

DECEMBER ALERT!

Here at Dufferin, we have some amazing traditions in the month of December.

We love **Spirit Days**! This year we have decided to have a Spirit Day every **Friday** in December. Please mark your calendar with the following:

December 8th: Ugly or Beautiful Holiday Sweater Day;

December 15th: Tête des fêtes! Holiday heads, hats, hair, accessories;

December 22nd: Pyjama Day/ Lounge wear – spend the last day of the school as comfy as your first day of holidays!

We will also continue our tradition of **Fill-a-Bus food drive** for the Brantford Food Bank/Christmas Baskets. In recent years, our Dufferin community has been one of the top schools for its generous donations of non-perishable food items to our local community. This year we have set a goal of 100 items per classroom; we hope to donate close to 2000 food items; That`s roughly 4 items per child, big or small. Of special request are items for a turkey dinner: stuffing, gravy, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, canned vegetables. Special treats, snack foods or even essentials are always in demand. This year we have rewards for the top 3 classes in the NUMBER of food items: Pizza party for 1st prize; and select class prizes for 2nd and 3rd places.

Food items will be collected on the following days in December: Friday (8th) Monday (11th) Tuesday (12th) and Wednesday, (13th).

Another service that Student Council offers again this year is **Candygrams** – cannegrammes. We sell candy canes (peppermint or fruit flavoured) with a holiday message to friends, family or other important people at school that will be delivered in the last days of school before the holidays.

Cost: \$.50 each or 5 for \$2.00. They will be **on sale December 11-15**th during breaks. Assistance will be provided for children in JK, SK and grade 1. This year, our profits will go to Salvation Army.

FYI: Dufferin's **Christmas Countdown** is an advent calendar with small presents to be won by one person per homeroom from December 1st – December 22nd – no action or purchase required. Winners will be announced daily, starting with the youngest grades/classes.

We thank you for your support and encouragement of these special initiatives to make the holidays more fun and meaningful for our community at Dufferin as well as our greater community of Brantford.

Joyeuses fêtes!

Student Council