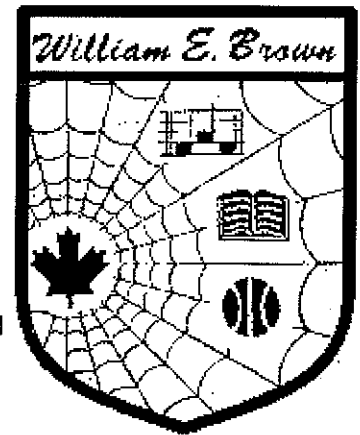


March 7, 2011

# William E. Brown School NEWS



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## Super Star Awards: Habits of Mind

Principal :

Mrs. J. E. Brown

Superintendent Area 2:

Mrs. S. Greer

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Director of Education:

Mr. W. Hoshizaki

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Special Education

Area 2

Resource Teacher:

Ms. Nikki Train

(905-227-5551)

### Applying Past Knowledge to New Situations

#### (Habit of Mind for the month of March)

Use what you learn!

Accessing prior knowledge;

transferring knowledge beyond the situation in which it was learned.

## PRINCIPAL FOR THE DAY: (Monday, February 28, 2011)

My name is Rowan O'Rourke and I was Principal for the day on Monday, February 28, 2011. Here is a brief description of my day:

Today I used the P.A system to do the announcements and do "O Canada". I also said that 5 minutes would be added to the recess and right now I am writing this newsletter insert. Principal for a day tickets were sold for one dollar and I only bought 1 ticket. In total, the "Make Change for Children" campaign including "Principal for a Day" and the Free Throw Competition, W. E. Brown School raised \$295.04

By: Rowan O'Rourke (Grade 3)

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## IMPORTANT DATES:

Cupcake Sale: Tuesday, March 8 12:55 p.m. (\$0.25)

Grade 8 Graduation & SK Graduation Photo Session : Wednesday, March 9 a.m.

Hot Lunch: Wednesday, March 9th 12:55 p.m.

Skating: Thursday, March 10th Gr.3/4-8 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Jk-Gr.3 11:15a.m. -12:45 p.m.

"Salute your School" 105.7 Easy Rock:

Thursday, March 10 12:05 p.m. Gr 5/6 class has lunch with Jack & Lori

Friday, March 11th:

11:30 a.m. Sue Kanyo Memorial Assembly

March Break: March 14-18, 2011

DSBN Road Race Forms due: March 23rd

School Advisory Council Meeting :

-Thursday, April 21st 6 p.m. \*\*(no meeting in March)

Good Friday Holiday: Friday, April 22nd

Easter Monday Holiday: Monday, April 25th

## SPRING IS AROUND THE CORNER, YET BE PREPARED FOR COLD WEATHER!

With the arrival of spring, it is very important that all students come to school prepared to spend some time outside during our two Fitness Breaks. All students will continue to have a morning Fitness Break (30 minutes) and an afternoon Fitness Break (25 minutes) during the school day so they need to remember that **warm coats, hats, gloves and boots will continue to be important items of clothing.**

Please remember that **every student will need to have a pair of indoor running shoes at school** so that they can be properly prepared for physical education classes.

### **NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY:**

The Forest of Reading book series is now available for all students. On behalf of all of the students and staff, I would like to thank the School Advisory Council for their generous donation towards the purchase of these books for all of our students to enjoy. The Blue Spruce series is being read to the students during library time to the Kindergarten to Grade 2 classes. The Silver Birch Express series is being read to the Grades 3 and 4 classes. The Silver Birch series, for Grades 5 and 6 will be read by the students during a new reading club starting up next week. The Red Maple series is being read by the students in Grades 7 and 8. Once all of the books have been read during these specified times, they will be available to all students in our regular circulation. The various series can be identified with special stickers on the front of the books and a thank you sticker on the back indicating the School Council has purchased these books. These are all Canadian books that have been chosen by a special panel of teachers, authors, etc. and are excellent books.

Check out the Destiny homepage for our library by going to: <http://destiny.dsbm.edu.on.ca> Select William E. Brown from the list of schools, then log into Destiny using your username and password. This can be accessed from home with various links to research tools, other local libraries, author websites, on line books, our library circulation, up coming events, etc. (The students will be receiving a book mark with this information as well to take home).

Please make sure that all reading books your child has are returned on their scheduled Library time so that they can take out new books. If a book goes missing, please notify Mrs. Nauta so that the student can continue to take out books while the book is being searched for. Thank you.

