

# The Darwell Dragon Digest

## Remembrance Day Ceremony

Please join us on Tuesday, November 7th at 1pm for our Remembrance Day Ceremony. As this event will begin promptly at 1pm, please arrive before 1pm as the doors will remain closed so as to not interrupt the ceremony.

## Picture Retakes

Student photos should be arriving at the school shortly. Retakes will be taken on Tuesday, November 14. If you would like your child to have retakes you can return their proof page with an "X" in the retake box and send the page to the school prior to November 14, call the school at 780-892-2478, or email [terri.stark@ngps.ca](mailto:terri.stark@ngps.ca) and we will add them to the list. If your child was absent on picture day they will already be on the list for retakes so you do not need to contact the school.

## Darwell School Council/Betterment Meetings

Please make note that the next Darwell School Council and Betterment meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 21st from 3:30pm-4:30pm. 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. If you are planning to attend, please contact the school so that we will be sure your child does not go on the bus home.

## Thank you Onoway Bigway!

If you are shopping at the Onoway Bigway, don't forget to write Darwell School on your store receipt and drop it in their school fundraising box by the exit. At the beginning of the school year they count up the receipts and send the school a portion of the total!

## Winter Weather = Winter Clothing

All students should have the appropriate clothing for the bus ride to school and to go outside for recesses: snow pants, mitts, touques, and coats.

## 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, 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.



## November 2023

### Important Dates:

2nd: Lunch by the Bunch;  
Little Caesar's Orders Due

7th: Remembrance Day  
Ceremony - 1pm

14th: Picture Retakes

15th: Fundscrip Orders  
Due

16th: Hot Dog Day

21st: School Council &  
Betterment Meeting  
3:30pm-4:30pm

22nd: Purdys Orders Due

23rd: Lunch by the Bunch

29th: Wear a Hat (\$1 or a  
non-perishable food item)

30th: Hot Dog Day

### No School Dates:

9th: PD Day

10th: Day in Lieu of Parent  
Teacher Interviews

13th: Day in Lieu of  
Remembrance Day



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