

Northern Highlights



Community Update

Week of December 2nd, 2024

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DATE	ACTIVITIES	UPCOMING
Monday Dec. 2 Day 1	Ms. Crichton's (Russell) /Ms. Bassi's Grade 4s to VORC	Dec. 16 - Learning Skills Recognition Assembly (9:15 am) Dec. 19 - NLPS Winter Concert (6:00 pm) Dec. 23 - Jan. 3 - Winter Break (no school)
Tuesday Dec. 3 Day 2	Ms. Chen's Grade 4s to VORC	
Wednesday Dec. 4 Day 3	Ms. Walter's Grade 2s to VORC	
Thursday Dec. 5 Day 4	Ms. Jones'/Ms. Thayanithi's Grade 2s to VORC Poinsettia pick-up 3:30-5:00 pm	
Friday Dec. 5 Day 5	Grade 8s to Dr. GW Williams SS Concert (am) Mr. Schneider's/Ms. L. Jackson's Grade 7s to VORC	

INFORMATION & UPDATES

FRENCH IMMERSION: Information Sessions - This year, our Information session for Grade 1 entry into the French Immersion program will take place in French Immersion schools on January 16, 2025, at 7 p.m. Program locations and additional information is available on our [website](#). If families are unable to attend the information session, they can hear about the French Immersion program on the [Tune In YRDSB: French Immersion Podcast](#).

Registration - FI registration will begin on January 17, 2025. Parents or guardians of Year 2 Kindergarten students entering Grade 1 in 2024, and wishing to enrol in the FI Program, can email or call their home school office and indicate their intention to enrol. The home school will notify the French Immersion school, and the French Immersion school will contact families by phone or email to collect any necessary information. Families are asked to register by February 10, 2025. Registration during this period is not first come, first served.

PIZZA LUNCH (BLOCK 2): Ordering is now open in School CashOnline for families to place orders for Pizza Lunch. The dates for pizza are **January 10 & 24 / February 7, 14, 21 & 28 / March 7, 21 & 28, 2025**. The deadline to order is Friday, December 20th. Late orders will not be accepted after the deadline. Extra pizza is sold on the day of each lunch at \$3.00 per slice and sold on a FIRST-COME; FIRST-SERVED basis.

INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS ISSUES OF THE NORTHERN HIGHLIGHTS

SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS: As the weather starts to turn colder, we want to take this opportunity to remind families about our procedures for [extreme cold and inclement weather](#) and the potential for transportation cancellations.

360 KIDS INFORMATION FLYER: 360°kids is dedicated to helping at-risk and unhoused youth by providing essential support services in housing, employment, health, and education. [Please click here](#) for more information regarding programs and services.

BFCN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION WORKSHOP: The Black Foundation of Community Networks (BFCN), in collaboration with YRDSB, is providing a free online workshop to guide Black students and their families on how

to prepare, search, and apply for scholarships and bursaries. Grade 8 - 12 students. [Please click here](#) for further information.

KWANZAA CELEBRATION INVITATION: Students, staff and families, please join us on Monday, December 9, 2024, as we come together to celebrate Kwanzaa! This special event will honour African heritage, unity and culture and will be a time to reflect on the seven principles of Kwanzaa, enjoy cultural traditions and foster community spirit. [Please click here](#) for further information.

PRIMARY SKATE PROGRAM: Please remember to submit payment (\$11.00) and permission through School Cash Online for the Primary Skate Program for students in Grades 1-3. Thank you to families that have already done so. The Primary Skate Program is part of the Physical Education program. The dates for skating are **Thursday, November 28, December 11 & 18, 2024**. Students will be skating at the Aurora Family Leisure Complex located at 135 Industrial Parkway N., Aurora. Staff, students and volunteers will walk to and from Northern Lights P.S. and the AFLC arena. Please click on the following links if you are interested in [Volunteering](#) or if your child will need to [borrow skating equipment](#) to participate.