

# Island Breeze



The Newsletter of  
Island Public School



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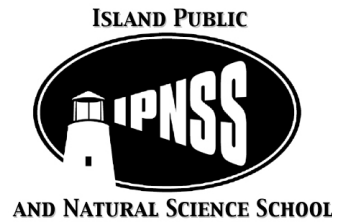
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## Holiday Edition - December 2022



**HAPPY HOLIDAYS**



Happy Holidays!

I wish everyone from the Island Public/Natural Science School community an amazing Winter Break!

I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on January 9<sup>th</sup> when school is back in session.

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Principal

### School Office Hours

8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Thursday (4:00 p.m. on Fridays)

### Recess and Lunch Times

10:25 am (Recess); 11:50 am (Lunch); 2:05 pm (Recess)

### Winter Ferry Schedule – Until April 6, 2023 (to Ward’s Island)

8:15 am - Grades 1-6 students commute to Ward’s Island  
9:00 am – Kindergarten students commute to Ward’s Island  
3:45 pm - K-6 Students commute to city-side

### Alternative Arrangements for Pick-up

If there are alternative arrangements for your child’s dismissal or pick up, please inform our office administrator by email or phone at 416-393-1910.

### Safe Arrival Program

One measure of keeping students safe is ensuring students have safely arrived at school. If your child is going to be late or absent for any reason, it is important that you contact the office immediately and report the reason for the absence or late arrival by email or phone at 416-393-1910.

### Commuting

Please ensure that students are attired for changing weather conditions.

### Calendar: <https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/island/Calendar>

- December 18 (Until December 26) - Hanukkah
- December 24-January 8 – Winter Break (School Closed)
- December 24 – Christmas Eve
- December 25 – Christmas
- December 26 – Boxing Day; Kwanzaa (Until January 1)
- December 31 – New Year’s Eve
- January –Tamil Heritage Month; TDSB Character Trait of the month is Teamwork
- January 1 – New Year’s Day
- January 9 – First Day Back to School
- January 9 – Application Open - Middle French Immersion. Info: <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/pars>
- January 13 – PA Day (No School for Students)
- January 16 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- January 16 – IST – In School (Support) Team Meeting
- January 16-22 – No Name Calling Week
- January 17 – Professor Pricklethorn (Trees and Environment Presentation)
- January 21 – Lunar New Year
- January 22 – Chinese New Year
- January 23 – SST -School Support Team Meeting
- January 27 – International Holocaust Remembrance Day