**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

February was busy! We had Pizza Days, Valentine’s Candygrams, Sweater Day, and Pink Shirt Day. March looks like it will also be a busy month with our annual PJ Day on March 10, Empowerment Week, March Break and a number of other fun days and presentations!

Ms. Holm

**IMPORTANT DATES**

March 1- 100th Day of School

-Patrol Recruitment (Officer Sherry Will be at the School)

-Lockdown Drill 9:50am

March 3-Covid Vaccine Clinic 4:30-7

March 4-Live Free Day

March 8- International Women’s Day

-School Council

March 10 - PJ Day! - Wear your PJs to school

March 7-10-Empowerment Week

March 11 - 18 March Break - NO SCHOOL

March 21 – International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

- World Down Syndrome Day

March 22-World Water Day

March 25-Ryan Laing Assembly at 2pm

March 28-Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness

**MOVING?**

Planning for the 2022-23 school year is already underway.  If you will be moving this summer, or know of someone moving into the school area, please notify the office as soon as possible.  This will help with the organization of teachers and classrooms at Brant Avenue.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL**

School Council: Our Virtual School Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 8th, 2022 from 6-7pm. All new members are welcome to join!

The google meet link for the meeting

is: <https://meet.google.com/pnv-gggq-aez>

**EMPOWERMENT WEEK**

Empowerment Day was initiated and developed by two very passionate students from the Drayton Heights Student Council in 2015. Elora Public Schools Students Create Change is continuing this annual event, and invites students from all over UGDSB. World-renowned motivational speakers, presenters, and performers are brought together to share inspiring messages with our youth. Through this experience, we want students within the UGDSB to know that they can make a positive difference in their communities, and beyond.

**LIVE FREE DAY - IN SUPPORT OF OUR SCHOOL SNACK PROGRAM**

Brant Ave will be taking part in the “Live Free Challenge”.  Students and staff will be challenged to “Live Free” of something they take for granted every day.  The challenge will take place this Friday March 4th and students will be asked to give up something they like or enjoy for the whole day as a part of the “Live Free Challenge”. Students can bring in a Toonie or a donation can be made online (<https://ugdsb.schoolcashonline.com/>)

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION**

Have you registered your child for JK (born in 2018) or another sibling for SK (born in 2017)? There is an online pre-registration that you can find at [https://www.ugdsb.ca/kindergarten/registration/](https://www.google.com/url?q=https://www.ugdsb.ca/kindergarten/registration/&sa=D&source=editors&ust=1638898322833000&usg=AOvVaw2qcapyOdVjS4muuLiRpjPs)

You will need the following documents to register your child:

1. Birth certificate or Immigration papers
2. Proof of address (e.g. driver’s license)

Please contact our office if you have any questions.

**Ryan Laird Virtual Assembly Grade 1-6**

The BiggerThanThat! Youth Empowerment & Bullying Prevention Program with Ryan Laird, nominated for 2 Canadian Country Music Awards and best known for his Top 10 radio hit song, “I’m Your Man”, will be coming to Brant Virtually on March 25th 2022!  
  
Ryan Laird will perform a LIVE 45 minute virtually delivered youth empowerment

concert in which he speaks about his own experiences of overcoming negativity &

how he followed his dreams despite what obstacles came his way.