



Carruthers Creek This Week

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Week of Oct. 11th

WE ARE

"ALLERGY AWARE & NUT FREE!"

Carruthers Creek October Spirit Days

Thursday October 7	Thursday October 14	Thursday October 21	Friday October 29
Blue Jays Day Wear Blue, White or your Blue Jays Gear!	Coyote Spirit Day! Wear Blue, Orange or your Coyote Gear!	Hat Day! Wear your favourite headgear!	Details to Come

CYBER SECURITY AWARENESS MONTH

Week 1

October is Cyber Security Awareness Month! Throughout the next four weeks we will be sharing resources and tips developed by DDSB staff to help students, families, and staff stay cyber safe while they learn and connect with each other online.

Week 1 is all about understanding phishing threats. To find out how you can learn to recognize, understand and avoid phishing threats, please visit: <https://bit.ly/2YtOpxk>.



TIK TOK CHALLENGE

- We want to thank the students who have been using TikTok appropriately. We ask that students refrain from participating in harmful TikTok challenges in school or within our community.
- We are very concerned that some students may not understand the impacts and seriousness of these challenges and that serious crimes, like sexual assault and physical assault, are being made light of. In addition to violating our school Code of Conduct, many of these acts are serious criminal offences and will be treated as such.
- Any participation or encouragement to participate in these challenges by students will be investigated and will be addressed under the Code of Conduct, as may be appropriate, and discipline up to and including suspension or expulsion may result.
- Our school community is dependent on everyone in our school treating each other with dignity and respect and collaboratively keeping our learning spaces safe.
- Staff work really hard to clean and maintain the school to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all students and staff. Vandalism is disrespectful to them and to students that rely on a safe and caring school climate.
- We treat vandalism seriously in terms of consequences. We ask that everyone be on the look-out and ensure you report any disrespectful and unacceptable behaviour to a staff member immediately. We will then follow-up.

We pride ourselves on being a school community that shows it cares, and we know that the vast majority of students don't want to see this happening. We therefore need you to help us to prevent and report any instances of participation in these challenges or any encouragement to participate in these challenges.



Please mark your calendars!

Students will have their pictures taken on Tuesday, November 9th.

The Library is OPEN!

This week primary students are taking out their first Library book! Students will select and check out one book from the library at a time. Please return the book for the next scheduled library day. We have a wonderful assortment of fiction and non-fiction books for students to choose from. You will notice that students sometimes choose books based on their interests rather than reading ability, therefore, some will likely need to read this book with an adult.

Happy reading!

GIFTED NOMINATIONS

Nomination Parent/Guardian letters have been emailed home to families of **every student in grade 3 enrolled in the DDSB**. Any family can request to nominate a student older than grade 3. Nominations for testing will be submitted electronically using Google Forms. A link for the nomination form is contained within the parent/guardian information letter (attached). If families of Gr. 4-8 students are interested in nominating their child this year, please contact our school SERT at:

nicolina.scanga@ddsb.ca

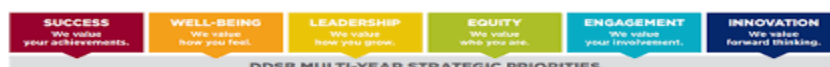
Title your email "Nomination for Gifted Testing 2021"

Testing will take place: November 22-25

Nomination links will be active until 9pm October 19th

It is required that students participate during all three testing sessions. Students can participate in DDSB testing no more than 2 times in their academic career.

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH'S ONLINE SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOL EACH DAY BEFORE SENDING YOUR CHILD(REN) TO SCHOOL BY VISITING <https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>



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DURHAM BLACK EDUCATORS' NETWORK **ELEVATE AND EXPAND: COACHING FOR EXCELLENCE**

With our continuous focus on *optimizing educational experiences*, Durham Black Educators' Network (DBEN) has created ***Elevate and Expand: Coaching for Excellence***. In its 2nd year, this virtual tutoring support program is for Durham District School Board **students in Grades 6 – 12** who identify as a part of Durham's Black diaspora.

Strengthening our commitment to enhancing academic equitable outcomes, DBEN has partnered with DDSB's Student Achievement and Curriculum Department to provide tutoring support.

Virtual 1:1 support will be offered through Google Meet. Students will be matched with tutors based on academic strengths and needs, and our tutors' teaching qualifications. **Students will be provided 1 hour of complimentary tutoring per week.**

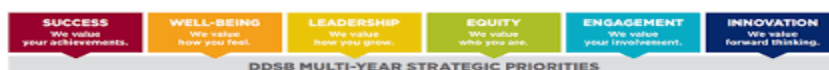
Elementary students' sessions will run throughout each term and Secondary students' sessions will be based on quadesters.

Families are kindly asked to complete the ***Elevate & Expand: Coaching for Excellence Registration Form***, including the media release by October 11th 2021. Our DBEN Tutoring Coordinator will be in contact to finalize the intake process.

2021-2022 Elevate & Expand: Coaching for Excellence Registration From

Sessions will begin during the week of October 18th, 2021.

For more information, please send your inquiries to DBENTutoring@gmail.com.



DDSB MULTI-YEAR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

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