

Brant Ave Public School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

We have been busy Bears this month! November included Progress Reports, Parent/Teacher Interviews, Remembrance Day Assembly, Field Trips, and Special Guests!

Our school has numerous employee groups working who are members of ETFO (Teachers), CUPE (Custodians), and OSSTF (Office Coordinator, ECEs, EAs, CYC). During any labour situation, the best source of updated information is our school board website at <https://www.ugdsb.ca/board/labour-updates-2022-23>

On behalf of the Brant Ave Staff, I would like to wish you all a wonderful holiday season and a Happy New Year! Please know that as a school, we are here to help your entire family. Please contact your classroom teacher or the office if you ever have a concern or need. Happy Holidays!

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IMPORTANT DATES

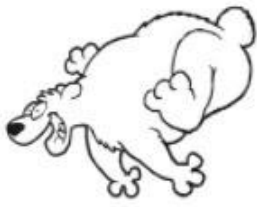
Dec 9- Junior Volleyball Tournament at Willow Road
Dec 13- School Council
Dec 17 - Storm Game for Safety Patrols (Saturday)
Dec 22 - Winter Holiday Concert at 6pm
Dec 23- First Day of Holidays
Dec 24- Jan 8 - NO SCHOOL
Jan 9 - Back to school

WINTER HOLIDAY CONCERT

We are having our winter holiday concert at 6pm on Wednesday, December 21st. This is for all parents from Grade 1- Grade 6.

JUNIOR KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Junior Kindergarten registration for the 2023-24 school year begins on Tuesday January 10, 2023. Children born in 2019 are eligible to begin Junior Kindergarten in September 2023. For more information about this process or to find the time and date of our JK FI registration process information nights at a school near you, please visit <https://www.ugdsb.ca/kindergarten/>



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HOLIDAY BREAK

Students finish school on Thursday December 22nd at the regular time. School resumes again on Monday, January 9th, 2023.

SCHOOL ARRIVAL

We encourage our students to arrive after 8:40 am and before 8:55am. There is no supervision on the school yard until 8:40 a.m. and no one to supervise students inside before the bell rings.

OUTDOOR RECESS IN THE WINTER

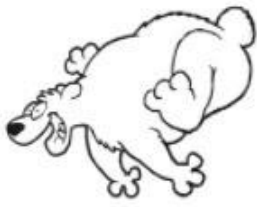
It is getting chilly out and snow has been spotted! Please remember to assist your child(ren) in wearing proper clothing to school. This includes a warm jacket, hat, mittens and waterproof footwear. Thanks for sending labeled extra socks and pants in your child's backpack just in case. We have a small selection of gently used boots, snow pants and coats at the school to loan to students if they forget theirs.

SAFETY PATROLLERS IN THE COLD

On extremely cold mornings, patrollers and parents should listen to the radio for an announcement regarding altered patrol post coverage times: If no announcement is made, carry on as usual.

- At -25c (including the wind chill factor) an announcement will be made on air indicating that patrollers will be on duty for only the last five minutes of their scheduled morning time.
- At afternoon dismissal, usually the temperature has warmed up above

-25c. If not, then the patrollers would also shorten their time on duty to 10 minutes.



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Help support your child's stress management and well-being

Strong Minds Strong Kids, Psychology Canada is delivering a virtual after-school program for kids ages 8-12 in the Upper Grand District School Board community.

Stress Busters was designed from Psychology Canada's evidence-based Kids Have Stress Too! (KHST!) program with an added peer-to-peer support component to help kids put their learning into practice. This program has had a positive impact on children's ability to identify and manage their stress. It provides children and their families with education and support to help them build stress management skills and to foster resilience.

Themes

- What stress is and how it impacts our mind, body, emotions, and behaviour
- Reflect on stressful situations and think about ways to cope
- Learn simple breathing exercises to help manage stress
- Learn to react to situations in a more positive way
- Help support your child's stress management and well-being
- Think about worries and fears in a realistic and productive way
- Kids learn to break down problems so they can address them proactively
- Explore creative self-expression as an effective stress buster
- Kids learn how to give and receive support by talking, listening, and connecting

Register

[CLICK HERE](#) to register your interest for Group 1 – Thursdays: January 12th-March 2nd, 2023 (4:30 pm-5:30 pm EST)

[CLICK HERE](#) to register your interest for Group 2 – Thursdays: January 12th-March 2nd, 2023 (6 pm-7 pm EST)

Space is limited and registrants will be notified if their child is entered into the program or added to a waiting list.