### **HAPPY READING, WEB!!**

Mrs. Nauta (FSL, Teacher-Librarian)

### **SEVERE ALLERGY TO ALL NUTS:**

There is a student that attends our school that suffers from a severe allergy which can cause an anaphylactic reaction. An anaphylactic reaction is an allergic reaction so

severe that in some cases, it can be life threatening. The child has a severe allergy to **ALL NUTS**. Prevention is the best approach. Therefore, we ask your co-operation in not sending any snacks or lunches containing nuts with your child.

At this time, we are also instituting other measures to create an appropriate learning environment. We are asking that all food be eaten in the classroom(s) or designated areas, not outside the school or on school buses. We encourage students not to share snacks with others.

A letter has been sent home with each student, so that we ensure that all students and parents are aware.

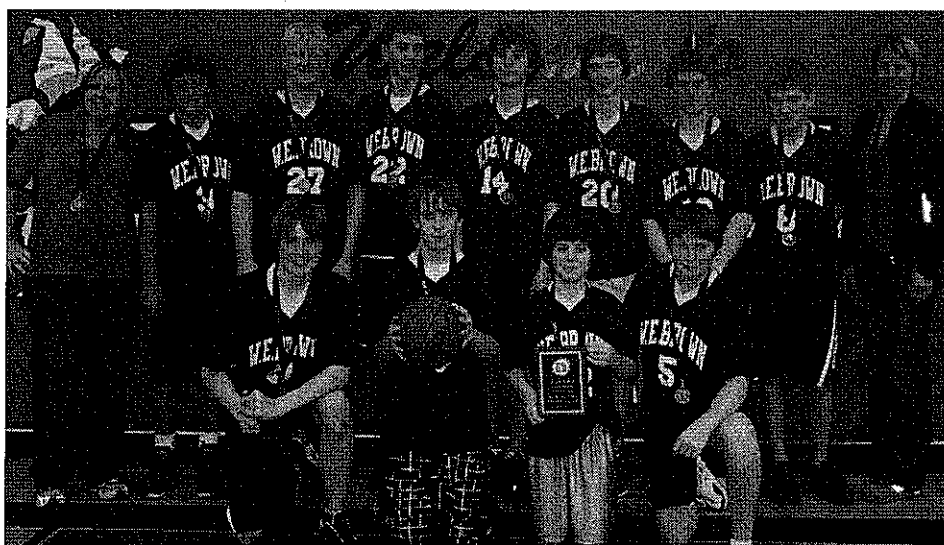
Your support in this important matter is greatly appreciated.

## Intermediate Boys Basketball Team--- Champions!!

The William E Brown Intermediate Boys basketball team enjoyed a very successful season. They came in first in their regular season with a 5-0 record. Then they continued on to the Port Colborne/Wainfleet playoffs to win the championship game versus Oakwood School. The DSBN tournament brought some strong competition between John Marshall School, Simcoe Street School and ourselves. The boys suffered a loss to Simcoe and a narrow win versus John Marshall and eventually advanced to the championship night at Eastdale School. Simcoe Street and W.E.Brown faced off once again. At half time WEB was down 5 points but pulled forward in the last half to win by 2. Congratulations to William E Brown - the DSBN (C) Champions!

### Intermediate Basketball awards given to:

Kyle Kerslake - Best Team Spirit      Blake Ellis - Most Improved Passing      Dylan Mann - Best Outside Shot  
 Cole Montgomery - Best Fast-Break Shot      Connor Wilson - Most Improved Defense      Kreek Barrick - Outstanding Rookie  
 Nate Crowhurst - Best Rebounder      Blair Emburgh - Most Improved Guard      Colton Jones - Outstanding Team Leader  
 Jesse Cassell - Best Dedicated Practicer      Colton Hines - Best Long Pass      Carter Jack - Best Underhand Lay-Up



(Back row left to right: Coach Mrs. Pietrangelo, Colton J., Connor W., Nate C., Cole M., Kreek B., Colton H., Jesse C., coach Mrs. Crowhurst. Front row L to R: Kyle K., Blair E., Carter J., Dylan M. (absent Blake E.).

## Make Change for Children Week Activities at William E. Brown School:

During the week of February 22-25th, the staff and students of William E. Brown School were involved in several "Make Change For Children" activities in order to raise funds for the Education Foundation of Niagara.

