

# The Darwell Dragon Digest

## Christmas Concert

Please come out to see our Christmas concert which will be held on December 20th at 1:00pm and 6:30pm in the school gym. Our students have two performances so that we can accommodate everyone who would like to attend while respecting fire codes. Please join us for the afternoon performance if you are available. More detailed information will come home with students.

## Hampers/Toy Donations

We will be collecting non-perishable food items as well as toys. Donations for hampers can be dropped off at the school until Tuesday, December 20th so we can have time to distribute them.

We will have draws for raffle prizes during the evening Christmas concert. You do not have to be in attendance to win! People 18 years and older can purchase raffle tickets on December 20th at the school prior to each concert. If you have any items to donate for the raffle, we will be collecting them until December 19th. All proceeds from donations and raffles will go to families in our community.

## Photo Booth

There will be a photo booth for students to get individual pictures or group pictures during lunch recess from December 5th to December 7th. Photos are \$2 or a food/toy donation. Pictures will be printed and also emailed to the student's school email account. All proceeds will be donated to families in the community.

## Darwell School Council/Betterment Meetings

Please make note that the next Darwell School Council and Betterment meetings will be held at the school on Tuesday, January 24th at 3:30pm. Please arrive after 3:25pm so that the buses will be out of the parking lot so you will have room to park. Babysitting will be available for children 2 years of age and above.

School Council members will be selling your donated baked treats at both Christmas concerts. More details will be going home shortly. Proceeds will go to families in the community.

## School Bus Service Cancellations Due to Weather and/or Road Conditions

If weather and/or road conditions are bad, or predicted to be bad, the Director of Student Transportation for Northern Gateway Public Schools in consultation with some local bus drivers and the Superintendent of Schools and Environment Canada will make a decision whether to cancel bus operations. The decision is made, with consideration for student safety being given top priority. Based on the best information available, the Director of Student Transportation makes a decision whether the buses will be running or not. From here the bus drivers are notified and the fan-out lists are engaged. You should receive a phone call from your bus driver's fan out on these occasions. Please contact your child's bus driver if this does not occur. If buses run on a day when parents feel they should not, it is always the parent's choice to keep their children at home. If your child/ren are not in the busing area, please check our school division website at [www.ngps.ca](http://www.ngps.ca) or our school website at [www.darwellschool.ca](http://www.darwellschool.ca) for details.

A bus driver can also make the decision that their bus will not be operating based on weather and road conditions. They will notify the Director of Student Transportation and begin their parent fan out list to inform you. If buses are not running, ALL field trips and special activities will be postponed.



**December 2022**

## Important Dates:

5th-7th- Photo Booth

8th: Jersey Day

16th: Wear a Christmas Sweater

20th: Christmas Concert  
1pm & 6:30pm

21st: Pajama Day

22nd: Wear Red & Green

23rd: Wear a Santa Hat

## No School Dates:

26th-January 6th: Winter Vacation - Classes resume Monday, January 9, 2023



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