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## Thursday, February 1, 2024

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### Imbolc

Date and Time: Thursday, February 1 12:00 am

Warm wishes to all those observing Imbolc.

### French Immersion in DDSB Schools

Date and Time: Thursday, February 1 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

The evening session will provide families with important information on the French Immersion program and the benefits when developing a second language.

An **'in-person'** meeting will be held on **February 1, 2024, from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m** at each of the elementary schools offering the FI program. **Please note: there is no opportunity to attend these sessions virtually.**

- [Cadarackque Public School](#)
- [Michaëlle Jean Public School](#)
- [Rosemary Brown Public School](#)
- [Southwood Park Public School](#)
- [McCaskill's Mills Public School](#)
- [Biidaasige Mandamin PS](#)
- [Frenchman's Bay Public School](#)
- [Maple Ridge Public School](#)
- [David Bouchard Public School](#)
- [Jeanne Sauvé Public School](#)
- [Walter E. Harris Public School](#)
- [R.H. Cornish Public School](#)
- [Uxbridge Public School](#)
- [Brooklin Village Public School](#)
- [Captain Michael VandenBos Public School](#)
- [John Dryden Public School](#)
- [Julie Payette Public School](#)
- [Meadowcrest Public School](#)

Use the [school locator tool](#) to see which French Immersion elementary school is designated as your FI home school.

No registration is required to attend an information meeting at one of these schools listed above.

## Friday, February 2, 2024

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## Groundhog Day

Date and Time: Friday, February 2 12:00 am

Happy Groundhog Day!

## Monday, February 5, 2024

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### Standing Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Monday, February 5 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.

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### Governance and Policy Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Monday, February 5 8:00 pm

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# Wednesday, February 7, 2024

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## Parenting in the Age of Social Media

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 7 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Today's children and youth are growing up in an increasingly digital world. This reality is changing the experience of childhood and youth in significant ways, which is changing some aspects of parenting along with it. [Parenting in the Age of Social Media](#) addresses a variety of new considerations for parents and caregivers while offering suggestions for keeping kids safe, responsible and ethical as they navigate online spaces.

Please see resource document attached on the right hand side of this calendar event.

**Please contact your child's school for more information on a 'Watch Party'** or register for the virtual session at: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

# Saturday, February 10, 2024

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## Lunar New Year

Date and Time: Saturday, February 10 12:00 am

Wishing all families celebrating the Lunar New Year, continued with peace, happiness, and prosperity.

# Sunday, February 11, 2024

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## International Day for Women and Girls in Science

Date and Time: Sunday, February 11 12:00 am

February 11 is the [International Day of Women and Girls in Science](#).  
Celebrate with us. [#STEM](#)

# Monday, February 12, 2024

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## Kindness Awareness Week (12-16)

Date and Time: Monday, February 12 12:00 am

Happy Kindness Awareness Week. Spread some kindness everywhere you go!

## **Tuesday, February 13, 2024**

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### **Great Prayer Festival**

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 13 12:00 am

Happy Prayer Festival to all who celebrate.

## **Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

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### **Ash Wednesday**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 14 12:00 am

Wishing a peaceful Ash Wednesday to all DDSB families observing.

### **Valentine's Day**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 14 12:00 am

Be proud of who you are. Be proud of who you love.

### **Basant Panchami/Saraswati Puja**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 14 12:00 am

Warmest greetings to all those observing Basant Panchami and Saraswati Puja.

### **Lent (February 14-March 28)**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 14 5:00 pm

Wishing a peaceful Lenten season to all DDSB families observing.

## **Thursday, February 15, 2024**

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### **National Flag of Canada Day**

Date and Time: Thursday, February 15 12:00 am

Today, February 15 is National Flag Day! At the stroke of noon on February 15, 1965, Canada's red and white maple leaf flag was raised for the very first time on Parliament Hill. On the same day in 1996, National Flag of

Canada Day was declared.

## **VIRTUAL - SEAC Meeting**

Date and Time: Thursday, February 15 6:30 pm

**Due to weather safety and quorum concerns the decision to move SEAC to a virtual meeting has been decided for this evenings meeting February 15, 2024.**

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.

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## **Friday, February 16, 2024**

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### **P.A. Day - secondary schools only**

Date and Time: Friday, February 16 12:05 am

## **Saturday, February 17, 2024**

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### **Random Act of Kindness Day**

Date and Time: Saturday, February 17 12:00 am

During the month of February DDSB schools focus on the character trait "Kindness." February 17 is Random Act Kindness day (RAK), we encourage everyone to take the opportunity to brighten someones day with a simple random act of kindness.

## **Monday, February 19, 2024**

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### **Family Day - schools closed**

Date and Time: Monday, February 19 12:05 am

## **Tuesday, February 20, 2024**

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## World Day of Social Justice

Date and Time: Tuesday, February 20 12:00 am

Education as a means for social change is a key component of CRRP. At the DDSB we are working to make that change. Happy World Social Justice Day.

## Board Meeting

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## Wednesday, February 21, 2024

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### International Mother Language Day (UN)

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 21 12:00 am

Language is Power. Don't let yours disappear. Learn it, speak it, teach it if you can. Happy international Mother Language Day.

### Parent Involvement Committee (PIC) Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 21 6:30 pm

## Wednesday, February 28, 2024

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## **Pink Shirt Day**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 28 12:05 am

At the DDSB we are committed to the Human Rights of all of our students and staff. We need to constantly be ready and willing to stand with each other for what is right. #pinkshirtday

## **Education Development Charges Policy Review Public Meeting**

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 28 7:00 pm - 7:29 pm

Address: 650 Rossland Road West, Oshawa

On February 28 at 7:00 pm, the Durham District School Board (DDSB) and the Durham Catholic District School Board (DCDSB) are holding a joint Education Development Charges Policy Review public meeting and immediately following this meeting at 7:30 pm, the two Boards will hold an Education Development Charges Successor By-law public meeting to share information and receive input on both Boards' proposed Education Development Charge by-laws. Details and the location of the two public meetings are available at: <https://www.ddsb.ca/en/about-ddsb/education-development-charges.aspx#2024>

## **Education Development Charges Policy Review 2nd Meeting**

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