



The Dragon's Lair

March 2022

Administrators' Message

In March, our Character Trait is Honesty. We often remind our students about the importance of honesty and owning their actions at all times (the good actions and sometimes the not so good ones). We are all constantly learning from the choices we make, and being honest and taking responsibility for what we do and say is a critical part of this process.



Thank you to our families for supporting School Council's Donwood Merch Fundraiser. We are looking forward to seeing our students, staff and parents wearing their Donwood Merch!

The TDSB health and safety protocols continue to be updated as we move through the school year. Parents will continue to be made aware of changes to screening procedures, etc.

Health and Safety Protocols

****It is of the utmost importance that parents/guardians screen each of their children every morning before they come to school and sign their Health Pass each day. If your child is sick or is displaying any of the COVID-19 symptoms or someone in your household is displaying symptoms, you must keep your child(ren) at home.**

If a student comes to school and is displaying any of the COVID-19 symptoms, the student will go to our school's Wellness Room and they **must** be picked up from school as quickly as possible. If your child is sent home, the office staff will review the protocols with you for your child to be able to return to school.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support. Our actions have a direct impact on others around us and we all need to continue to do our part.

Kindergarten Registration

Thank you to our families who have registered their children for Kindergarten using the online registration process.



As the office staff works through the online registrations, they will call you to complete the rest of the registration process. This takes time, so we appreciate your patience as we continue to work through this process. If you have not done so already, please register online. For more information about the Kindergarten program and registration requirements, please visit www.tdsb.on.ca/kindergarten.

School Council

The *Donwood Park Merch* Fundraiser has resulted in many excited students, parents and staff! If you would like to purchase a t-shirt, hoodie or water bottle please submit your order by Thursday, March 10th.



Our next School Council meeting is Tuesday, April 5th at 5:30 p.m. Please look for dates and times on the school Google calendar, the links to our virtual meetings will be sent to parents via email.



Earth Hour 2022

Earth Hour will be on Saturday, March 26th from 8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. At school, Earth Hour will be recognized on Friday, March 25th from 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. During Earth Hour, our school will be using as little electricity as possible in the offices, halls, classrooms and gyms. Where possible, schools are also asked to reduce their electricity usage over the weekend. More information is available at www.earthhour.org

As an Eco School, we have daily practices that we purposely use which are eco-friendly (e.g., recycling program, good on one side paper bins, lights off in rooms that are not occupied, Boomerang lunches with reusable containers). These small daily habits help to make a difference. In the days leading up to Earth Hour, it is a good time to discuss as a family what your family can do together to be more eco-friendly. We can all make a positive impact!

March is Greek Heritage Month

The Toronto District School Board is proud to recognize Greek Heritage Month (GHM) during the month of March.

During the month of March, several activities have been shared to mark GHM. A poster contest was held and all students from the Toronto District School Board were invited to submit images that best reflected this year's theme.

The theme for this year is based on healthy living:

“Harmony of Life - Healthy Mind, Healthy Body”

“Αρμονια της Ζωης - Νους υγιης εν σωματι υγειε!”

TDSB Steps to Address Questions and Concerns

The TDSB wants to hear your questions and concerns, and makes every effort to address them in a timely manner and as quickly as possible.

In any situation, your child's classroom teacher is the first point of contact, followed by the school's principal, the school superintendent and your Trustee. For more information visit: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/Contact-Us/Steps-to-Address-Questions-Concerns>

Dates to Remember

Kindergarten Assembly	March 1
Gr. 1-8 Assembly	March 4
March Break	March 14-18
K- 8 and Graduation Photos	April 4
School Council Meeting	April 5
Good Friday	April 15
Easter Monday	April 18
K-8 and Graduation	
Picture Retakes	April 26
Victoria Day	May 23
P.A. Day	June 3
Last Day of School	June 30

Principal	Andrea Lane
Vice Principal	Thanasi Dimakas
Superintendent	Kurt McIntosh
Trustee	David Smith
Office Administrator	Sophie Guarnaschelli
Secretaries	Sinead Meechan Michelle Andersen
Head Caretaker	Peter Panourgias



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