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Falcons NEWSLETTER

January 2017



Principal: Mrs. J. McDowell

Superintendent: Mr. W. Hahn

Trustee: Mrs. S. Barnett

YOU & YOUR CHILD ARE INVITED TO ATTEND A

KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, February 2, 2017 - 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

During your visit you will:

- See a Kindergarten classroom
- Meet the Kindergarten Team
- Register for school
- Get a fun goodie bag with learning resources

JUST WATCH ME!
KINDERGARTEN AT THE DSBN

Children who will be turning 4 before December 31, 2017 are eligible to start Kindergarten in September 2017.

Spirit Days for January are:
January 27th – Jersey Day

Free Dental Screening Coming to Your School

A Public Health registered dental hygienist is scheduled to visit your school Feb. 7 & 9, 2017 to provide dental screening to students in ELKP, grades 2, 4, 6 and 8 as required under the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

During this time the registered dental hygienist will perform a quick visual inspection of each child's teeth to determine his/her dental needs. Parents will be contacted if their child requires immediate dental care. The Healthy Smiles Ontario program may financially assist children who do not have access to required dental care.

Please contact the Public Health dental program if:

- You wish to exclude your child from dental screening
- Your child is not in one of the targeted grades and you would like him/her to participate

In addition to dental screening, ELKP students have an opportunity to receive an optional free fluoride varnish application if they have returned a signed consent form.



Call the Dental Health Line at 905-688-8248 or 1-888-505-6074 ext. 7399 or email

dental@niagararegion.ca

Visit: <http://www.dsbni.org/kindergarten> for all the details!

Student Recognition Assemblies



We will be gathering in the gymnasium each month to recognize student achievement with a particular emphasis on character development this year. This will be an opportunity to congratulate students for their efforts and achievements, while promoting school spirit and a sense of unity among our student body. The assemblies will take place on the last Friday of each month and will feature individual as well as group presentations. Parents are always welcome to join us for these celebrations.

December's Student of the Month for **Caring** are as follows:

Kinders- **Toven Delima, Madison Mullin
Landon Janssen, Madison Rumsby
Alexa Stone, Benjamin Turner
Jaelynn Vanderneit
Avery Scott, Savannah Driesel**

Gr. 1 - **Madison Boverhof, Liam Schroeder
Elliot Jones**

Gr. 2- **Mohamed Hachem
Benmont McCombs**

Gr. 2/3 - **Kiera Henderson
Ryan McHenry**

Gr. 3 - **Niko Djokic
Mackenzie Robinson**

Gr. 4 - **Matthew Recchia
Chloe DiFrancesco**

Gr. 4/5 - **Isobell Campigotto, Sarah Haist
Lennon Christoff-Raby**

Gr. 5 - **Analís Alonso Mendoza
Emma Vittie**

Gr. 6/7 - **Abigail Larente
Mariah Hines**

Gr. 7 - **Emma Haist
Jake Djokic**

Gr. 8 - **Robbie McHenry, Malaya Morales
Alexa Desrochers**

FSL - **Carter Sider**

ESL - **Michel Hurtado**

*We have 3 special awards this month for
"Outstanding Fitch Students" Congratulations to:*

Peter Suh, Jinny Suh and Binny Suh

Due to the holidays

Students will be presented with certificates in January!

**A Big Thank you to Family Video
for sponsoring our students of the
month with a free video rental.**

**520 Niagara St., Welland
905-714-0024**



Where can I go to find out about school closures?

There may be times during the school year where inclement weather or other situations could cause transportation cancellations or school closures.

Information about transportation changes and school closures will be available on the websites, social media, radio and television stations listed below as soon as it is available. Please do not phone the school for transportation or school closure information.



Websites/Social Media: www.dsb.org

http://twitter.com/D_S_B_N
<http://www.facebook.com/DSBNiagara>

Television:

Cogeco Cable 10
CHCH Television
City TV

Radio:

CKTB 610 am
CHML 900 am
EZ Rock 105.7 fm
Htz 97.7 fm
KLite 102.9 fm
The River 105.1 fm
Wave 94.7 fm
Y-108 – 107.9 fm
Z 101.1 fm

At times when student transportation has been cancelled and schools remain open, the decision of whether or not to have children go to school that day rests with the parent or guardian.

Should you decide not to send your child to school when transportation has been cancelled but schools remain open, or if your child is ill or late, please ensure that you call the school to inform them of your child's absence.



SCIENTISTS IN SCHOOL

Mad Science, the world's leading provider of educational and entertaining science programs for children is coming to Fitch Street Public School! They will be getting kids excited about science with fun, entertaining and exciting activities and demonstrations. Students and teachers will be thrilled on 11/Jan/2017 when Mad Science comes to the school to do a Spectacular Science show. The assembly will be educational, entertaining and also the kick off to the Mad Science Club. The Club is a 6-week science enrichment program offered to the students. Students who join the Science Club will go on a voyage of discovery designed to support the Ontario Science and Technology curriculum. The topics will be different this year than when Mad Science was last at the school. The Club will take place on Wednesday, Jan 25, Feb 1, 8, 15, 22, Mar 1 from 10:45 AM - 11:25 AM. Mad Science also performs Birthday Parties, Camps and Special Events. Give them a call at 905-937-1878 and watch out for them in Malls, at Fairs, Festivals and Scouts and Guides.

TRY AT HOME ACTIVITY - ZOOM BALL

Materials:

- Two 1 litre plastic pop bottles
- Scissors
- Optional: Coloured construction paper
- Masking tape
- Ribbons
- Two plastic ring six pack holders
- Two 2.4 metre strings • An adult helper

1. Ask your adult helper to cut the bottoms off of the two plastic pop bottles.
2. Fit the bottles together so there is a neck on either end. Tape the bottles together to form a football shape.
3. Cover the bottles with construction paper and ribbon if you want to decorate your zoom ball.
4. Take the six-pack holders and cut the rings apart to make four two-loop handles.
5. Thread the two strings through the bottles.6. Tie a set of handles to the ends of each string.
6. Get a friend and you are ready to play. Each player holds onto two handles and pulls on the strings until they are tight. Slide the zoom ball to one end. When it is at your end snap your hands apart to send the zoom ball back to your friend. To catch the zoom ball, keep your hands together.

EXPLANATION:

The pushing action of the strings sets the zoom ball in motion. When the zoom ball reaches the other end of the strings, an opposite pushing action, your friend snapping the strings, stops the ball for a moment and then sends it in the reverse direction.



DSBN Academy is a Grade 6 to Grade 12 public school designed to support and empower students to be the first in their family to graduate from college or university. Come learn more about the opportunities offered at DSBN Academy. All families are welcome! Please see below for the dates, times and locations.

Parent Information Sessions

January 10, 2017	Harriet Tubman, St. Catharines	6:30 - 7:30pm
January 12, 2017	Diamond Trail, Welland	6:30 - 7:30pm
January 16, 2017	Valley Way, Niagara Falls	6:30 - 7:30pm
January 19, 2017	McKay, Port Colborne	6:30 - 7:30pm
January 24, 2017	Senator Gibson, Beamsville	6:30 - 7:30pm
January 26, 2017	Peace Bridge, Fort Erie	6:30 - 7:30pm
January 31, 2017	Open House at DSBN Academy	6:30 - 8:00pm