



Dundana Elementary School

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DUNDANA NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2026:

Hello Dundana families!

It's hard to believe we are already well into our second term at Dundana School! In February, families received the first Report Card, providing an opportunity to reflect on student achievement, discuss progress, and set meaningful goals for continued growth. We truly value the partnership between home and school and appreciate the support you provide to help your child succeed across all subject areas.

With spring on the horizon, learning is in full swing here at Dundana. This is often a time of year when students make significant academic and social gains. As the weather begins to warm, it can sometimes be challenging for students to stay focused, so we encourage families to help keep school routines and learning a priority. The second Report Card, reflecting progress from February through June, will be sent home at the end of the school year. If you have any questions about your child's learning or Term 1 achievement, please don't hesitate to reach out to their teacher.

We wish all our students and families a wonderful March Break—a chance to rest, recharge, and return ready for a strong finish to the year. As always, if you have any questions or concerns, 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 Pasion – Principal

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION:

Children born in 2022 or 2021 who are not currently registered at school are now eligible to register for JK (2022) or SK (2021). Please go to the HWDSB website for more details and the online registration information. Registering your child for Kindergarten as soon as possible helps us plan for the most successful start-up in September.

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

BUS RIDERS:

If your child is eligible to ride a school bus, but is no longer riding, or doesn't require bus service any longer, please let HWSTS know of this change. This will help them to maintain accurate records for route planning and ridership.



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UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 4th - Hot Dog Day (pre-orders only – online ordering is now closed)

March 6th – P.A. Day – no school for students

March 8th – Daylight Savings Time begins. Put your clocks ahead an hour and we're one step closer to spring!

March 11th – Pick up Terra Cotta Cookie orders (3:00 – 5:15 p.m. at the school)

March 11th – Pizza Day (pre-orders only; this can be done on School Cash online up until Sunday, March 8th)

March 12th – Grades 3 and 5 trip to Crawford Lake

March 12th – Dundana School Council meeting in the Library (6:30 – 8:00 p.m.)

March 13th – last day to order Purdy's Chocolates (see flyer below)

March 13th – 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 16th- 20th – March Break – Enjoy the week off!

March 25th – Pizza Day (pre-orders only; this can be done on School Cash online up until Sunday, March 22nd)

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.



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News from the Dundana School Council:

- Our next School Council meeting is on Thursday, March 12th at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is planned for in-person (Dundana school library), however, participants may also choose to attend remotely via MS Teams. Any parent or guardian of a student at Dundana is welcome to attend. If you would like an MS Teams invitation to attend, please email spasian@hwdsb.on.ca by March 10th. No invitation is needed to attend the meeting in person.
- Pizza days are being held on March 11th and March 25th. 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
- 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 11th from 3:00 – 5:15 p.m.** at Dundana. Please bring your own bag.
- 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 13th. All orders must be picked up at the school between March 31st – April 2nd.

***DUNDANA
Elementary
Easter Chocolate
Fundraiser***

[Fundraising | Dundana Easter
Fundraiser | Purdys
chocolate fundraiser](#)

ORDER BY MARCH 13th!

How do you eat your chocolate bunny?

ears first?

tail first?

feet first?



Orders will be available for pickup
at the Dundana front lobby:
March 31, April 1, 2
8:45–9:00 or 3:00–3:15





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SUPPORTING OUR OLYMPIC ATHLETES



We have been keeping track of the medal count on our front foyer bulletin board. It was great to see students checking in each morning to see which countries were winning Olympic medals. We also had the chance to watch the men's and women's playoff Olympic hockey games and cheer on Canada. Thanks Mrs. Frank for keeping our medal count up-to-date. Soon we will be changing the focus of our board to the Paralympic Games.



MARCH "MATH"NESS AT DUNDANA



Thanks Ms. Davey for creating our community Sudoku board at the front entrance to the school. Students (and staff!) have been having lots of fun trying to solve the puzzles! Next time you're in the school, feel free to join in and add a number or two to the board! Our focus on school-wide math fun will continue through the month of March with different weekly challenges that the whole school can participate in. Ask your child about Battleship, Guess the Number and Estimation Mysteries to find out more!



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Meet the speaker

Katherine Martinko



"Hello. I'm Katherine, an author & speaker. My goal is to reclaim childhood from screens."

May
21 | 7-8pm

Dundas Central
School

FREE admission

Navigating device use has become one of parenting's biggest challenges. Join us for a talk by Katherine Martinko, author of "Childhood Unplugged", that will be full of practical strategies for putting digital media in its rightful place



Presented by the
UNPLUGGED DUNDAS
CENTRAL team

Let's learn together as we raise our kids in this highly digitized online world.