

FAMILY DAY - FEB 16



Calendar of Events

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Parkview's Calendar of Events are changing often. Please check our [Parkview Calendar Website](#) for the most up to date calendar events.

FEBRUARY: Black History Month

- Feb 4: Winter Carnaval (Gr. 4-8)
- Feb 5: National Sweater Day
- Feb 10: Jersey/Toonie Tuesday
- Feb 16: Family Day
- Feb 20: Term 1 Report Cards go home
- Feb 25: Pink Shirt Day
- Feb 27: PJs Spirit Day



MARCH

- Mar 16-20: MARCH BREAK
- Mar 13: Beach Spirit Day + Dance
- Mar 20: World Down Syndrome Day
- Mar 27: Matching Spirit Day



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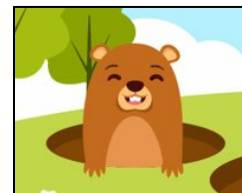
Superintendent: B. Neilson
Principal: M. Curran
Vice-Principal: G. Garbacz

 **Thames Valley**
District School Board

PLEASE NOTE: If buses are cancelled because of inclement weather hot lunches will also be cancelled. A credit will be applied to your account in the event of a cancellation.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we enter February, we hope to see warmer weather ahead—and we are certainly hoping the groundhog predicts an early spring! Although January has been very cold, we have continued to do our best to get outside as much as possible. Please continue to ensure your child is dressed appropriately for the weather, and consider sending extra mitts and socks in their bag.



In February, **Term 1 report cards** will be sent home on **February 20th**. These reports capture the learning that has taken place over the first five months of the school year. It is important to look beyond the grades and focus on the comments, next steps, and learning skills. If you have any questions, please reach out to your child's teacher for more information.



The snowbanks along the sides of the roads are becoming quite high. Please ensure that if you are driving, you are especially mindful of walking students. If your child walks to school, please encourage them to cross at designated locations and remain aware of traffic.



We appreciate all of the support we have received on bus cancellation days. These days are running much more smoothly and require patience from everyone. Regular attendance continues to be important, as each day of learning builds on the next. Thank you for supporting your child in arriving on time and ready to learn whenever possible.

As always, thank you for your continued support and cooperation. We value the partnership between home and school and appreciate the patience, understanding, and care shown by our families during the winter months.



Family Day is Monday, February 16. We hope you enjoy a lovely long weekend with your family.

Ms. Curran

Parkview Principal

FEB 10 - TOONIE TUESDAY JERSEY DAY!

On Tuesday, February 10 - TOONIE TUESDAY - students are encouraged to wear jerseys and bring a toonie to help with the Thames Valley Caring Fund which supports students with financial needs.

Funds go to The Caring Fund
to support students with
emergency financial needs.



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PARKVIEW MONTHLY Character TRAITS

Each month, Parkview students focus on building and improving specific character traits to help Parkview be an even better place to learn!

At the end of each month, each classroom will celebrate up to 2 students who exemplify the character trait of the month with a certificate, a prize, and a photo op with Ms Curran or Mr. Garbacz!

December's Character Trait was **Compassion** and here are our monthly winners!



And January's Character Trait was **Teamwork**. Here are our monthly winners!



NEXT MONTH'S
CHARACTER TRAIT

Citizenship

CARNAVAL - FEB 5

On Wednesday, February 4, grades 4 to 8 will be participating in a French Winter Carnival at Parkview. The Parkview Carnival will commence at 11:30 a.m. and continue until 3:10 p.m. Students will be inside & outside throughout the day. Grades 4 to 6 students will be participating on teams in various winter activities (hot chocolate & cookies included). Thank you to the Hoogenboom family for donating the hot chocolate! Thank you also to the Home & School who provided the cookies. Grade 7 students will be team captains and Grade 8 students will be running the activity stations.



Students should dress in appropriate winter attire (snow pants, mitts/gloves, hat) since they will be outside for a good portion of the day.

Merci et Joyeux Carnaval!

