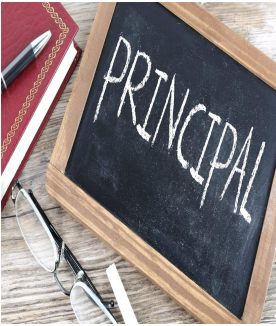




The Dragon's Den



FEBRUARY 2023 EDITION



From The Office

January finished with some cold and snowy weather but on the positive side, students were able to use it to their advantage and have some fun in the snow. According to various groundhogs we have mixed results, so either way we still have some cold weather to contend with.

Our Intermediate basketball teams are having successful seasons thus far, both with 4-1 records in the season. We wish them the best of luck, as they finish off their regular season, followed by the playoffs.

On February 14th, some classes will be doing Valentine's Day activities, but it is also Kindness Awareness Week from the 13th to the 16th. We will be recognizing simple acts of kindness that enable our school to be a kinder, safer, healthier and a more inclusive place to work, learn and play.

We are preparing for report cards to go home on February 16th. Staff and students will use the information in the report cards to set goals, as we begin term 2. We encourage all families to review the report cards with their children and talk about setting goals for the next term. Just a reminder that there is no school for students on February 17th, as it is a PD Day. Please note that February 20th is also Family Day, so there will be no school that day as well.

We had a highly successful Kindergarten Open House Day on February 2nd, meeting our future Dragons. Registration will continue throughout the spring - please register if you have a child that will be entering JK in September or contact the office to get more information.

This month staff and students will be celebrating Pink Shirt Day on February 22nd to recognize and celebrate bullying prevention. Staff and students will talk about bullying and how we can all help to stop it. Students are encouraged to wear pink that day to show their support for this important initiative.

Finally, February is Black History Month throughout the DSBN. Throughout the month, all classes will be participating in a variety of activities to learn about an important piece of Canada's past, present and future.

Have a great month of February!

Mr. B. Mayhew
Principal

Mrs. M. Verwey
Vice Principal



Students of the Month - January

Congratulations to the following students who were recognized as Students of the Month for January:

K1 -

K2 - Nimrat, Jesse

K3 - Luca, Amber

Gr. 1 - Zelda L, Easton S.

Gr. 1/2 - Charlotte, Vanity H.

Gr. 2 - Athena V., Konrad E.

Gr. 2/3 - Owen C., Luka L.

Gr. 3 - Addison R., Abby W.

Gr. 3 - Bradley D, Katie W.

SSP - Kyle T.

FSP - Claire C.

Gr. 4 - Ella D., Dexter G.

Gr. 4 - Althea K., Marleigh S., Dain L.

Gr. 5 - Johnny G., Emily H.

Gr. 5 - Alisha B., Ava O.

Gr. 6 - Kaleigh G., Emma B.

Gr. 6/7 - Violet D., Izabella K.

Gr. 7 - Willow B., Malachi B.

Gr. 8 - Allora S., Evyn D.

Gr. 8 - Zubeda M., Breanne T.

FSL Jr. - Emily H., Ryker M.

FSL Int. - Kaytlynn O.

French Immersion at the DSBN

At the DSBN, students who are interested in signing up for French Immersion begin the program at the start of Grade 1. Students in French Immersion take the same subjects as those in the English Grade 1 program. Children are introduced to the French language through repetition, gestures and songs. In the 21st century, our goal for language learning is authentic communication.

Online registration is open until February 21st. For more information, please go to the DSBN website and click on the French Immersion tab.



Parent Council Meeting

Our next Parent Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 28th at 6:30pm. Parents are welcome to attend either in person or join us virtually. Please consider attending this event and have a say on future events at Diamond Trail. If interested, please contact the main office.

Inclement Weather



There are times in Niagara when weather conditions are so poor that we must cancel student transportation, and/or close schools to preserve the safety of students and staff.

The decision to cancel transportation and/or close schools is not taken lightly; a variety of factors are considered when making this choice. To learn more about how these decisions are made, please go to <https://www.dsbn.org/inclementweather>.

Transportation Cancellations: Information about transportation delays and cancellations are posted to <https://portal.nsts.ca/Cancellations.aspx>. When transportation is cancelled, information is shared before 6:00 am on the day of the cancellation. There are times when transportation is cancelled, but schools remain open. If, on those days you feel it is best for your child to stay home, please report your child's absence <https://dsbn.org/safearrival/> so we can make sure they are safe at home.

