

The Cobra Compass

Caistor Central Public School
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Principal Message

Shining Brightly!

This month, we're focusing on all that's wonderful about kids and giving them opportunities to shine brightly. We want to showcase all the great things about our cobras! What are they "genius" at or what brings them joy? Let's celebrate it!

There are opportunities that we're providing this month with this in mind:

March 31st is **Proud to be Me Day!** Dress in anything that makes you proud!! This may include:

- something special given to you by someone special (grandparent, parent, etc.)
- something you have earned like a medal, ribbon, or an award
- traditional or cultural clothing
- clothes with a cause or positive message
- a uniform, jersey, or clothing from an activity you participate in
- Caistor spirit wear
- anything that shows your uniqueness or something about yourself you want to celebrate

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As you know, Mrs. Corso is anticipating some wonderful changes in her family as she awaits the arrival of her babies. We are so happy for her. It will be sad to say good-bye for a time but wish her all the best as her family grows. During Mrs. Corso's leave, we welcome Ms. Dunlop to the kindergarten class on March 2nd until the end of the school year. She is very excited to get to know the students and invest in our school community.

What ever plans you have for March Break, we wish our families a safe and healthy break and look forward to reconnecting once we are refreshed and ready for the remainder of the school year!

Mrs. T. Chilcott



March

Ala – 19 Days of Fasting begins.....	Mar. 2
Pizza Day.....	Mar. 7
Int'l Women's Day.....	Mar. 8
Uncrate the Sun Day.....	Mar. 10
Harriet Tubman Day.....	Mar. 10
March Break begins.....	Mar. 13
Welcome Back.....	Mar. 20
World Down Syndrome Day.....	Mar. 21
Pizza Day.....	Mar. 21
Robotics Competition.....	Mar. 21
World Water Day.....	Mar. 22
Ramadan starts.....	Mar. 23 to Apr. 30
Pizza Day.....	Mar. 28
School Council Mtg.....	Mar. 28
Proud to be Me Day.....	Mar. 31



Celebrating Our Students – Way to Go!

Class	Student of the Month Award	Character Trait Award Kindness & Caring
K1 Bleich & McPherson-Easey	Ben R, Natalie H	Emily Q, Jordyn C
K2 Killins & Corso	Blake W, Daynica D	Kaydence C, Alix H
1 Donders	Lendrick M	Jaxon P
2 Sohi	Abigail M	Theo H, Nate W
3 Misener	Chase P, Austin L	Ivy H, Tobin P
3/4 VanDriel & Sodtke	Hailey B, Davina C	Gerrit T, Katie P
4/5 Whitfield	Daytona C, Owen M	Hailey W
6 Dosa	Ramona M	Bryson A
7/8 Nawrocki	Kris K, Rylan P	Cora B
7/8 Wellman	Devon C	Nicholas S

March – Optimism – I have a positive attitude. I see challenges as opportunities. I think, and act to make the world a better place. I have hope for the future.

Kindergarten Registration Information for 2023-2024 School Year

We were excited to host our Kindergarten Open House on Thursday, February 2. Did you, or someone you know miss our open house and have a child who was born in 2019? If so, connect with the school and we can make arrangements for a visit. There is still time to register by visiting the [DSBN Kindergarten registration link](#). If you have any questions, please contact the office.



Vision & Hearing Clinic – April 6th

We are excited to be bringing a Hearing & Vision Screening Clinic to Caistor Central Public School. This clinic is offered to all students JK to Grade 8. The clinic will take place on April 6th at Caistor Central Public School. Registration must be completed in advance through School Cash Online and will close in early April. Look for the email in mid-March. There is a cost of \$20 for this optional screening. Only families that complete the registration through School Cash Online will be screened. If you are unable to complete the registration through School Cash Online but would like to have your child screened, please contact the office. [For additional information, please click here.](#)

Yearbooks

We are offering a wonderful, full colour yearbook to capture the memories of the 2022-2023 school year for \$22. It's currently under construction! Orders and payment can be made through School Cash Online beginning late March. Look for the email coming soon!

Yearbook Photo Day

On March 23rd, photos will be taken for our Caistor Central Yearbook. If your child has been on an athletic team, club, committee or held a leadership position this year, we are hoping that they can make every effort to attend school on this day. There will **not** be a retake day for these photos.

Fun Fair – Hold the Date!

We're celebrating together as a Caistor Community again this spring at Fun Fair! Please hold the date of June 2nd and watch for more details to follow shortly. Thank you to the Caistor Central School Council for hosting this event!

Each year, we rely on, and appreciate, the generous donations of parents and the community to make our Raffle, Silent Auction and Prize Table such a success. We couldn't do this without your support. If you are able to donate raffle basket or silent auction items, we welcome you to drop them off at the main office anytime and we'll store them away until Fun Fair. Thanks so much for your consideration.

