

# Debert Elementary School Newsletter

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## From the Principal's Desk

It was great to see our students return from their holiday break this week! We were met with enthusiastic greetings as they entered the building and many were eager to share stories about how they spent their time away from school over the past three weeks.



Thank you to the grown-ups who helped their students plan and record their performances for the DES Virtual Talent Show that we held on the last day of school before the break. The students were excited to share their many talents and it made for an enjoyable and entertaining afternoon.

Before the break, we sent home information with our grade 4 students about the Middle Years Development Instrument (MDI). The MDI is a self-report survey that asks grade 4 and 7 students about their thoughts, feelings, and experiences in school and the community. Our Regional Centre for Education has participated for a number of years. The survey questions align nicely with our Centre's system improvement plan, which includes a focus on student well-being. The information collected guides us in making decisions that will improve school for our students. Please read over the information and speak with me if you have questions. We will be completing the survey in February.



Just a reminder that there is still time to have school photos taken. Call Pridham's Studios at 902-895-1694 to book an appointment.



Sincerely,

Stephen Fultz



## Important Dates

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| Jan 14    | PTG/SAC Zoom Meetings @ 6:00 pm                         |
| Feb 15    | NO SCHOOL – Heritage Day                                |
| Feb 19    | NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS – PD Day                         |
| Mar 15-19 | NO SCHOOL – Spring Break                                |
| Mar 26    | NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS – Assessment & Evaluation Day    |
| Apr 2     | NO SCHOOL – Good Friday                                 |
| Apr 5     | NO SCHOOL – Easter Monday                               |
| Apr 9     | NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS – PD & Parent Teacher Interviews |

## 2021-22 PRE-PRIMARY and PRIMARY REGISTRATION

**Pre-Primary registration is now open!** Parents are asked to use the following link to begin the registration process: <https://www.ccrce.ca/pre-primary-program>

If you do not have access to Wi-Fi or the internet, please contact CCRCE's Pre-Primary Program Manager, Nicki Beck at (902) 890-8413.

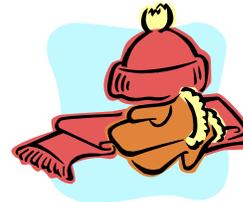
**Primary registration** will be REGIONAL this year and follow a similar process as Pre-Primary registration. We expect more information to be available soon and we will share it with you in a separate email and on our school website.



## PTG/SAC MEETINGS

Our next Zoom meetings are scheduled for January 14th at 6:00 pm. Parents are encouraged to attend! The first 30 minutes is a PTG meeting followed by a SAC meeting. Please email the school office to receive a link to the meeting.

## WINTER WEATHER CLOTHING



Your students are outside for at least 25 minutes each day plus most gym classes, so please ensure that they arrive at school dressed for outdoor play. With the winter upon us that should include a warm coat, boots, mitts, hats, and ski pants.



## CCRCE OPTIONAL FRENCH PROGRAMS FOR 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR

To register online or for more information about our upcoming zoom information sessions, visit [www.ccrce.ca/optional-french-programs](http://www.ccrce.ca/optional-french-programs). This applies to Early French Immersion (Grade Primary entry point) and Late French Immersion and Integrated French (Grade 7 entry point).

## EARLY SCHOOL CLOSURES

If you haven't done so already, please click on the link below and provide us with 3 Emergency Contacts. This information is very important in case we have a mid-day closure.

Sometimes a decision has to be made to close school part way through the day. In those situations, notifications will be sent out, but the school is not permitted to dismiss a student before contacting an adult. To make this run as smoothly as possible, **please click on the Google Form link below to fill out the information.** We need three contacts, with active phone numbers, of people who can give us the details on your child's plans for such closures. If your child is to go home, you will be the first contact. If your child is to go to a babysitter, please have them as the first contact. The next two contacts are backups in case we cannot reach the first. If you have more than one child you can submit one entry with all names in 'Student Name' field and choose one of their teachers. If you are unable to access the link please phone [Jolene Green](mailto:Jolene.Green) to add your information over the phone. Thank you.

<https://forms.gle/bQNEkn93uAeDyAXk7>