Tuesday-Thursday: Grades 4-8 students participated in a Free Throw competition. Friday, February 25th was a school Spirit day - "SPORTS DAY" & also "Sue Kanyo Free Throw Contest" championship.

The winner of "Principal for a Day", Rowan O'Rourke was ready for his duties on Friday, however, due to the inclement weather, he was Principal for the Day on Monday, February 28th.

**DSBN Academy will be a Grade 6-12 public school that focuses on supporting and empowering students to be the first in their families to graduate from a post-secondary institution.**



**DSBN  
Academy**

ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH OPPORTUNITY

### **DSBN Academy Strategies for Success:**

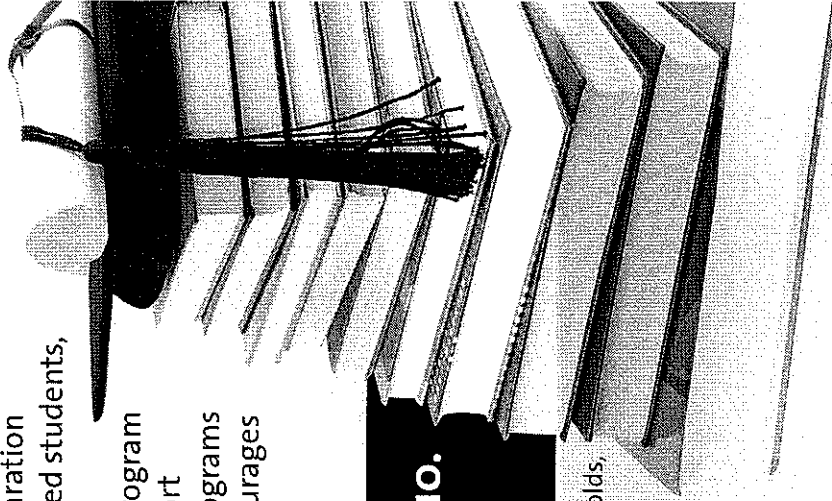
- School-wide shared beliefs focused on post-secondary preparation
- Committed and motivated students, families and staff
- Single track academic program
- Advisory program support
- After school "encore" programs
- Programming that encourages parent involvement
- Transportation

**Applications are due Thursday, March 10.  
Please see your Principal for an application form.**



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Achieving Success Together  
905 641 1550 [www.dsbni.org](http://www.dsbni.org)

Questions? Contact Tom Reynolds,  
DSBN Academy Program  
Coordinator  
at 641 2929 ext. 54143





# SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES

FEBRUARY 17, 2011

*School newsletter inserts for your consideration*

## ELEMENTARY

### ECO-CORNER

Eco-Corner....by the DSBN Environmental Sustainability Committee

Reducing/Eliminating Single Use Plastic Water Bottles

Millions of single use plastic water bottles are purchased every day in North America....Where does that water and plastic come from? Where will that plastic go? Do some fact finding...here's some facts and websites to get you started.

Get involved at home, at school, or at work...

'Bottled Water Free Day' on March 10  
(<http://www.bottledwaterfreeday.ca>)

World Water Day on March 22  
(<http://www.worldwaterday.org/>)

Let the DSBN Environmental Sustainability Committee know about your school's or family's plan to reduce waste with plastic bottles by uploading your idea to our website @ [www.dsbn.org/esc/](http://www.dsbn.org/esc/)

#### Take Action

- Promote the use of reusable bottles.
- View the video "The story of bottled water" by Annie Leonard, <http://storyofstuff.org/bottledwater/>. Hold a discussion with the students about bottled water issues.
- Have the school or green committee logo printed on stainless steel bottles: sell these bottles as promotional items or fundraisers. Give as prizes for activities or draws.

#### Statistics

Only 23 percent of the water bottles that Americans use are ever recycled. This means that 36 billion water bottles are filling up landfills instead of being reused.

#### Decomposing

It takes a plastic water bottle 1,000 years before it will even begin to start decomposing.

#### Danger to the Environment

When water bottles are not recycled, they can do serious damage to the environment. If a water bottle is burned, it releases toxic smoke which destroys the ozone layer (which we need to protect us from UV rays and skin cancer).

#### Uses for Recycled Bottles

Recycled water bottles can be turned into many useful items such as carpet, clothing, new bottles, electronic parts and car parts.

