

BOWMORE ROAD BULLETIN

Friday, November 22, 2024



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School Website

Please visit our school website for important information and upcoming events.

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/bowmore/>

Principal's Message

As I write this, I'm up at Muskoka Woods with our Grade 7 students and Grade 8 leaders from Bowmore. By the time you read this, we'll be back home after what has been an incredible experience for both staff and students. Grade 7 is a big transition year at Bowmore, as we bring students together from different schools. Building a sense of community early in the school year is so important, and Muskoka Woods has been the perfect place to do that. It's been great to see the students mixing, making new friends, and getting to know one another. I've also been impressed by the Grade 8 leaders—watching them guide activities and run games has been a highlight. A huge thank you to the staff for all the effort they've put into organizing this trip and for giving up their time to be here with the students. It's been a truly rewarding experience for everyone involved.

Upcoming Important Dates

- Nov 26th - Photo Retake Day
- Nov 29th: PA Day
- Dec 9th: Live Differently Presentation (Grade 7/8)
- Dec 12th: Pizza lunch
- Dec 12th: Kindergarten Concert @4:30 pm -5:30 pm
- Dec 12th: Primary Concert @ 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm
- Dec 20th: Last day of classes before break
- Winter Break Dec 21nd - Jan 5th

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY

Friday, November 29, 2024 - Federation Day (Elementary Teachers of Toronto)

Target Audience: All Staff - Elementary

Topics: Literacy, Mathematics, Curriculum Implementation, Student Well-Being and Belonging

Length: Full Day (in-person and virtual options)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): TDSB Staff and External Facilitator

Description: Educators will engage in a variety of professional learning workshops focused on effective strategies to support student learning centred on the following:

- K-8 Instructional Strategies
- Literacy Instruction K-8
- Mathematics Instruction K-8
- Student Well-Being K-8
- Anti-Bullying Skills For the Classroom

Professional Learning will also consider factors such as equity and human rights in education, anti-racism, and anti-discrimination, and equitable learning opportunities for students with special education needs.

Special Education and Inclusion Parent/Guardian/Caregiver Sessions

Special Education and Inclusion is pleased to offer a variety of drop-in and topic-specific sessions for parents, guardians, and caregivers throughout the 2024-2025 school year. These sessions provide valuable information, resources, and support to help families navigate special education programs and services.

Please share the links below with families through your regular school communication (email blast, blog, newsletter, etc.).

[Drop-In Sessions-Families](#)

[Parent Engagement Sessions-Families](#)

Kindergarten Registration for September 2025



Children who will be four by December 31, 2025, can start Junior Kindergarten in September 2025. Learn more about [Kindergarten at the TDSB](#), [Before- and After-School Programs](#) and [Extended Day Programs](#).

Register for English Kindergarten

Registration for English Kindergarten programs will begin in January 2025. We look forward to welcoming you and your child!

- Only parents or legal guardians can register a child.
- There is a separate process to apply for [out-of-area admissions](#). Please contact [alternative schools](#) or [elementary academies](#) directly for more information.
- If your child currently attends child care at a TDSB school that is not your designated home school, and you wish to register for Kindergarten at that school, an out-of-area admissions application may not be required. Please review the [Out of Area Admissions Policy and Procedure](#) and, if eligible, proceed with the in-person registration option outlined below.

Early French Immersion

The Early French Immersion program begins in Junior Kindergarten (JK). **Families who wish to have their child participate in an Early French Immersion Program must apply in November 2024.** To apply, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/pars.

For September 2025 entry, the application process closed on November 29, 2024. Applications submitted after the deadline will be marked as late and accommodated if space in the program is available.

In February, only those families who applied in November and have accepted an offer of placement for their child via the [central application process](#) can register for Early French Immersion.

Supporting Our Community: Feed Scarborough Online Free Community Grocery Store

Looking to make a difference this holiday season? Check out the *Feed Scarborough Online Free Community Grocery Store*! This incredible initiative provides groceries to those in need, ensuring everyone has access to healthy and nutritious food.

If your family or someone you know could use extra support, the Feed Scarborough Online Free Community Grocery Store is here to help. This free service provides access to healthy groceries for those in need, ensuring no one goes without.