P. Moorhouse & C. Mitchell

BOYS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the Intermediate Boys Basketball team on a great season! This hardworking group of grade 7 & 8 boys demonstrated determination and heart throughout the entire season. We are so proud of how you supported each other and how well you represented Parkview! Special thanks goes out to our volunteer referees, scorekeepers and of course the families and supporters who all helped make our season possible.

Coaches Garbacz, Lumsden and Huff



FEB 5 - NATIONAL SWEATER DAY

Powered by the Planet — Warmed by a Sweater: National Sweater Day is

Thursday, February 5, 2026 for Parkview.

Founded by WWF-Canada in 2010, this special day encourages Canadians to turn **DOWN** the heat by one or two degrees and put on a cozy sweater to help raise awareness about climate change and energy conservation. Each year, more than **one million Canadians** take part.

Join Parkview and our Green Team by wearing your favourite sweater on Thursday, February 5 and showing your support for a healthier planet — at school, at work, or at home. Every sweater makes a difference!



FEB 2-9 - CANDY GRAMS FUNDRAISER

Candy Grams will be available to purchase from **Feb 2nd to 9th**. Forms will be sent home with students who wish to purchase. They are \$1.00/each and will be sold by our grade 8 students as a fundraiser for our year end trip. Money and forms will be collected by grade 8 students each morning and ALL candy grams will be delivered and sent home with students on February 13th.

Thank you in advance for your support!



SAVE THE DATES

APRIL 14: SOCIAL EMOTIONAL SKILLS WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS

Parkview welcomes [Brave Education](https://braveeducation.com) who will conduct classroom sessions with students and a follow up workshop for parents on April 14. More information is coming soon!



APRIL 29: FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT (JK-Gr. 3)

We welcome [Investing in Children](https://investinginchildren.com) back to Parkview for another fabulous Family Literacy Night. This time, we will **Explore the World of Eric Carle**. This program will be for families of K-3 students and is an interactive evening filled with fun centres.



We hope everyone had a great start to the winter season. To begin, we wanted to send a HUGE thank you to everyone who supported our Holiday Shopping Spree—from the many hours the committee put in, to the parent volunteers, teachers, custodians/staff, and the children who participated. We feel like it was a huge success, and we hope you and your children think so as well. Seeing the excitement of the kids purchasing for their family and friends is an amazing experience, and I can only imagine all the joy and laughter some of the gifts would have caused.

Ongoing Fundraisers

Our ongoing fundraisers are still going strong, and we appreciate your continued support! If you haven't already labeled your children's winter items, sweaters, and accessories, it's not too late! **Mabel's Labels** is easy to use and fantastic to have on hand. All funds raised through Mabel's Labels will directly support our outdoor education program. While purchasing, just click "support a fundraiser," type in "Parkview Home and School Association," and you're all set!

We've had some new people join our **FlipGive** team—thank you! This is a great way to support our music program through everyday purchases! Download the app, join our team with code **7ZDXG4**, and purchase gift cards for stores you already shop at. They are held safely in your online wallet for you to use. No extra costs—just your regular purchases.

Meetings

At our last meeting, we were able to support the school in many meaningful ways. We are so lucky to have staff who plan for the future and truly want the best for our children. They thoughtfully put proposals forward where, as a committee, we can discuss and see what we can do to support or approve them. At the last meeting, we were able to support, through staff requests, partial funding for an Investing in Children's Night, French Carnival, and enhancements to extracurricular programs such as photo club and music. We also approved resources for outdoor education, committed funding to reduce the cost of year-end field trips for families, and discussed expanding book study options, with follow-up details to come. If you would like to be involved in proposals and/or decisions, feel free to join us at one of our next meetings!

Our next meeting will be held on **March 2nd** in the Parkview Library. All are welcome to meet for Parent Council starting at **5:30**, and Home and School directly after at approximately **6:30**. If you need child care, let us know, and we'll do our best to accommodate.

Future meeting dates are: **March 2nd, May 4th**

Thank you again for your continued support! If you are interested in additional information and updates/reminders on school activities, programs, bus cancellations, or snow days, our Instagram page is a great place to get it all! Just search and follow [#Parkviewpanthershsa](https://www.instagram.com/Parkviewpanthershsa), and you'll be all set!

