

**MUNDY'S BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL**  
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## **December Newsletter**

### **Principal's Message**

Thank you to all the parents who came to meet with their children's teacher during interview time. Please remember to contact the teacher if you have questions or concerns throughout the rest of the school year. I would like to thank all of the staff who work with the Mundy's Bay Leadership Team. The students on the team do a great job coming up with spirit days, running the assemblies and acting as leaders throughout the school. A thank you to all of the Educational Assistants who make sure our students get on and off the buses safely on a daily basis. They also make sure our student drop off runs smoothly each morning. Congratulations to the Intermediate Girls on winning the Area Basketball Championships. Good luck as they head to the Counties. Congratulations to Coach Scott and a thank you for working with so many girls throughout the basketball season.

On behalf of the Mundy's Bay staff, I would like to wish everyone a very happy, safe and joyful holiday. We hope you have the opportunity to celebrate the magic of the Christmas season with family and friends.

### **Winter Warm Up**

This December, our school will be collecting toques, as well as gloves and mittens, in an effort to help those in our community. Please send in your donations of new and used hats, mitts, and gloves, and help us help our community!

### **Last Day of Classes**

December 22 is the last of classes for 2017.

### **Christmas Assemblies**

Once again we will be holding our Christmas Assemblies from December 18-22. Some classes will also be presenting short performances. Please keep your eyes on the upcoming weekly updates from your child's teacher for further information as the dates approach. **We would remind all guests who attend the assemblies that beverages are not allowed in the gym. We also ask that all strollers be left in the front foyer.**

## **Trinket Sale**

The trinket sale will take place on December 18-20. We would ask that all students bring a list with their money in a Ziploc bag. This way their money will not get lost and the teachers can make sure they select a gift for everyone on their list.

We are still looking for donations for the trinket sale. Please send any donations to the front office. All donations would be greatly appreciated.

## **Candy Cane Sales**

Students will have the opportunity to purchase a candy cane gram for their friends and classmates during the last school week of December for a cost of 25 cents each. Proceeds from the sale will help benefit the end of the year school barbeque.

## **First Day Back**

Just a reminder that the first day back after the holidays is January 8, 2018.

## **Girls Volleyball**

The intermediate girls volleyball will be starting up and tryouts begin this month. A team will be selected before we start our season in January.

## **Attend a French Immersion information night, registration opens in January**

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) offers French Immersion (FI) at select schools throughout Simcoe County beginning in Grade 1. The goal of the FI program is to enable students to communicate in French with a high level of proficiency, enabling them to function with ease in both French and English. Upon graduation from the program, students will communicate in French with confidence in a wide variety of real-life situations.

Information sessions take place in January for parents of students in Senior Kindergarten. The information meeting will be held at Mundy's Bay on January 18 beginning at 6pm.

The FI online application form will be available from 9 a.m. on Mon. Jan. 22, until 9 p.m. on Wed. Jan. 24, 2018 at [www.scdsb.on.ca](http://www.scdsb.on.ca) under Programs, French as a Second Language. While every effort is made to accommodate all FI applications, available space and staffing will determine how many students can be registered. Applications will be processed in the order they are received electronically. Please contact the school if you do not have Internet access at home or require assistance accessing the online application.

Please note that the host sites for FI may change during your child's time in the program, and your child may need to move schools. This may also include splitting the program between two different sites.

## **Kindergarten registration opens in January**

Do you (or someone you know) have a child who was born in 2014? If so, it's almost time to register them for Kindergarten in the SCDSB! Beginning Jan. 22, 2018, Simcoe County's public schools will register children for Kindergarten for the 2018-19 school year. Required registration documents include birthdate documentation, proof of address and record of immunization. Visit [www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten](http://www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten) for more information.

## **High school information nights coming to a school near you!**

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information night gives an overview of what's new, what to expect, as well as a chance to check out the school and ask questions. Georgian Bay District Secondary School will be offering their information night for parents on Wednesday, February 21 at 5:30-7pm.

## **Land/territory acknowledgement introduced for SCDSB meetings, events and schools**

Over the past few months, the SCDSB has worked with Indigenous partners, local elders and the First Nations Education Advisory Committee to develop a land/territory acknowledgement. A land/territory acknowledgement is an act of respect and reconciliation, based on the First Nations' tradition of acknowledging the land of others when they were guests in that territory. The statements will be used at SCDSB meetings and significant events, and daily in all schools to respectfully acknowledge the Indigenous people of this territory, their sharing of the territory and the benefits we have received, as settlers, from that sharing.

For school daily use:

“Simcoe County District School Board acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishnaabeg people. We acknowledge the enduring presence of First Nation, Métis and Inuit people on this land and are committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect.”

For more information, visit [www.scdsb.on.ca](http://www.scdsb.on.ca) – ‘About Us’.

## **Parents invited to information sessions about special education**

The SCDSB is hosting a series of information sessions for parents and guardians to learn about special education in the SCDSB, and how to support students with special education needs.

Dec. 18

Identification, Placement and Review Committee (IPRC) Information for Families

Jan. 22

Assessments in Special Education: Psych Ed and Other Assessments

Feb. 19

Transition Planning Grade 8 to 9

March 19

Accessing Supports in the Community

April 16

Understanding Alternative/Non-Academic IEP Goals

All sessions take place from 6 to 7 p.m. at the SCDSB Education Centre, located at 1170 Highway 26 in Midhurst. No registration required.

## Spirit Days

December 1: Ugly Sweater Day  
December 8: School Colours Day  
December 15: Dress as an Elf Day  
December 22: Red, White and Green Day

**Please drop your children off on Sixth Street in the mornings. The student drop off is staffed beginning at 8:30 am. Children from JK-Grade 8 are encouraged to use the drop off.**

## Social Media

Please follow us on social media on:

Twitter: @MundysBayPS  
Instagram: @mundysbay  
Mundy's Bay Website: [mun.scdsb.on.ca](http://mun.scdsb.on.ca)  
Follow the SCDSB on Twitter (@SCDSB\_Schools)

Many teachers have their own class twitter account and/or blog. Please check with your child's teacher if you are interested in following their accounts.

