



CELTICS SNIPPETS

FEBRUARY 2 – 6, 2026

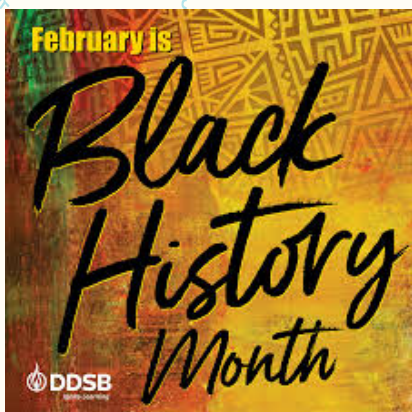
Commitment to Learning

Overview

In this issue of **Celtics Snippets**, please find snippets of information to support student learning, as well as a look ahead to upcoming key dates.

Black History Month

Black History Month takes place in February. Throughout the month there will be various events taking place including daily announcements showcasing Black Canadian historical figures and displays throughout the school including 'Give Them Flowers' and "Black History is Canadian History".



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Grade 8 Information Night

The Welcome to Grade 8 Information Night will be held on Thursday, February 5th from 5:30–7:30pm. Be sure to mark your calendars!

Starting with Success

Students are encouraged to reflect on their strengths and goals learned from their progress in Semester 1 and apply this knowledge to start on a successful track for Semester 2. Re-establishing school routines and maintaining a healthy balance of academic rigour, physical activity and down time is important.

Department Spotlight

Administration

Vice Principal Ms. Verhoog started with us at the start of Semester 2 and is replacing Ms. Neblett who has moved to another DDSB school. We would like to extend a warm welcome to Ms. Verhoog!



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Department Spotlight

Guidance

- **OCAS** College Applications due **February 1st**
- In Class Course Selection Information Presentations for Grades 9-11 will be running on **February 9th** in classrooms
- The Course Carousel will be on **February 11th** where students can learn about courses from subject specific staff
- Course Selection and Summer School Registration opens on myBluePrint starting **February 10th at 10am**
- Course Selection and Course Applications (SHSM/Coop/Outdoor Pursuits) are due on **February 24th at 3:30pm**

Business

DECA provincials will be running from February 5th through to February 7th. This is an opportunity for our students to develop their business skills in real-world situations through case studies and role-playing. Wishing our students the best of luck at the Provincials!

Clubs/Teams News

Clubs/Teams Update

Club activities and team games/tournaments will resume the week of February 2nd! As we begin Semester 2, please check with staff advisors and/or coaches for information about meetings and/or practice times. This week in sports Girls Hockey, Boys Basketball and Girls Volleyball will be playing throughout the week. Good Luck Celtics!

Our Elevate Dance Conference will be taking place on Feb. 6th from 5-7pm





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Reminders

Start Up of Semester 2

This week will be a Week 2 on our schedule. Our welcome Assemblies will be on February 3rd during first and second period. This is an important time to welcome students new to Sinclair and provide reminders to all students around school expectations and setting up Semester 2 for success!

Fall OSSLT Results

Students who wrote the Fall 2025 Literacy test will receive their results this week.

Durham Region Health

Durham Region Health (DRH) has sent out notifications to guardians for students whose immunizations are not up to date. Please ensure you have updated all immunizations for our students prior to February 12th. Students will be required to remain at home starting on February 12th if their immunizations have not been updated with DRH. You can contact our designated Health Nurse at 905-668-7711 ext. 3789.

Upcoming Events

- **Welcome Assemblies on February 3rd:**
 - **Grade 9 → 9:40-10:05am**
 - **Grade 10 → 11:00-11:25am**
 - **Grade 11 → 10:10-10:35am**
 - **Grade 12 → 11:30-11:55am**

Upcoming Events

- **February 1st:** OCAS (Ontario Colleges Application Centre) – applications due
- **February 3rd:** Welcome Assemblies
- **February 5th:** Grade 8 Parent Night
- **February 7th:** Rammadan Market at J. Clarke Richardson 11am to 7pm
- **February 10th:** Summer School opens on myBluePrint
- **February 11th:** Final Report Cards distributed on Parent Portal
- **February 12th:** Immunization Suspension

Date

Sinclair S.S.

Principal – Dave Sasseville

Vice Principals – Denise Bratincevic (Surnames A-G)
Kavita Kanavalli (Surnames H-N)
Maureen Verhoog (Surnames O-Z)

Superintendent – Andrea McAuley

School Trustees – Michelle Areseneault, Tracy Brown, and Christine Thatcher