



## Eastview Secondary School

### February News

#### Character attribute for the month of February

**Inclusiveness:** We include everyone in what we do and value their contributions.

More information about Character Education can be found here: [www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character\\_education](http://www.scdsb.on.ca/about/character_education)

#### Significant days, holy days, holidays and heritage recognition occurring in the month of February

1 Lunar New Year, 2 Imbolc Wicca, 5 Vasant Panchami Hinduism, 8 Nirvana Day Jainism, 15 Nirvana Day Buddhism, 16 Maitreya Bodhisattva's Birthday Buddhism, 16 Magha ends Buddhism, 21 Family Day (ON) Provincial Holiday, 25-Mar 1 Ayyám-i-Há (Intercalary Days) Bahá'

#### February PA Day

Please note that Wednesday, Feb. 2 is a PA Day for SCDSB secondary students only. Please refer to the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar on the SCDSB website for more information:

[www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/planning\\_for\\_school/school\\_year\\_calendar](http://www.scdsb.on.ca/elementary/planning_for_school/school_year_calendar)

#### Daily COVID-19 self-assessment

Families are asked to ensure that their child(ren) complete and pass the COVID-19 self-screening tool daily prior to attending school. Based on the recommendation of the OCMOH, the [daily COVID-19 self-screening tool](#) has been updated and includes a more sensitive COVID-19 symptom list as well as the requirement for anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 to self-isolate and stay home, regardless of vaccination status.

#### High school information events for Grade 8 students

Is your child starting Grade 9 next year? High school information events will happen virtually this winter. Student leaders and staff at the school will give an overview of what's new and what to expect. Please visit your school's website for more information.

#### Keep connected with our school and with the SCDSB

It's important to get accurate information about what's going on at your school and at the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB). Here are some ways to do that:

- Subscribe to our school's website by visiting the 'What's New' section at <http://.eas.scdsb.on.ca>. You can sign up to receive emails about school news updates and information during emergency situations. It's easy to subscribe – visit our website and click the 'Subscribe' link at the very top of the page. Provide your email and click 'Subscribe'; a message will be sent to your inbox with a link to click to confirm that you want to subscribe. You can unsubscribe at any time using the link at the bottom of each email.
- Sign up to receive SCDSB media releases by clicking the 'Subscribe' button at [www.scdsb.on.ca](http://www.scdsb.on.ca). Follow the SCDSB on Twitter (@SCDSB\_Schools), Facebook ([facebook.com/SCDSB](https://www.facebook.com/SCDSB)) and Instagram ([instagram.com/scdsb](https://www.instagram.com/scdsb)), Twitter- [@WildcatGuidance](https://twitter.com/WildcatGuidance), Instagram- [eastview\\_wildcats](https://www.instagram.com/eastview_wildcats),

**Interested in learning more about the ways that the SCDSB supports students with special education needs and their families? Join us for a virtual special education outreach series**

In 2022, the Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) is hosting virtual special education outreach sessions to assist parents/caregivers in learning more about programs, supports and ways that we work together to support students with special education needs.

**Supporting students with Autism Spectrum Disorder in SCDSB schools and within our communities – information for parents/caregivers**

Feb. 17

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**Supporting students as they transition into school, from one school to another, and from school upon graduation – information for parents/caregivers**

April 12

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**Working with families to create safe and supportive environments for children who have experienced trauma – information for parents/caregivers**

May 10

6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Participants are asked to register in advance. Information to access the sessions will be shared via email with individuals who have pre-registered. Learn more about each session and how to register on the SCDSB website at <https://bit.ly/3s8OBm8>.

**Math @Home parent/guardian series**

The SCDSB math department is offering three evening virtual sessions for caregivers of SCDSB students. These sessions will focus on practical and fun ways to support students with their mathematics learning and engagement at home. Participants will receive a math pack of resources to use at home, and must pre-register for each of the sessions by visiting <https://bit.ly/SCDSBMathAtHomeRegistration>.

**Making math connections @Home**

Thursday, March 24, 2022

7 to 8 p.m.

This session will explore where we find numbers, patterns, measures and shapes in our daily lives. Participants will learn about practical ways to help their child notice and wonder about the math in their world.

**Problem solving @Home**

Wednesday, April 26, 2022

7 to 8 p.m.

This session will explore how to encourage children to be active thinkers and problem solvers, both in math and around the house. Participants will learn about how solving problems at home can help their children solve problems in math class.

**Having Fun with Math Facts @Home**

Thursday, May 12, 2022

7 to 8 p.m.

This session will explore practical, intentional, and fun ways to practice math facts at home. Participants will leave with ideas, games, and activities to support their child with becoming fluent with their math facts.

Participants must pre-register for the sessions they wish to attend. Registered participants will receive a Math @Home pack of hands-on resources that will be sent to the school indicated on the registration form.

## **Inclement weather and bus cancellation information reminder**

All information regarding cancelled buses in Simcoe County is posted on the Simcoe County Student Transportation Consortium (SCSTC)'s bus information website at [www.simcoecounty-schoolbus.ca](http://www.simcoecounty-schoolbus.ca). Our school is in the central zone. When buses are cancelled, schools remain open for student learning, unless otherwise noted. School staff are expected to plan for such emergencies in order to transition students who are unable to attend due to inclement weather, to their online platforms (Google Classroom and/or SCDSBhub [Brightspace by D2L]) and continue with academic programming. It is always a family decision whether or not it is safe for their child(ren) to leave for school under severe weather conditions.

The Consortium and bus operators try to make the decision to cancel school buses before 6 a.m. and make every effort to post announcements before 7 a.m. Inclement weather cancellations are effective for the whole day and buses cancelled in the morning will not run at the end of the day. You can follow the Consortium on Twitter [@SCSTC\\_SchoolBus](https://twitter.com/SCSTC_SchoolBus) for bus cancellations and other information. You can also subscribe to receive bus delay notifications here: <https://scstc.ca/Subscriptions/Login.aspx>.

## **EarlyON Child and Family Centres**

Did you know that EarlyON Child and Family Centres offer free programs, resources, parenting courses, developmental screening, as well as referrals to community programs? All children, prenatal through 6 years of age can participate with their parent(s) or caregiver(s). In Simcoe County there are four agencies that deliver EarlyON Child and Family programs. Services are available in English and French and can be explored by visiting [www.simcoe.ca/ChildrenandCommunityServices/Pages/EarlyON.aspx](http://www.simcoe.ca/ChildrenandCommunityServices/Pages/EarlyON.aspx). EarlyON Child and Family Centre staff are trained in child development and facilitation of educational programs for parents/guardians and children. Coming soon; a parent/child interactive program for parents/guardians and children who are starting Kindergarten this fall! Stay tuned for registration information.