

THE SCHOOL SCOOP

Dunrae Gardens School



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We would like to wish everyone a joyful holiday season filled with warmth and happiness. At school, students will be taking part in a variety of activities that highlight the importance of giving and the value of family. These celebrations not only bring our community together, but also encourage students to embrace kindness, generosity, and gratitude during this special time of year.

Holly Kusiewicz

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 4th	Shakespeare Play
Dec. 6th	Holiday Market
Dec. 9th	Open House
Dec. 15th	Book Flood and Spirit Week (see below)
Dec. 16th	Pancake Breakfast and Oui Dance Troop Performance
Dec. 17th	DG Got Talent
Dec. 19th	Last Day of School
January 5th:	Ped Day (no school) School resumes on January 6th

Events at School:

Here are some highlights of the activities currently taking place at Dunrae Gardens

- Nike Ambassador Program for grades 5 and 6
- Sportlife Soccer Program for grades 4 and 6
- Dance Club with Ms. Sophia
- Chess Club for cycle 2
- Caribou Math, Battle of the Books and Wonder Works Enrichment Programs in full effect
- Social Emotional Lunch Workshop hosted by Ms. Sonia and Ms. Helen for cycle 2
- Garden Club with Mr. Eric
- DG Got Talent preparation

Dismissal Procedures

Early Dismissal:

- For any early dismissals we ask that you please email your child's teacher in advance. To help ensure your email is noticed, please add our school secretary, Ms. Angie (amilo@emsb.qc.ca) to your email. You may also add myself to the email (hkusiewicz@emsb.qc.ca).
- Please ensure that you and your children do not walk between or cross through the buses at any time.

Daycare:

The Daycare Handbook in both English and French will be posted on our school website. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Tina Lanni at tlanni@emsb.qc.ca or 514-731-2334.

Parent Participation Organization:

An email will be sent out shortly with more information on how you can actively participate in our PPO. Please keep an eye out for it.

Holiday Market

Do not forget to join us for our first Holiday Market on December 6th from 11:00am to 5:00pm. See you there!

Spirit Week:

Monday December 15th: Crazy Hat/Accessory Day

Tuesday December 16th: Pancake Breakfast and PJ Day

Wednesday December 17th: Crazy Sock Day

Thursday December 18th: Winter Sport Fan Day – Students are invited to wear a shirt, jersey, or accessory representing a winter sport.

Friday December 19th: Ugly Holiday/ Winter Sweater

Book Flood:

As the holidays approach, Dunrae Gardens is delighted to host our annual Book Flood on December 15th. To ensure its success, we are asking for donations of gently used books in both English and French. On the day of the event, every student will go home with a book and a sweet treat to celebrate the season. Donation boxes are placed at our front entrance.

Pancake Breakfast:

DGFA will be hosting its annual Pancake Breakfast event. On this special day, students will enjoy a delicious breakfast and are invited to come to school in their pyjamas. A huge thank you to DGFA and the parent volunteers!

Sun Youth Collection:

Dunrae Gardens will be collecting non-perishable food items and new toys for Sun Youth. Donation boxes will be placed at our front entrance for those who wish to contribute.

Appropriate Dress for Colder Weather:

As the weather continues to change, we kindly remind you to ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the day. Please send your child to school with suitable outdoor clothing, including a warm jacket, hat, and gloves when needed.

We also ask that all students have a pair of indoor shoes to wear during the school day. This helps keep our classrooms clean and ensures comfort and safety indoors.

Governing Board

Our next Governing Board meeting will be on January 27th. All minutes will be posted on our website.

Wishing everyone a happy holiday season, and heartfelt thanks to our community for their continued support.