



# Donwood E-News

November 29, 2021

## Important Dates:

- Nov 29: Scholastic Book Fair Starts
- Dec 8 : Virtual Family Gingerbread Night
- Dec. 22 : Early Dismissal @ 2:30pm
- Dec. 22 : Last Day of Classes

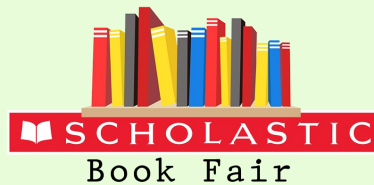


**Please send a reusable water bottle each day labelled with your child's name on it.** We are asking for parent support in ensuring students are coming to school with a water bottle. Students can refill their bottles during the day at our bottle filling station. Water fountains are not being used at this time.



**Please send students with multiple masks for each day.**

Particularly with cold weather, condensation collects on the masks and they need to be changed. Thank you for your support with this.



Scholastic Book Fair will be returning to Donwood School during the week of **November 29 to December 3!** Feel free to visit the Scholastic Book Fair's website at [www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs](http://www.scholastic.ca/bookfairs) to read reviews of Featured Books. To purchase and order books from home, please visit: <https://virtualbookfairs.scholastic.ca/pages/5169171>

Public Health will be at Donwood School on Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> to provide COVID-19 mRNA vaccines to students who have consent. Letters from Public Health have been sent home with students. **If you would like your child to receive the vaccine the consent form will need to be returned to the school by Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.**

There will be a pop-up clinic for parents to bring children to if they would like to be with their children during the vaccine.



**Please send runners, not boots, for their children for indoor Physical Education class.**

Runners should have non-marking soles and they should be either Velcro, or shoes they are able to independently tie.



**Floorball will continue** every Wednesday for those students who participate in Winnipeg Jets Hockey Academy and will run until May (unless otherwise notified). It runs from 3:45-5:15. Please ensure your child has a ride home at 5:15.

**A note from Mr. Vann:**

*"Grade 4/5 basketball club was a blast! It has now wrapped up and we are starting a drop in floor hockey/ floorball club for grades 4 and 5 at least until the winter break!"*



**Holiday Hampers of Love**

One of our grade 3 classes is spearheading our Holiday Hampers of Love food drive. Donwood School will be collecting food for a few Holiday Hampers.

We are collecting non-perishable food items or non-perishable holiday treats from December 6-17.

**Donwood's Virtual Gingerbread Night**

Join us for a fun night of community as we decorate together over teams on December 8 @ 6:00pm.

Registration is limited to the first **50** families. Registration ends at NOON on Friday, December 3rd. To Register, click [HERE](#).

For more information, please contact:

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**Unsure of whether your child can attend school due to illness?**

Please use the following link: [https://www.retsd.mb.ca/Pages/COVID19.aspx#/="](https://www.retsd.mb.ca/Pages/COVID19.aspx#/=) to reference information found on the divisional site.





**Polar Bear Recess:** As winter approaches, cold weather has traditionally meant that students have even less opportunity to move and be active due to indoor recess for temperatures lower than -27 C. Active play outdoors is so important to healthy child development and to ensuring that students are focussed for their learning.

Parental consent is required for students to participate. The consent form, along with more information can be found by clicking [HERE](#).



Donwood School would like to thank Second Harvest for their generous donation of food items for our community cupboard and breakfast program. Today Ms. Klassen and her dad picked up an entire pallet of food for our Donwood Community! Second Harvest is Canada's largest food rescue charity with a dual mission of environmental protection and hunger relief.



Donwood students have been back in the library and are checking out books each visit. We hope they are enjoying these books at home.

Our library has added **85 new books** to our collection this month! Please remember to return your child's library book(s) before their next library class so that other students have an opportunity to read them!



Check out more of the exciting events, celebrations and learning taking place at Donwood School by following our Twitter account [@don\\_RETSD](#).

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact the school at 204-668-9438 or email us at [don@retsd.mb.ca](mailto:don@retsd.mb.ca)

*We appreciate the continued collaboration and support!*

**Donwood School Staff**

