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Friday, December 1, 2023

World AIDS Day

Date and Time: Friday, December 1 11:55 pm

Each year, on 1 December, the world commemorates World AIDS Day. People around the world unite to show support for people living with HIV and to remember those who have died from AIDS-related illnesses. This year's theme is: End inequalities. End AIDS. End pandemics

Saturday, December 2, 2023

International Day for the Abolition of Slavery (UN)

Date and Time: Saturday, December 2 11:55 pm

Today is the International Day for the Abolition of Slavery. We recognize the ongoing need to end contemporary forms of slavery, such as human trafficking, sexual exploitation, child labour, forced marriage, and the forced recruitment of children for use in armed conflict.

Sunday, December 3, 2023

International Day for Disabled Persons (UN)

Date and Time: Sunday, December 3 11:55 pm

December 3 is the International Day for Disabled Persons. Today signals the promotion of the full and equal participation of persons with disabilities and for us to take action for the inclusion of persons with disabilities in all aspects of society and development.

First day of Advent

Date and Time: Sunday, December 3 11:55 pm

Wishing a peaceful Advent to all DDSB families observing.

Monday, December 4, 2023

Board Meeting

Date and Time: Monday, December 4 7:00 pm

Members of the public are welcome to attend any public Board or Standing Committee meeting and can watch the livestream on YouTube. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to the start of every meeting. If attending in-person, the doors to the building will close at 7:10 p.m. for Board and Standing Committee meetings and at the designated start time of the meeting for any other in-person meetings. Anyone who arrives after that may not be able to access the building as the doors will be locked.

The DDSB is committed to a safe and respectful environment for all Board and Standing Committee Meetings. All individuals attending in-person will be required to sign in and show photo identification for the purposes of verifying their identity. Individuals that do not wish to sign in may choose to participate in the meeting virtually through the livestream. All participants are expected to be respectful and not interrupt the meeting proceedings. In the interest of maintaining that, should there be any conflict between members of the audience or any meeting disruptions, people in attendance may be directed to leave the premises.

Every regular Board meeting includes a Public Question Period. To ask a question, please complete a [public question form](#) prior to the Board meeting. Questions may be approved at the discretion of the Chair of the Board and related approved questions may be consolidated. There is no Public Question Period during Standing Committee meetings or Special Board meetings.

Please Note: The [public question form](#) will open on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. and close on Friday at 12:00 p.m. before the Board meeting.

Questions selected will be displayed in the Board Room during Public Question Period along with the corresponding response. All questions that are selected for consideration and responses will be posted on the DDSB website subsequent to the meeting. All questions submitted will be shared with Trustees for their awareness.

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

International Volunteer Day (UN)

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 5 12:00 am

International Volunteer Day is a global celebration of volunteers taking place every year on December 5 to shine a light on the impact of volunteer efforts everywhere. Volunteers are leading social change around the world. This day promotes the work of volunteers at all levels.

Wednesday, December 6, 2023

National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women (UN)

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 6 12:00 am

On the National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence against Women, we remember the 14 young women who were murdered and 13 others injured at the École Polytechnique de Montréal on December 6, 1989.

Thursday, December 7, 2023

Hanukkah: Dec. 7 - Dec. 15

Date and Time: Thursday, December 7 5:00 pm

Wishing all DDSB families observing Hanukkah, Eight days filled with love and light.

Friday, December 8, 2023

Bodhi Day

Date and Time: Friday, December 8 12:00 am

December 8 is Bodhi Day The enlightenment of the Buddha is among the most significant events in Buddhist history, and it's an event commemorated annually by many Buddhists. Budu Saranai to all DDSB families observing Bodhi Day.

Sunday, December 10, 2023

Human Rights Day (UN)

Date and Time: Sunday, December 10 5:00 pm

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Aga Khan's Birthday

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 13 12:00 am

Warm Wishes to all DDSB families observing the Aga Khan's Birthday.

Governance and Policy Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 13 7:30 pm

Members of the public are welcome to attend any public Governance and Policy Committee meeting and can watch the livestream on YouTube. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to the start of every meeting. If attending in-person, the doors to the building will close at 7:40 p.m. Anyone who arrives after that time may not be able to access the building as the doors will be locked.

The DDSB is committed to a safe and respectful environment for all meetings. All individuals attending in-person will be required to sign in and show photo identification for the purposes of verifying their identity. Individuals that do not wish to sign in may choose to participate in the meeting virtually through the livestream. All participants are expected to be respectful and not interrupt the meeting proceedings. In the interest of maintaining that, should there be any conflict between members of the audience or any meeting disruptions, people in attendance

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Thursday, December 14, 2023

SEAC Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, December 14 6:30 pm

Members of the public who wish to observe SEAC meetings in person as guests are required to pre-register as space is limited. To pre-register, please **complete the registration form**. Confirmation of your pre-registration along with additional details will be shared prior to the meeting. Once pre-registration capacity has been reached, public viewing will be available through the livestream link only.

Durham District School Board is committed to ensuring a safe and respectful environment for everyone in attendance at public meetings. All participants are expected to be respectful, not interrupt the meeting proceedings and to follow the **Code of Conduct for Public Meetings**.

Saturday, December 16, 2023

Las Posadas

Date and Time: Saturday, December 16 12:00 am

Feliz Navidad to all DDSB families observing Las Posadas.

Monday, December 18, 2023

International Migrants Day

Date and Time: Monday, December 18 5:00 pm

Migration is a global phenomenon driven by many forces. These start with aspirations for dignity, safety and peace. The decision to leave home is always extreme, and, too often, the beginning of a dangerous, sometimes fatal journey.

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

International Human Solidarity Day (UN)

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 20 12:00 am

The concept of solidarity has defined the work of the United Nations since the birth of the Organization. The cr

ation of the United Nations drew the peoples and nations of the world together to promote peace, human rights and social and economic development.

Thursday, December 21, 2023

Yalda

Date and Time: Thursday, December 21 11:55 pm

Shabe Yalda Mobarak! to all families observing Yalda on this day.

Winter Solstice

Date and Time: Thursday, December 21 11:55 pm

Warm Wishes to all DDSB families observing the Winter Solstice.

Yule

Date and Time: Thursday, December 21 11:55 pm

Friday, December 22, 2023

Tohji-Tasai Shinto

Date and Time: Friday, December 22 11:55 pm

Greetings to all DDSB families observing Tohji-Tasai Shinto.

Last day of classes before winter break begins

Date and Time: Friday, December 22 11:55 pm

Last day of classes will be Friday, December 22, 2023. No early dismissal on this day. Classes resume Monday, January 8, 2024.

Monday, December 25, 2023

Winter break begins - schools closed

Date and Time: Monday, December 25 11:55 pm

Last day of classes will be Friday, December 22, 2023. No early dismissal on this day. Classes resume Monday, January 8, 2024.

Christmas Day

Date and Time: Monday, December 25 11:55 pm

Sending our DDSB families observing, warm thoughts and wishes for a wonderful Christmas.

Tuesday, December 26, 2023

Kwanzaa: Dec 26 - Jan 1

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 26 11:55 pm

Kwanzaa yenn iwe ha heri! To all of our DDSB families observing!

Boxing Day

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 26 11:55 pm

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