Visit their website to learn more or support their efforts: [Feed Scarborough Grocery Store](#).

Together, we can help fight food insecurity in our community!

Bowmore Hoodies

Available to order for a limited time



Order on School Cash Online [only until Friday November 22nd](#)

\$38 | Black or Red | Youth and Adult Sizes | bowmorespiritwear@gmail.com

Bowmore Hoodies - LAST CHANCE!

Last chance to order your Bowmore hoodies. They are available in red or black, in youth and adult sizes. \$38 each (incl tax) and must be ordered through School Cash Online. Hoodies will be distributed to students in December. *Note: Photos are for reference only to show the design and the colours, they are not the final product. For quality and size reference, they will be the same Gildan style used for past spiritwear hoodies.* If you have any questions, please email bowmorespiritwear@gmail.com.

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO PLACE YOUR ORDER.](#)

Any funds raised by Bowmore School Council through spiritwear orders will support various programs, events, activities and equipment to enrich students' education at all grade levels and across all disciplines.

Bowmore Cares Fund

At Bowmore, all students should be able to participate in school events and activities without financial barriers. The Bowmore Cares Fund is a community-supported fund managed by the school that assists families within our Bowmore community who may need extra support to participate in school programs and events, including spiritwear.

For more information on accessing or contributing to the Bowmore Cares program, please contact Vice Principal Kosta Flegas at Konstantinos.Flegas@tdsb.on.ca.

Lost and Found OPEN School Days!



Check the Lost and Found Before Items Are Donated!

Dear Families,

Please visit our school's Lost and Found to check for missing belongings. The collection has grown, and we want to ensure all misplaced items make their way back home. Unclaimed items will be donated at the end of November, so please stop by before then to retrieve anything your child may have misplaced.

Thank you for helping us keep our Lost and Found manageable and supporting sustainability!

Bowmore Nutrition Program (Week of November 25, 2024)

Nov 25th -Nov 28th

Monday	Waffle Crisps
Tuesday	Apples
Wednesday	Muffins
Thursday	Popcorn
Friday	PA DAY

The Nutrition Team: bowmoresnack@gmail.com

Pizza Lunch

Thank you to everyone who participated in our pizza lunch today! Funds raised go back into our school and help support programs such as author visits, science in the classroom, robotics in the library, and Bowmore's many teams and clubs.

Our next pizza lunch is on Thursday, December 12. Please note this is a Thursday and not a Friday.

Ordering is open now on Lunchbox and **will close at noon on Sunday, December 8.**

For more information on pizza lunch and how to order, please visit the school website at:

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/bowmore/Pizza-Lunch>

Grade 8 Graduation Committee

Are you the parent of a child in the eighth grade this school year? The Parent Council's Grade 8 Graduation Committee has been established and is looking for volunteers. If you are interested in participating in the planning process, please contact us at bowmoregrad2025@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Angie & Katie

Grade 8 to 9 transition

A smooth transition from Grade 8 to Grade 9 contributes to a strong foundation for success in secondary school and beyond. Grade 8 is a time for students to look to the future and begin thinking about their selection of courses for Grade 9 and throughout high school. The information and links below will assist Grade 8 students and families in planning:

- [Open Houses and Information Sessions](#)
- [TDSB Beyond 8 website](#)
- [Out-of-Area Admissions](#)
- [Secondary Schools without a Boundary](#)
- [Central Student Interest Programs website](#)

Please note: There is a 'Translate' button at the top of the TDSB website that will translate the contents of the web pages to your preferred language.



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HOW TO APPLY

DEC.03.2024
6:30pm - 8:30pm

- Learn about our school
- Self-guided tours
- Treats!
- Learn about the **new application process.**

Location
800 Greenwood Ave. (up the stairs and into the auditorium) Those with disabilities can enter through the door at Strathmore and Greenwood.

See you all there!

EASTDALE COLLEGIATE

Open House

Tuesday, November 26
from 6-8 p.m.



See you there!

701 Gerrard Street East
Principal Angel Lau
416-393-9630



Join us to:

- * See fellow students
- * Meet our administration
- * Meet our teachers
- * Tour the school
- * See classroom demos.
- * Learn about our curriculum

