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Lakewoods P.S.

<http://lakewoods.ddsb.ca>

“Believe-Persevere-Achieve”

Happy New Year to all our Lakewoods families! We hope that all of you have had an opportunity to spend some relaxing time with your family during the holiday break!

As you are aware, Mr. Bozanis has moved on to a new DDSB school and we welcome Mr. London who will be joining us at Lakewoods as our new Vice Principal. Please feel free to reach out to me, Ms. Brown as your new Principal.

We would like to extend a thank you to the following organizations for providing support to our school over the holidays by their generous donations; Rotary Club of Oshawa, Parmac Relationship Marketing Ltd, Durhamway Bus Inc and DDSB Ignite Family Helpers program .

We continue to encourage students to live our school motto: Believe-Persevere-Achieve. We ask students to always believe in themselves and their ability to be successful. Students also need to persevere and keep trying hard even when things are challenging. We know when they do these things they will achieve success. We thank you in advance for helping to deliver this message to our students.

We continue to follow the direction from the Ministry of Education and the Durham Region Health Department and follow the safety measures recommended for schools. We need your support and ask when your child is feeling ill, please use the self-screening tool by visiting Ontario.ca/SchoolScreening and follow their recommendations.

Please remember to follow our [Lakewoods website](#) for upcoming events and links to important information.

We are looking forward to a safe and healthy New Year!

Sincerely, Ms. Brown Principal

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It's the most wonderful time of the year – Kindergarten Registration!!

Beginning **Tuesday, January 9th** online registration for Year One (JK) Kindergarten students will open for families looking to register their child(ren) to attend a Kindergarten program at the DDSB for the 2024-2025 school year! Every year, the DDSB welcomes approximately 4500 new young learners and their families to our school communities. This is a very exciting time for everyone, and as we begin to prepare for the arrival of our new students and families, we hope this email will help all of our schools as they begin to plan to once again implement *Great Beginnings Start at the DDSB Introduction to Kindergarten!*



Grade 8 Information

Wed Jan 17th—Grade 8 transition to Grade 9 Info Night. GL Roberts @ 6:30pm

WED Jan 24th—Grade SK/Grade 8 Grad Photos

A Message from the Durham Region Health Department

Does your teen need to get caught-up on vaccines?

The Durham Region Health Department (DRHD) has resumed their immunization clinics. Please visit www.durham.ca/immunize to book your appointment.

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How To Dress For Playing In The Snow



Suggested Parental Guidelines for Cold Weather

Winter can be a wonderful time for play. Participating in winter sports will help keep the whole family healthy, but injuries can spoil the fun. Here's how to keep kids safe during winter play.

Clothing for outdoor play:

All winter activities require warm, dry clothing. To prevent frostbite, children should be dressed in warm clothes, including:

- ☑ **a hat** (warm, close-fitting, and covering ear lobes; not a 'fashion' hat or baseball cap),
- ☑ **mittens** (gloves do not keep hands warm as effectively as mittens),
- ☑ **loose layers** (an absorbent synthetic fabric next to skin, a warmer middle layer, and a water resistant/repellent outer layer),
- ☑ **socks** A single pair of socks, either wool or a wool blend (with silk or polypropylene) is better than cotton which offers no insulation when wet. Avoid extra thick socks as they can cause cold feet by restricting blood flow and air circulation around the toes.
- ☑ **boots** Be sure boots are dry and not too tight.

Children should get out of wet clothes and shoes as quickly as possible as they are the biggest factors in frostbite.

Jackets should be zipped up. To avoid strangulation during play, use tube-shaped neck warmers instead of scarves. If scarves must be used, tuck them into jackets. Remove drawstrings on hoods and jackets because they are also a safety hazard; better yet, buy clothes without drawstrings.

Safe weather for outdoor play:

Children should play indoors if the temperature falls below -28C (-13F), regardless of the wind chill factor.

Children should play indoors, regardless of the temperature, if the following occurs:

- ☑ The wind chill factor is reported as -28 C (-15F) or greater (This is the temperature at which exposed skin freezes in a few minutes)
- ☑ Keep children away from the banks of ponds, lakes, streams and rivers during the spring thaw.
- ☑ Use sunscreen even on cloudy days.

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GRADE 8 - 9 TRANSITION NIGHT @GL Roberts

WED. JAN. 17TH 2024 @ 6:30

**BUSSING AVAILABLE FROM BOBBY ORR, GLEN ST &
C.F. CANNON (DETAILS TO FOLLOW)**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- **DDSB FOCUS: CHOOSING MY SUCCESS**
- **UNDERSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL**
- **G.L. ROBERTS ACADEMIC & WELLNESS SUPPORT**

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► Attention Parents/Guardians:

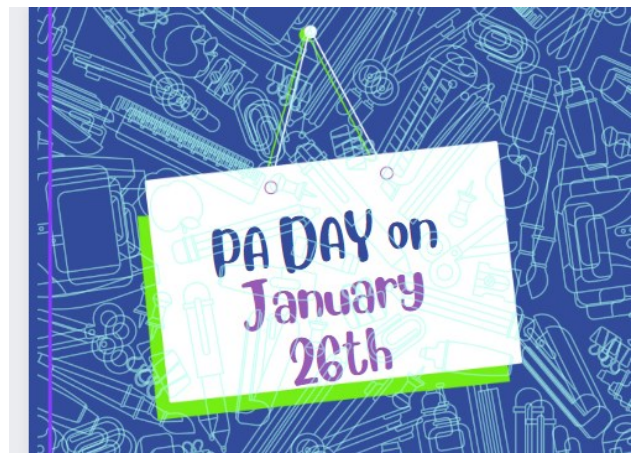
Whether your child is learning in-person or through DDSB@Home, you can **report their absence** by calling **1-844-350-2646** or by using the **SchoolMessenger** app.

Instructions on how to report an absence can be found on our website: bit.ly/3cJgJZM



DATES TO REMEMBER

Jan 8th	Welcome Back
Jan 9th	Kindy registration open
Jan 16th	Martin Luther King Jr day
Jan 16th	Int Dodgeball Tourney
Jan 17-18	Dental Health Education JK—Gr 3
Jan 17th	GLRoberts Info Night for Grade 8 students
Jan 21st	Chinese New Year
Jan 24th	Grade 8 & SK Grad photo day
Jan 26th	PA day—school closed



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