#### STATS OR FACTS

1. Bottled water is 2000 times more energy intensive than tap water.
2. It takes 3 litres of water to produce 1 litre of bottled water.
3. Bottled water is 240 to 10,000 times more expensive than tap water.
4. Between April 2008 and April 2009, only 6% of bottled water producers in Canada were inspected by health authorities. And what about tap water? Municipalities often test public water 24 hours a day, and conduct thousands of sample tests for bacteria every day.

## WAYS TO KEEP YOUR CHILD ENGAGED DURING MARCH BREAK

Literacy	Numeracy
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Let your kids read the mail: ads, brochures, sales, coupons, letters.</li> <li>• Subscribe to the newspaper. Share and discuss articles, cartoons and columns.</li> <li>• Bus, train, or plane trips are for reading too. Put a bag of books and comics on board.</li> <li>• Notice <i>life print</i> around you – ads, signs, menus – and point out examples of word play.</li> <li>• Kids love to collect things. Help them arrange and label each artefact they collect during their holiday.</li> <li>• Ask your kids to write out the shopping list, address an envelope or help make a calendar of weekly activities.</li> <li>• Sing songs with your kids. Share the lyrics.</li> <li>• Have kids check the internet to answer questions that arise.</li> <li>• Let kids plan for and read maps on an excursion.</li> <li>• Exercise everyone's mind doing crossword puzzles, word jumbles and word searches.</li> <li>• Write a letter, short story or a song together.</li> <li>• Question your child about the story you're reading together - What do you think happened next?</li> <li>• Read all the descriptions on exhibits and displays on outings to the zoo, museums or galleries.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In the car, estimate how many kilometres or how much time it will take to get to your destination, estimate how many cars you will see in 5 minutes, or how many licence plates it will take to see all the numbers from 0 to 100.</li> <li>• Play Tic-Tac-Total by drawing a tic tac toe board and having each player print the numbers 1 to 10 off to the side. Players take turns crossing out one of the numbers and writing it in the board. The player who makes 15 first wins.</li> <li>• Play Bizz Buzz as follows. Players generally sit in a circle. The player designated to go first says the number "1", and each player thenceforth counts one number in turn. However, any number <u>divisible</u> by three is replaced by the word <i>bizz</i> and any divisible by five by the word <i>buzz</i>. Numbers divisible by both become <i>bizz buzz</i>. You may change the numbers to counting by 2's and 10's or divisible by 6 and 2 etc., for variations. Players may either be eliminated if they make a mistake or you may play co-operatively.</li> <li>• Bake with your child. Have them work with you to halve or double a recipe.</li> <li>• Play card games and board games.</li> <li>• Build with blocks, found materials or a model kit.</li> </ul>
The Arts	Media and Library
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Search through your family's recycle bin for items to make an instrument. Join with your friends/family to create a band. Accompany your favourite songs.</li> <li>• Many of the local museums and art galleries provide March break camps. Check out these links to a few of them:  <a href="http://brocku.ca/rodman-hall/education/studios">http://brocku.ca/rodman-hall/education/studios</a>  <a href="http://niagarapumphouse.ca/youth_program.htm">http://niagarapumphouse.ca/youth_program.htm</a>  <a href="http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com/wo_agh_kids.php#2">http://www.artgalleryofhamilton.com/wo_agh_kids.php#2</a>            Grimsby Art Gallery is running two March Break Camps, one for 5 – 8 year olds and another for 8 – 12 year olds. Contact the gallery by emailing <a href="mailto:gpag@town.grimsby.on.ca">gpag@town.grimsby.on.ca</a> or call 905-945-3246</li> <li>• <i>Today's Parent</i> website has game ideas for a road trip at <a href="http://www.todayparent.com/craftsactivities/article.jsp?content=20080602_105740_5700&amp;page=1">http://www.todayparent.com/craftsactivities/article.jsp?content=20080602_105740_5700&amp;page=1</a></li> <li>• Texture Hunt. Arm yourself with pieces of scrap paper and crayons (with paper removed so you can use the 'belly' of the crayon). Place paper over various surfaces &amp; rub over the paper firmly with a crayon. Experiment with different colour combinations. When you've collected a variety of rubbings, use them to create a collage by tearing them into shapes and gluing them onto a large sheet of paper.</li> <li>• Use some recycled materials and your imagination to make puppets. Create a puppet show or write a story about your puppets. Check out this website for some ideas <a href="http://www.play-script-and-song.com/easy-to-make-puppets.html">http://www.play-script-and-song.com/easy-to-make-puppets.html</a></li> <li>• Play games and learn about art at <a href="http://cybermuse.gallery.ca/cybermuse/kids/index_e.jsp">http://cybermuse.gallery.ca/cybermuse/kids/index_e.jsp</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take a trip to your local public library. Find out about their March break programs for children.</li> <li>• Download an eBook from your school library. Go to <a href="http://destiny.dsbu.edu.on.ca">http://destiny.dsbu.edu.on.ca</a> and click on the link for your school. Students can login using their school username and password.</li> <li>• Enjoy a little Canadian film culture by accessing NFB's online film library <a href="http://www.nfb.ca">www.nfb.ca</a> and click on Explore.</li> <li>• Hear your favourite actor read a well-loved story at <a href="http://www.storylineonline.net">www.storylineonline.net</a></li> <li>• Have fun and learn at the same time with <a href="http://www.tvokids.com/games">www.tvokids.com/games</a> !</li> <li>• Read books in many different languages from the International Children's Digital Library at <a href="http://en.childrenslibrary.org/">http://en.childrenslibrary.org/</a></li> <li>• Find digitized photos and documents from local area museums at <a href="http://search.ourontario.ca/search">http://search.ourontario.ca/search</a> (Do some early exploration to prepare for the War of 1812 Bicentennial Celebrations!)</li> </ul>



