

DALLINGTON PS

January Newsletter 2025



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TAMIL HERITAGE MONTH
January 2025



Kinship:
ungub barin uneyig Gadhil // Yaadhum Oore Yaavarum Kelir
To us, all towns are one, and all people are our kin



TEAMWORK MONTH

Dallington School Schedule

- **School Start: 8:10 AM**
- Period 1 = 8:15 - 8:55 AM
- Period 2 = 8:55 - 9:35 AM
- **Morning Recess: 9:35 AM - 9:50 AM**
- Period 3 = 9:50 - 10:30 AM
- Period 4 = 10:30 - 11:00 AM
- **Lunch: 11:00 AM - 11:55 AM**
- Period 5 = 12:00 - 12:30 PM
- Period 6 = 12:30 - 1:10 PM
- **Afternoon Recess: 1:10 PM - 1:25 PM**
- Period 7 = 1:25 - 2:05 PM
- Period 8 = 2:05 - 2:45 pm
- **Dismissal: 2:45 PM** (All classes)



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Superintendent: Mr. Kurt McIntosh

Principal | Directeur: Mr. Frank Costa
Vice-Principal | Directeur-adjoint: Mr. Jared Baker
Office Administrator: Ms. Carolyn Klausen
Office Secretary: Ms. Monica Eder (AM)
School Council Chair: Alice Mansourian

LATEST UPDATES

It was very exciting to return to Dallington on January 6th and pick up where we left off. The students seemed a little tired, but ultimately happy to be back. It didn't take long for announcements to come pouring in for the various extracurricular activities.

We would like to extend our appreciation to so many of you who were able to come out for our Winter Concerts. We enjoy having our families come into the school and seeing some of the things our students have been up to. We know that our School Council has some events planned and we look forward to seeing you all back in the building again soon.

A reminder to parents and guardians to ensure that students are dressed appropriately for winter weather. Boots, mittens/gloves, snow pants, scarves and coats are essential during this time of the year. Should a cancellation or closure be necessary, information will be posted on the TDSB web site and TDSB social media by 6 a.m. Visit the website to learn about [Snow/Cold Weather](#) and the [Procedure for Severe Weather](#).

TDSB looks forward to welcoming Kindergarten students for the 2025-26 school year and registration for English begins in January! To attend Junior Kindergarten in September 2025, children must turn four-years-old by December 31. To attend Senior Kindergarten in September 2025, children must be five-years-old by December 31.

Extra-curricular activities are alive and well at Dallington. Remind your child to get involved!!!!!!

Please be advised that Term 1 report cards will be going home on Wednesday 12, 2025 and Parent/Teacher meeting will take place February 13th & 14th.

We have a lot of fun and meaningful activities on the horizon. Please stay tuned for more information.



The TPS Lunchtime Program is a blast!

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Happy New Year to all our students and families! We hope 2025 brings joy, health, and success to everyone. As we closed out 2024, we celebrated the arrival of winter with a beautifully decorated front foyer and hosted a Winter MOVEMENT fun day in collaboration with Professor Jamz. It was a wonderful event, with students, staff, and even Council volunteers coming together for a day of fun and celebration.



We are approaching the end of our first-term lunches, with just two dates remaining: January 16th and 30th. Second-term pizza lunches will start on February 13th. Orders for Term 2 pizza lunches are now open on School Cash Online. We look forward to another successful term, supported by our dedicated student leaders and the amazing parent and guardian volunteers. We are also planning our first fundraiser of the year—a Movie Night! More details will be shared soon.



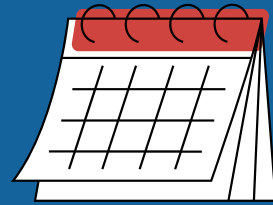
Please note that our upcoming Parent Council meeting, scheduled for February 13th, will be postponed due to a scheduling conflict. We will share the new date soon. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause. If you're interested in volunteering with the Council or have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us at 0085SC01@tdsb.on.ca. Thank you for your continued support!



Warm regards, Parent Council



UPCOMING DATES



JANUARY 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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- Pizza Lunch - Please try to send a reusable container!**
- Subway Lunch**
- Cookie Sales**
- Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu**
- PD Day - School closed**
- Eco Team Meeting**
- Donations for Clothing Drive**
- Clothing Swap**
- Family Literacy Day**

DECEMBER 2024



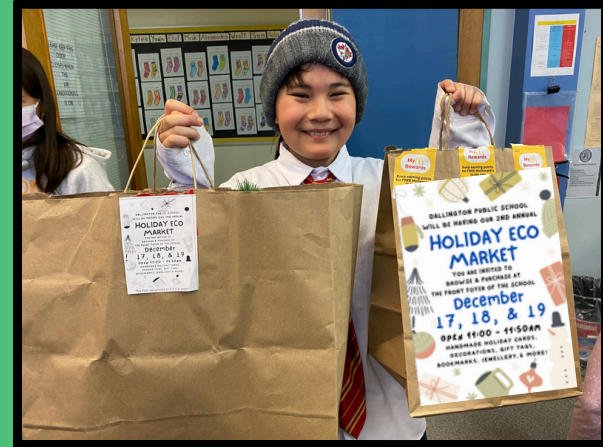
Students in Mme Gahongerwa's and Mme Baghdassarian's Kindergarten classes learned about Holidays with patterns!

