# David Hornell Junior School Newsletter

### February 2022

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Twitter: @dhornelltweets February Character Trait – Fairness

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The month of February is often a busy one with many things happening at school. Since we are lucky enough to have an abundance of snow, we will be holding our own David Hornell Winter Olympics on Friday, February 4, in the afternoon.

This month we will engage in our school-wide letter writing activity in which students are invited and encouraged to write notes, letters, stories or draw pictures for friends and classmates. Our "mailbox" will be available for students to mail their pieces of writing throughout the month of February.



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Ward 3 Trustee P. Nunziata School Hours: 8:50 Entry Bell 10:15 – 10:30 Recess 11:20 – 12:30 Lunch 1:55- 2:10 Recess 3:10 JK/SK Dismissal 3:20 Grades 1-5 Dismissal

# February is Kindergarten Registration Month!

Registration for all TDSB Kindergarten programs begins in February. We look forward to welcoming you and your child at our school in September! To attend Junior Kindergarten in September, children must turn four years old by December 31, 2022.

The online registration program is changing this year and will be available for families on February 1, 2022.

For more information about the Kindergarten program and registration requirements, please visit: <u>www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten</u>



### Virtual Joint Forum -Ward 2 & Ward 3 Thursday, February 10, 2022 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Trustees Nunziata and MacLean invite you to attend a meeting to discuss Long Term Program and Accommodation Strategy in Wards 2 and 3. Special Guests Andrew Gowdy, System Planning Officer, Strategy and Planning, and Daniel Castaldo, Senior Manager, Planning will be in attendance to answer your questions and address your concerns.

Members of the South Eatonville Residents Association (SERA) will also be in attendance and will provide a presentation.

If you are interested in attending, please register: <u>https://forms.gle/2DxBNrXGEky8EPgeA</u>

The meeting will be hosted on Zoom. Registrants will be sent a meeting invite with a link and call in details for the session, the day of the meeting.

We hope to see you there!

#### **February Parent Council**

At David Hornell we have a wonderful group of dedicated parents who work hard to support our school. Our next virtual parent council meeting is:

Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.



If you are interested in attending, please email <u>dhparentcouncil@gmail.com</u> and the link to the meeting will be provided to you prior to the meeting.

#### February is Chinese Heritage Month at the TDSB

The Toronto District School Board is proud to recognize Chinese Heritage Month (CHM) during the month of February 2022. This year is the Year of the Tiger: Courageous, assertive, and natural leaders. Many Chinese Canadians will celebrate Lunar New Year on Tuesday, February 1. Lunar New Year is also known as the spring festival and begins with the first moon of the lunar calendar and ends on the first moon of the lunar calendar 15 days later. Though celebrations will be altered this year because of the pandemic, the spirit and joyfulness will remain the same through virtual events and in-home family-based festivities.



# February is African Heritage Month at the TDSB

The Toronto District School Board is the largest and one of the most diverse school boards in Canada. Nearly onequarter of our students were born outside of Canada, and collectively, we speak more than 120 languages. Understanding all cultures is essential to the success of our young students today as they transform and transition to be our future leaders of tomorrow. During the month of February, the Toronto District School Board is proud to recognize and celebrate African Heritage Month. It is an occasion to celebrate the many achievements and contributions of peoples of African descent to Canada and the world.

The chosen theme for 2021-2022 is NIA – Walking in our Purpose.

## Parent-Educator Conferences 2022

Parent teacher interviews will be conducted either virtually or by phone this term. Classroom teachers will be sending home conference request letters to families the week of February 7, 2022. If a conference is requested by the educator, please be sure to send back the form, indicating your preferred time and date. If you do not receive a conference request and would like to have a meeting with your child's teacher, please let them know no later than Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Your actual conference date and time will be confirmed when your child brings home their report card on February 15<sup>th</sup>. The parent-teacher conferences will take place during the afternoon/evening of February 17 or the morning of Friday, February 18, which is a P.A. Day so there will be no school for students that day.

# **Upcoming Events:**

Wed. Feb. 2 – Parent Council Meeting – 7 p.m.

Friday, February 4 – DH Outdoor Olympics (Dress Warm)

Week of Feb. 7 – Report Card Conference Invitations sent home

Thurs. Feb. 10 – Ward 3 Trustee Meeting – 7 p.m.

Fri. Feb. 11 – Last Day to submit Optional Attendance forms for Sept. 2022

Mon. Feb. 14– Red and Pink Day! Show your school spirit!

Tues. Feb. 15 – Term 1 Report Cards sent home

Thurs. Feb. 17 – PM/Evening – Parent Teacher Interviews

Fri. Feb 18 – P.A. Day (NO SCHOOL) A.M. – Parent Teacher Interviews

Mon. Feb. 21 – Family Day Holiday – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Wed. Feb. 23 – Panago Family Pizza Night

