropriate for Phys. Ed. and DPA. Please leave the following at home: flip flops, swimwear, large props (e.g. pool noodles, surfboards). Students should still be protected from the weather. Wear your usual winter clothes for outside, but dress appropriately for the spirit day under your coats, snowpants and boots!

March 9th – Daylight Savings Time begins. Put your clocks ahead an hour and we're one step closer to spring!

March 10th- 14th – March Break – Enjoy the week off!

March 19th – Pizza Day (pre-orders only; this can be done on School Cash online up until Sunday, March 16th)

March 21st - Grade 3 trip to Crawford Lake

Dundana School is a busy place and updates will be posted on our website or via School Messenger to keep you informed of the many things going on here.

News from the Dundana School Council:

- There is no School Council meeting in March. The next meeting is on Thursday, April 24th from 6:30 – 8:00 in the Dundana Library.
- Pizza days are being held on March 5th and March 19th. See below for ordering deadlines. If anyone would like to volunteer for pizza days, or has questions for our School Council, they can email dundanapta@gmail.com



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- Thank you Dundana Families for your support with our **Terra Cotta Cookie fundraiser**, it was a great success!!! The funds raised will be used to help support fun and exciting activities happening around the school. Cookies will be only available for pick up on **Wednesday March 5th from 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.** at Dundana. Please bring your own bag.
- Dundana School Council is excited to announce our 2nd annual school **Read-A-Thon** that will be taking place this March. Students who participate in the Read-A-Thon will log how much they can read in a month with help and encouragement from teachers and parents and guidance from the school council about how to track their reading. All students who participate are eligible to win prizes, announced in April following the Read-A-Thon. Family members and friends can support a student's participation with donations through SchoolCash Online or through the following website to receive a tax receipt. All donations that require a tax receipt have to go through HWDSB Foundation. When making a donation through the Foundation you must specify in the comments that it is for **Dundana School**. <https://www.hwdsb.on.ca/foundation/> Stay tuned for more Read-A-Thon information!
- See below for more information on our upcoming **Purdy's Chocolate Spring Fundraiser**! 25% of sales will go directly back to the school, plus we will all be supporting a Canadian chocolatier. Please order by March 29th. All orders must be picked up at the school between April 15th – 17th.

Purdy's Fundraiser - Timeline of events

- Order your chocolates now until Thursday March 28th
 - <https://fundraising.purdys.com/2110217-126754>
- More information to follow later this week!
- Pickup instructions will be sent by email w/o April 7-10
- Pickup orders at Dundana by parents April 14-17
 - Outstanding orders sent home with students on Thursday April 17th
- Find the catalogue at:
<https://www.purdys.com/media/wysiwyg/GnF/easter2025/FR-Easter-Catalogue-2025-Final-Digital.pdf>
- Pickup your paper copy in the school office



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SAVE THE DATE!

Dundana School Council is joining the Sir William Osler School Council to present this workshop for parents / caregivers on **Friday, May 30th, 2025.**
More information will be coming soon!

SOCIAL MEDIA AND ONLINE SAFETY AN EVENING FOR PARENTS WITH PAUL DAVIS

TOPICS INCLUDE

SOCIAL MEDIA
SMARTPHONES
DIGITAL TRAILS
CYBERBULLYING
IMAGE SHARING
ONLINE GAMING
ONLINE GROOMING
& PRIVACY