Ms. Burger's grade 2/3 students learned how to create art using plasticine and clay inspired by Barbara Reid's books. The students have really enjoyed completing their own Barbara Reid inspired art. Take a look at their work!



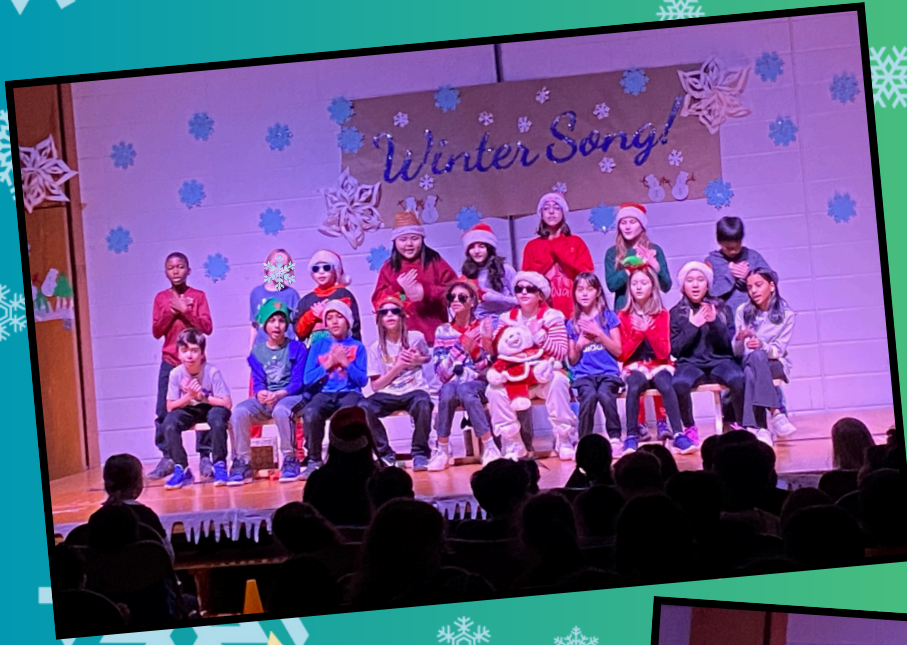
DALLINGTON ECO TEAM

Thank you to everyone who came and supported our Eco Holiday Market in December 2024! It was a great success.



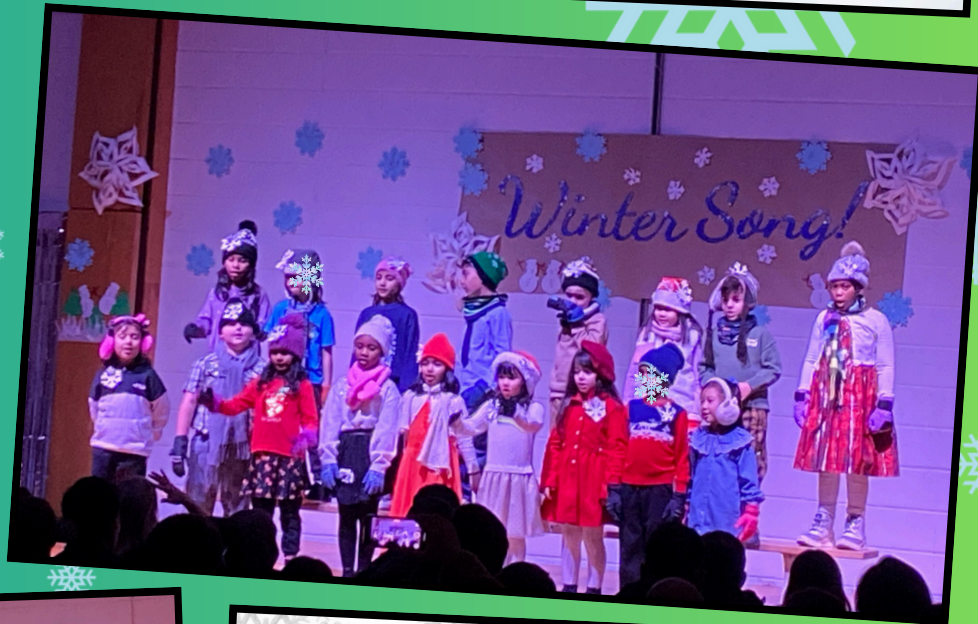
A BIG thank you to our entire Eco Team and a special thank you to our Grade 5 Eco Leaders who helped set up and run the market!