School Advisory Council

Our fifth School Advisory Council Meeting was held on February 28th, which focused on Fun Fair planning. Thank you to all the parents that attended our meeting. All School Advisory Council meeting agendas and minutes will be posted on the [Caistor Central Website](#) once they are approved. Our schedule of meetings for the 2022-2023 school year is as follows:

- March 28, 2023 @ 6:00pm
- May 23, 2023 @ 6:00pm

New members are always welcome to join and meeting may be added if the need arises.

Grade 8 Graduation – Save the Date!

Just a reminder that Grade 8 Graduation will be held on the evening of Monday, June 26 at Caistor Central School. We look forward to honouring the Caistor Central class of 2023 with the families of our graduates. Further information will be sent home as we finalize our plans.



Coaches and Clubs Corner

Activity	Day & Time	Coach / Club Leader
Cursive Writing Club	Meet during lunch breaks	Mrs. Misener
Junior Basketball	Try-outs have begun. The season will begin upon our return from March Break. Further information (such as game days/after school) will be shared with the team as we receive it.	Mr. Nawrocki – Girls Mrs. Whitfield – Boys
Primary Lego Club	Morning breaks	Mrs. Chilcott
Chess Club	Tuesdays and Thursdays	Mrs. Sohi
Robotics Team	Afternoon breaks	Mrs. Gamble
Forest Of Reading		Mme. Gravelle

March Spirit Days!

March 10 – Uncrate the Sun! Hawaiian Day!

Let's warm up and brighten the school day by "uncrating the sun"! Wear your brightest, tropical shirts! Dig out your sun hat and sunglasses! Be creative! Have fun!



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- Caistor spirit wear or Canada gear
- or anything else of your choosing

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DSBN eFlyers

Many community events and activities are posted on the DSBN eFlyers website. I encourage you to take a look, on occasion, to ensure you do not miss any community events that might be of interest to you or your family. To view the eFlyers, please follow the simple instructions:

1. Log onto our website: www.dsbm.org
2. Click on "Community" tab
3. Click on "eFlyer Request" and you may browse through the 'Recent eFlyers' to find offerings from a variety of community organizations.

Inclement Weather Procedures

There are times in Niagara when weather conditions are so poor that we must cancel student transportation, and/or close schools to preserve the safety of students and staff. The decision to cancel transportation and/or close schools is not taken lightly; a variety of factors are considered when making this choice. To learn more about how these decisions are made, please go to <https://www.dsbni.org/inclementweather>.

Transportation Cancellations:

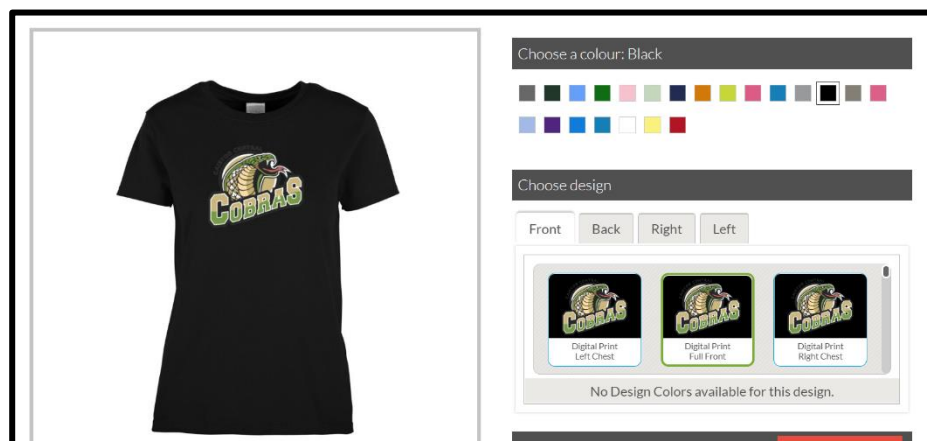
Information about transportation delays and cancellations are posted to <https://portal.nsts.ca/Cancellations.aspx>. When transportation is cancelled, every effort is made to communicate the decision by 6:00 am on the day of the cancellation. There are times when transportation is cancelled, but schools remain open. If, on those days you feel it is best for your child to stay home, please report your child's absence <https://dsbni.org/safearrival/> so we can make sure they are safe at home.

School Closures:

When the decision to close schools is made, it refers to all schools. Every effort will be made to share school closure information before 6:00 am on the day of the school closure. You will find it on [dsbni.org](https://www.dsbni.org), all school websites, DSBNI social media, and local media share the news widely as well.

Cobra Spirit Wear! Order Away!

Spirit wear is now available for order! Official Cobra colours are black and dark green. There are lots of items to choose from – Ts, hoodies, hats and toques, bags, jackets and more! You can [order here](#)! Note that you can select the size and location of the Cobra logo and add text for an additional fee. You can also find an updated ordering link on our school website!



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