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Elmdale Public School's annual BookFest is back and better than ever!

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BookFest is one of Ottawa's largest annual book sales, eagerly anticipated each year by book lovers and bargain hunters alike. With tens of thousands of second-hand books in all genres and styles available at very affordable prices, this event is for everyone.

This year, BookFest will be open to the public on Friday, February 7, from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM and on Saturday, February 8, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in the gymnasium of Elmdale Public School at 49 Iona St, Ottawa, ON. Books will range from the low price of \$1 to \$3 and feature newer releases along with well-loved classics. While the focus is on books, the sale will also include other items such as video games, board games, puzzles and DVDs, as well as a bake sale.

If finding the perfect book while eating a delicious baked treat isn't enough to entice you to visit BookFest, it is also Elmdale Public School's most critical annual fundraiser, helping to raise money for extra-curricular activities, clubs, learning opportunities and equipment. It also allows us to give back to the greater community through various initiatives. Last year, BookFest raised over \$26,000.

Quotes

"BookFest is a real community event. It is organized and run by parent volunteers and stocked with donations from our school's families. During the event, we love seeing Elmdale families, neighbours and friends come out to support the school and we'd love for people from all over Ottawa to come visit us. If you're a book lover, it's a shopping event not to be missed!"

Danica Rogers Co-chair, Elmdale Public School Council

"As an avid reader and an educator, I love BookFest. Seeing the children at the school excited to bring in books for donation, make bookmarks and set the school up for the sale, and then find their next great read at the event warms my heart. Not only does this event provide us the opportunity to support and nurture our students' love for reading, it



also helps us raise money to fund other activities that enrich their learning throughout the school year."

Nadine Saikaley Principal of Elmdale Public School

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