# DSBN Road Race *Learners in Action* Entry Form



Please return entry form completed for each participant (along with a cheque payable to the Education Foundation of Niagara) to your school's DSBN Road Race coordinator or send the entry form and payment via courier / mail to:

Dara Goulet at the Education Foundation of Niagara, Education Centre, 191 Carlton St, St. Catharines, L2R 7P4

**Adults (20 and older): \$20      Students (under 20 years): \$10**

Family members can use one entry form with individual information completed.

**\*\*\*Entry forms must be received by Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2011 to receive a free t-shirt\*\*\***

### Participant Information

Runners who pre-register receive a free t-shirt. The following sizes are available:

**Child   S   M   L   XL                  Adult   S   M   L   XL**

First Name	Last Name	Age	Gender	Race 1 / 5 km	School	Shirt Size	Fee	
<b>1 km Fun Run: 10:00 am   5km Race: 10:30 am</b>							<b>Total</b>	\$

### Contact Information

Please provide your email or phone number in case we need to contact you: \_\_\_\_\_

Please confirm your registration information on the EFN website [www.efnonline.ca](http://www.efnonline.ca)

All participants must sign the following waiver. Students under 18 on race day must have a parent or guardian sign for them.

In consideration of your accepting my entry or the entry of my child, I hereby for myself and my child (if applicable) waive and release any and all rights and claims for loss or damage to my person or property I may have again the District School Board of Niagara or the Education Foundation of Niagara, or the sponsors, or any other involved in this event.

I hereby give consent to the inclusion of my name and age category on the DSBN Road Race website, and in the posting of the race standings.

By submitting this entry and signing below, I acknowledge having read, understood, and agreed to the above release waiver and consent for inclusion of my name and age category on the DSBN Road Race website. I agree that I, and my child (if applicable) are physically prepared to participate in this road race and will follow the rules that govern road racing.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant  
(signature of parent / guardian if participant is under age 18)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



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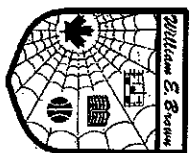
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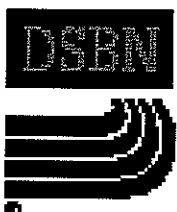
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Friday



# March 2011



	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4
	1	2	3	4
7	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
	8	9	10	11
	Cupcake Sale, 12:55	AM, Grade 8 & Sr. K. graduation photos Hot Lunch 12:55	Skating: gr4-8 9:30-10:30 JK-3 11:30-12:30	11:30 Sue Kanyo Memorial dedication assembly
14	15	16	17	18
<b>Spring Break March 12 - 20</b>				
21	Day 10	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
	22	23	24	25
		Kdgn "B", gr 1 / 2 & 2 to Agape Valley Sugar Bush	Kdgn "A", & gr 3 to Agape Valley Sugar Bush	Day 4
28	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8
	29	30	31	
		Historica Open House, 4:00 - 6:00		