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Dates to Remember:

Feb. 4 - National Sweater Day

Feb. 11 - 100th Day of School

Feb. 12 - PA Day (no school)

Feb. 15 - Family Day (no school)

Feb. 15 - DSBN Academy Registration Closes

Feb. 16 - French Immersion Registration Closes

Feb 18 & 19 - Report Cards Go Home

Feb. 24 - Pink Shirt Day

Term 1 Report Card Update

Elementary Provincial Report Card (Grades 1-8) and the Kindergarten: Communication of Learning

Due to the extension of remote learning, the Elementary Provincial Report Card (Grades 1-8) and the Kindergarten: Communication of Learning will be issued over two days between February 18-19. Families can expect to receive additional information about the Report Card distribution process from their school administrator, once further information about the return to "in-person learning" becomes available.

Report cards give a summary of student achievement at the end of each term. Teachers use their professional judgement and consider factors such as consistency, recent improvement and amount of evidence in order to determine students' grades or marks. Teachers and students work together to gather evidence of their learning over time from observations, conversations and student products.

This year, the Ontario Ministry of Education updated the [math curriculum](#) for Grades 1 to 8 which started in September 2020. The new mathematics curriculum is part of a [four-year math strategy](#) designed to:

- improve student performance in math
- help students solve everyday math

problems

- increase students' employability to attain the jobs of the future

Updates to Assessment and Evaluation in Mathematics (Grades 1-8)

To foster a cohesive approach to both instruction and assessment across the elementary mathematics curriculum, achievement in mathematics will be reported in the **Elementary Report Card** as one overall letter grade (Grades 1-6) or percentage mark (Grades 7-8), with supporting comments. Comments will describe significant strengths demonstrated by the student, and identify next steps for improvement. Teachers may also describe a student's growth in learning.

The Ministry has provided more information about the new math curriculum for parents on the following website: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/new-math-curriculum-grades-1-8>.

If you have any questions, please make arrangements to speak with your child's teacher.



DATE: THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021

TIME: 6:45 P.M. (via Zoom)

EVENT: PAUL DAVIS PRESENTATION - SOCIAL NETWORKING AND ONLINE SAFETY

<https://socialnetworkingsafety.net/>

WHY WE WEAR PINK

KINDNESS
IS ONE SIZE
Fits All

The origins of Pink Shirt Day are noble! Started by 2 high school students in Cambridge, Nova Scotia, these 2 ordinary boys did something extraordinary that has been recognized nation-wide. When they found out that another male student in their school was targeted and teased because he was wearing a pink shirt, the two boys headed out after school in search of pink shirts.

They found several, 50 of them, and the next day there was a show of solidarity amongst the students. 50 of them were waiting in the foyer of the school wearing pink shirts, their way of sending the message “BULLYING STOPS HERE”. The story spread. Pink Shirt Day is becoming nationally recognized as the day we wear pink and say “Bullying stops here”.

Pink is certainly the colour of choice. Pink is used as a symbol of peace. Pink flowers mean friendship, pink ribbons show support for Breast Cancer research and pink moons mean that we will finish all of our tasks that are so far left undone. Pink has the strength and passion of red, and the softness of white. It soothes the eyes and makes people smile.

We think we should wear pink more often. We think we should think of more good things for pink. And then Pink Shirt Day will no longer be a one day event, but a statement we make when we get dressed in the morning.

On **Wednesday, February 24th**, we encourage everyone to wear PINK! Don't be afraid to make a stand!

NATIONAL SWEATER DAY



On Thursday, February 4th, everyone is encouraged to participate in National Sweater Day. National Sweater Day is an annual event organized by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Canada. On National Sweater Day, WWF asks Canadians from coast to coast to turn down their thermostats by two degrees Celsius at home, at school and at work to highlight the

role that energy conservation plays in preventing climate change.

So, take out your warmest sweater, turn down your thermostat and participate in Sweater Day!!!





Hi! I'm Barkley. Your child's Kindergarten sidekick.

I'm here to tell you that it's time to register for Kindergarten!

Normally I'd invite you inside one of our Kindergarten classrooms so you and your child could look around with me, but to keep each other safe, we have to wait to do that another time. What I can do is help you find all the information you need to register your child for Kindergarten at the DSNB! I put it on www.dsnb.org/kindergarten for you. It has important information like:

- How to register your child online
- A video about a typical day in Kindergarten
- A Kindergarten classroom 360° virtual tour
- An e-book about how I overcame my first day fears



Register today at dsnbn.org/kindergarten. I can't wait to meet you and your child at school!

Now, for parents of Senior Kindergarten Students it's easier than ever to...

Say "Oui!" to French Immersion at the DSNB



Registration for Grade 1 French Immersion for the 2021-2022 school year is still open until February 16, 2021. Please go to www.dsnb.org/fi to register for your SK student to attend Central French Immersion in the fall.

If you any questions regarding French Immersion , please call the office at Central at 905-945-5459.

Explore



Virtual Open House
February 8, 2021 at 6:00PM
academy.dsnb.org

The DSNB Academy is a Grade 6-12 public school designed to support and empower students to be the first in their family to graduate from college or university. Staff and students are committed to the belief that, with hard work, all students can achieve their dreams.

Online registration opens on JANUARY 7, 2021 at ACADEMY.DSNB.ORG/APPLY. Registration will close on FEBRUARY 15, 2021. Limited spots available.

Don't forget to place any Indigo Chapters orders through our fundraising site -

<https://indigofundraising.flipgive.com/f/1393928>

A percentage of your purchase is donated to our school! Share this link with family and friends! Thank you to all that have participated!



Check out our Website!!

<http://gainsborough.dsnb.org/>