WINTER CONCERTS



*Dallington
Public School*
**WINTER
CONCERTS**

*Thank you to
the families
for coming!*



**A special thank you to our
Winter Concert Staff
Committee and all of the
students and staff who
contributed to make both
concert nights special!**



SPECIAL EVENTS

DuffleBag THEATRE

CINDERELLA - DEC. 2024



COOKIE SALES



Our cookie sales will be back every Tuesday at recess in January 2025!

- 1 Cookie for \$2.00
- 2 Cookies for \$3.00
- 3 Cookies for \$5.00





FAMILY LITERACY DAY

AT DALLINGTON P.S.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24TH, 2025

STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO WEAR THEIR PYJAMAS/COZY CLOTHES AND BRING THEIR FAVOURITE BOOK AND STUFFED TOY TO SCHOOL. PARENTS/CAREGIVERS ARE INVITED TO READ A STORY IN ANY LANGUAGE TO THEIR CHILD'S CLASS. PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER TO ARRANGE A SHORT VISIT.



WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE



DALLINGTON WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE & SWAP

Kindly donate gently used or like new clothing and winter outdoor attire such as sweaters, pants, snow pants, jackets, mittens, and boots. Please send donations with your child(ren) to school and/or drop off items at the front foyer.

All sizes will be accepted.

Please ensure items are washed and clean.

The collection will take place on:



- Wednesday, January 15th, 2025
 - Please drop off at the front of the school



The free 'shop' and swap will take place on:

- Thursday, January 16th, 2025 @ lunch (11:00 - 11:45 am) and after school in the upper gym (3:00 - 4:00 pm)



DALLINGTON ATHLETICS



Boys Volleyball

Congratulations to our boys volleyball team that trained hard and had a great season!

GO DRAGONS GO!

Girls Basketball

Congratulations to our girls basketball team that were conference finalists this year!

GREAT WORK DRAGONS!



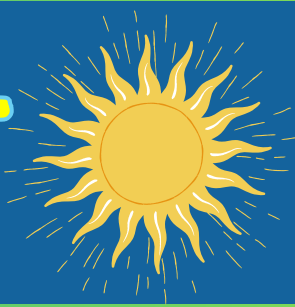
Athletics Updates & Announcements

- Grade 5 Girls Volleyball and Grade 5 Boys Basketball started try outs in December and teams are up and running in January.
- Indoor Cricket will now have 2 practices a week after school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- House Leagues: Congrats to the Yellow House who won Dallington's second house cup! They were the winners for December 2024. Good luck to the teams this month & have fun!





JANUARY IS TAMIL HERITAGE MONTH



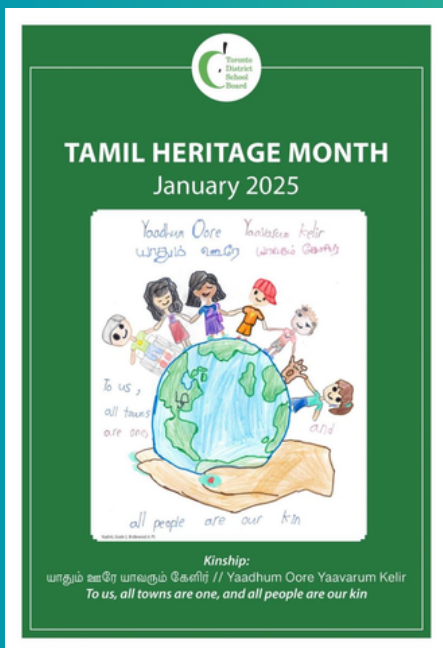
Since 2016, The Toronto District School Board (TDSB) has proudly recognized Tamil Heritage Month over January. This year, the theme for Tamil Heritage Month is from a quotation by influential Tamil philosopher Kaniyan Pungundranar.

Kinship:

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To us, all towns are one, and all people are our kin

The theme of kinship and interconnectedness of all people is important to Tamil people. It emphasizes the idea that regardless of where we come from, we are all part of a larger family. This theme encourages us to celebrate diversity and foster unity within communities, highlighting that our differences enrich our shared human experience.

*Taken from the TDSB website.



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Thank you

To the families for:

- Volunteering for pizza lunch
- Volunteering for the book fair in December 2024
- The volunteer drivers for all of the sporting events
- All the kindness and support in 2024!



A special thank you to:

- Dallington School Advisory Council (SAC) for organizing the Winter MOVEMENT Fun Day & decorating the foyer
- All of the teachers and staff members who contributed photos and info for this month's newsletter