



CELTICS SNIPPETS

JANUARY 26 - 30, 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.

Semester 1 wrap up and Semester 2 start up

Exams/summatives will be finished on January 26th. If an exam is postponed due to inclement weather, each exam would move forward one day with the last exam being on January 27th. Notifications of any DDSB or Bus cancellations are posted on the DDSB website in the morning.

January 28th is our exam review day. It is also credit completion day which is by teacher invitation.

All students are welcome back on January 29th for the start of Semester 2!

Student timetables for Semester 2 are visible on the Parent Portal. This will be a week one schedule.

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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!

Attendance

Semester 2 begins on Thursday, January 29th. It will run as a week one schedule. Arriving to class early is a great way to start semester two on a positive note. Attendance and punctuality are an important part of success!

Department Spotlight

Business

The Grade 10 Business classes worked hard to bring their Food Truck ideas to life and their soft launch was a huge success! Congratulations to our future entrepreneurs for their innovative concepts, collaboration and outstanding execution of their Food Trucks during their soft launch!



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Department Spotlight

Guidance

- In Class Course Selection Information Presentations for Grades 9-11 will be running on February 9th
- 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
- Our Exam Preparation and Wellness Event run by our Celtic Ambassadors was a huge success and helped students prepare for their upcoming exams!



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.

DECA has been working hard to prepare for the upcoming DECA Provincials running from Feb. 5-7

Sinclair Strings will be starting early in Semester 2 for any students interested in learning how to play a string instrument!





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Reminders

Start Up of Semester 2

Reminders as we begin a new semester to help our students have a successful start:

- For students who are driven to school, the drop off and pick up location is at the North End of the student parking lot. Please do not enter the Bus Zone or the Staff Parking Lot.
- Students who are being signed out by a parent or guardian are required to leave school property at the time of sign-out. Students who have been signed out may not remain on school property.
- Students are not permitted to use their Cell Phones or any personal electronic devices during class time, they are permitted to use this devices before and after school, at lunch and between classes.
- A reminder about our Scent Awareness policy, we will continue to work together to keep all of our students and staff safe from allergens caused by scent.

Wishing all of our students a wonderful and smooth start to Semester 2!

Upcoming Events

- **January 26th:** Week 1, Period 4 Exam @ 9:30am
- **January 27th:** Alternate Exam Day (if required)
- **January 28th:** Credit Completion / Exam Review Day
- **January 29th:** First day of Semester 2!

Upcoming Events

- **January 29th:** Semester 2 begins
- **February 1st:** OCAS (Ontario Colleges Application Centre) – applications due
- **February 5th:** Grade 8 Parent Night
- **February 11th:** Final Report Cards distributed on Parent Portal
- **February 12th:** Immunization Suspension Date

Sinclair S.S.

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Vice Principals – Denise Bratincevic (Surnames A-G)

Kavita Kanavalli (Surnames H-N)

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