



## Weekly Newsletter

29—November- 2023

### Principal's Message

Hello DMS families,

November and December are very busy months in school. There are many events and a lot of unique opportunities and offerings between now and Winter Break. Please see below for some information/details:

1. **Bystander Training:** one of the school goals centers around Belonging and Diversity. Creating Belonging is also one of the DMS school values. To assist us in meeting this school value, the Victoria Inter-Cultural Association is doing workshops for all grade 6s on the topic of Bystander Training. During these sessions, students are learning practical strategies that can be used by them to be helpful when they encounter situations of bullying, racism, or discrimination. These workshops will take place over the next (2) weeks).

2. **Pancake Breakfast - December 20:** we will be having a whole school pancake breakfast on December 20 for students. We are partnering with the local Legion to host this event. We look forward to this community building/strengthening event at DMS.

3. For the week of **Dec. 11 - Dec. 15** some classes will be learning about Welding - **CWB Virtual Welding Simulator from Camosun College & the Canadian Welding Bureau** - The Miller AugmentedArc is a digitally immersive program that provides real-time feedback and allows anyone to try their hand at welding in a safe environment. It's as simple as turning on the training system, selecting the desired welding assignment, putting on the augmented reality (AR) welding helmet and welding gloves, and beginning the simulated welding activity!

4. **Craft/Book Fair:** we had a very successful craft fair last week on Thursday evening. This was a tremendous opportunity to bring the community into the school. Many students had tables with their own crafts, showcasing the many talents of DMS students along with the entrepreneurial spirit. Way to go DMS. Thank you for all of the community support. Thank you also to Mr. Duque Park and Ms. Major for organizing this opportunity for our students/community.



### Upcoming Events

**Dec. 1-23rd**—Order Jan lunches

**Dec. 5th**— Booster Juice (PAC)

**Dec. 11th**— Formal Learning updates

**Dec. 12th**—Sushi Belmont (PAC)

**Dec. 13th**—Purdys pick up

**Dec. 19th**—Cobs Bread

**Dec. 20th**—Pancake Breakfast

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### Pizza Orders—Update

Pizza lunches are back! We will have pizza lunches every Friday that school is in session. Ordering is done through [school cash online](#).

Pizza is provided by Local Pizza (formerly fresh slice). We unfortunately do not have a gluten free or vegan option. No refunds on unclaimed pizza.

## Other News Continued...

### Noon Hour Supervision Assistant—Dunsmuir

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### Scholastic Book Fair

Thank you to everyone who attended and purchased at the Book Fair. Your generous support raised over \$1400 that will now be used to improve the diversity of library as well as add more level-appropriate books for ELL students and emerging readers.

### Purdy's!

It's the last two days of our Purdy's Chocolate Fundraiser! We're almost at our \$4000 sales goal, can we make it?! This is a fundraiser for our library learning commons where we hope to add more variety to the learning commons, update our non-fiction sections, and even improve our seating options! Help us reach our goal by going here: <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1560079-108532> and using code: 14028

### Winter Night Market

**Thank you!** Thank you to everyone who took part in the Winter Night Market last week. It was great to see the community come together and we are very impressed and proud of our students with their professionalism and entrepreneurial spirit. It was a busy night, that's for sure! We're looking forward to bigger and better things next year.

Mr. Duque-Park

Hi folks, I just want to say a HUGE THANK YOU to all the participants, attendees, bake sale donators, community support, and volunteers who helped make the third Dunsmuir Night Market a fantastic success! We, together, created such a lovely event enjoyed by all. The Bake sale sold out! The Book sale did great, and we raised so much for our Breakfast program! I look forward to seeing everyone again next year or at a different event in the future :) Cynthia Major



### Student Attendance

Is your child is going to be absent, late, or signing out early?

**Email** Dunsmuir at [dunsmuir@sd62.bc.ca](mailto:dunsmuir@sd62.bc.ca) as well as your student's teacher(s).

Please include your child's first and last name, teacher's name and reason for absence.

**Please do not call in your attendance.**

**Thank you!**