Enjoy the snow,

Camille Pallin Cartwright

Chair, Parent School Council 2025-2026

President, Parkview Home and School Association 2025-2026

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And just like that, we are well into the new year. A big thank you to everyone for your support, especially to our wonderful volunteers!

In addition to our regular Monday offerings with Domino's and WokBox, through LunchBox Online, we are excited to try **Posh Cheeseboard Co** as our Special Thursday Lunch on **February 26th**. (Please order by Sunday, Feb 22 midnight on [SchoolCash Online](#)). Lunch options (\$9.99) include a Kids Charcuterie Box (kolbasa, pepperettes, cheese, crackers, sweet treat, fruit and veggies) or a Sandwich Box (turkey or ham and cheese on a 1/2 croissant with fruit and Veggie (Gluten or dairy free, halal, and vegetarian options are also available). **Please note**, Posh will be on the **Second Nutrition Break**, so please ensure that your child has something to eat for the first break).



Kids Charcuterie Box



Sandwich Box



Booster Juice on [School Cash Online](#) is now available for purchase for the rest of the year. The order deadline (always the week before) can sneak up on you, so place your orders early to avoid disappointment. Please note the **make up** day for January's is on February 4th at the second **nutrition** break. February's Booster Juice order deadline is Feb 19th midnight for the **Feb 27th** Booster Juice.



February includes a holiday Monday, so **Subway** will be offered on Tuesday Feb 17th. Be sure to look at the February calendar through Lunch Box for ordering options.

Interested in Volunteering?

We could use a few more volunteers to fill a few spaces and as back up. If you are interested in volunteering for or a Monday lunch, Booster Juice Friday, or Thursday Special lunch, please reach out to one of our Hot Lunch coordinators: Shaye shayecoughlin98@gmail.com or Anne at amvangilst@gmail.com



COMMUNICATION CORNER - Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Services

We all know that parents, caregivers or other family members are a child's first teachers. The beginnings of many important social skills happen long before a child starts school and there are many more social skills that develop throughout the school years. Parents can encourage the development and improvement of social skills during daily events. The following list of skills is related to friendship. Think about your child and choose some skills to practise during the month of February:

- Introducing oneself
- Beginning/joining/ending a conversation
- Playing a game; understanding and following the rules
- Including others in games and activities
- Being a good sport; learning how to lose
- Asking for help or a favour
- Helping a classmate
- Giving and receiving compliments
- Sharing, taking turns, saying sorry
- Being polite (please, thank you)
- Using good manners
- Learning how to disagree appropriately
- Expressing hurt and disappointment



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Babysitting Course!

WHEN: Saturday, February 28, 2026.
WHERE: Trinity Place, 570 Gainsborough Rd,
London.
TIME: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
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10am- 4pm



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HOT CHOCOLATE TASTING & TRIVIA

Sip, slurp, and show off your
smarts! Join us for a cozy Hot
Chocolate Tasting & Trivia
Night—where the cocoa is rich
and the questions are ridiculous.

Wed, Feb 18
at 6:30pm

*Registration required. Register online or
contact the Komoka Library.*

*This is a FREE Super Fun Happy Hour event for
youth grades 5-8*



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Teen Writers' Meetup

Drop-in and write with Jess: plot, write, and share!

Select Tuesdays
from 6:30-7:30PM

Jan 27 | Feb 24 | March 24

All supplies provided.



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Build connection through conversation

Talking often with your child helps to strengthen your relationship and makes hard topics easier to talk about.

Ideas to show your child that you are someone they can talk to:

- Be curious about what is going on in their life. Try starting with:
 - *Tell me about something you found funny today.*
 - *What is something you're looking forward to?*
- Admit when you don't know the answer to a tricky question, find a trustworthy place to learn together
- Keep conversations open and have a supportive attitude
 - *Tell me more about that*
 - *I am here to talk whenever you need*

Listening is a powerful tool!

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