

**WINTER OF DISCOVERY | JAN. 14-15**

Bring your family and friends to the Discovery Centre to explore the wonders of STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, & math). Test your engineering skills with bridges, rockets, and rolling contraptions, puzzle over illusions, and celebrate science from Anatomy to Zoology. More information [HERE](#)

**DARTMOUTH ICE FESTIVAL****JAN. 26-28**

The Downtown Dartmouth Ice Festival is a magical event where talented sculptors turn blocks of ice into incredible artworks. Come stroll through the streets, and be amazed by the icy creations. Enjoy live music, tasty snacks, and a friendly vibe at this fun-filled celebration that brings a special winter charm to Downtown Dartmouth. More info [HERE](#)

**NOVA SCOTIA SPOTLIGHT:  
CAPE SMOKEY**

Winter at Cape Smokey offers a unique blend of outdoor adventures and cozy getaways. With its stunning vistas overlooking the Atlantic Ocean, the slopes come alive for skiers, snowboarders, and tubers alike. The snow-covered landscape beckons hikers and snowshoers, while the lodge invites visitors to warm up by the fire with some hot cocoa after a day of fun. Cape Smokey is the perfect long-weekend destination for both thrill-seekers and relaxation seekers. More info [HERE](#)

**STUDENT SPOTLIGHT:  
MICHIE**

**Hometown:** Nagoya, Japan

**Favourite thing about Halifax:** The Halifax Central Library

**Favourite Hobby:** Going to Uncommon Grounds for coffee

**Hidden Talent:** I make beautiful flower arrangements

**English Learning Tip:** Practice speaking with your classmates

**Current Obsession:** Making different types of overnight oats for breakfast!



## Karaoke Night

Students, staff and friends had a blast in their private room at Red Karaoke! We spent the evening showcasing our vocal skills, jamming together, and hyping each other up. The room was buzzing with good music and high spirits.



## Gingerbread House Competition

Our GEP students dove headfirst into the holiday gingerbread competition, unleashing their inner architects and artists. Armed with frosting and candy, they transformed simple gingerbread into edible masterpieces. Laughter filled the air as they let their imaginations run wild, turning the competition into a festive celebration of creativity and fun.

## Evergreen Festival

A group of us enjoyed an afternoon at the Evergreen Holiday Market on the waterfront. The stalls were brimming with unique crafts, homemade goodies, and tantalizing samples. While the kids reveled in the games, the adults delighted in browsing the charming gifts and indulging in the festive spirit all around.



## Parker Street Food & Furniture Bank

We were all filled with a sense of fulfillment and warmth as we left Parker Street Food & Furniture Bank. Students and staff sorted food, organized clothes, and set up furniture for this incredible organization, which helped make the holidays brighter for many folks in our community.