



January 7, 2021

Dear Bronte Community,

We hope everyone enjoyed a safe and festive winter break, and are well rested and ready for the last month of the first semester.

### WHAT'S HAPPENING ON CAMPUS

The students celebrated Christmas and New Year's Day with a delicious dinner in our cafeteria.

**A warm welcome to the first new students to arrive on campus this past week!** We are happy to have you here with us on campus, and remind you to reach out to staff if there is anything you need during quarantine.

**We also want to thank our staff for their work in assisting and settling in our new students.**

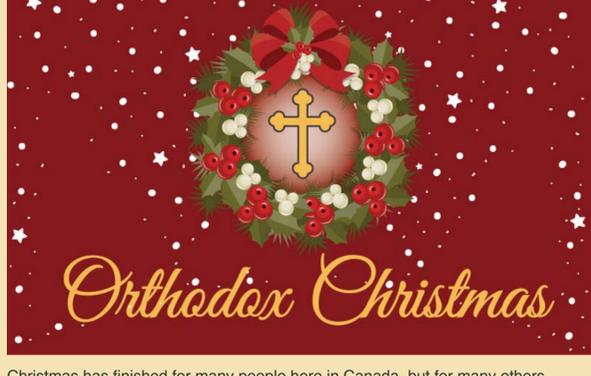
Hear what our families have to say:

*"As Petar and Karlo are attending their first classes from their Bronte College rooms, we just wanted to thank all of you for the help, support and many quick responses to our questions and concerns during this last year. We are very impressed with the smooth process and preparation that went into the move to Bronte College and are looking forward to Petar and Karlo's stay at school."*

Christmas Dinner (Below)



New's Year Dinner (Below)



### Orthodox Christmas

Christmas has finished for many people here in Canada, but for many others, Christmas is celebrated in January. Many Orthodox Christians around the world celebrate Christmas Day on January 7. This is because their churches use a different calendar.

In 45 BC, Julius Caesar of Rome created the Julian calendar. On this calendar, Christmas falls 13 days after December 25. Orthodox Christians use this calendar today for religious holidays. The holiday is celebrated with many of the same symbols used for December 25; such as Christmas trees, wreaths and gifts. We wish our students and families celebrating Orthodox Christmas a very happy holiday. Don't forget to celebrate with us in the Cafeteria on this Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> January for dinner. Recipes contributed by our Food Committee.

### RESIDENCE ACTIVITIES

Check out photos from last week's residence events!

(Christmas photo booth and gingerbread decorating)

Students on campus can look forward to fun creative arts activities this week and a scavenger hunt this weekend!



### GUIDANCE NEWS

**Friday, January 15th** is the last date to make changes or add programs to your university application on OUAC and still be considered for the Equal Consideration deadline. Please contact a guidance counsellor as soon as possible if you want to make any adjustments to your OUAC application.

### COVID-19 UPDATES

Please be advised that **effective January 7, 2021, at 12:01 a.m. EST**, all air passengers five years of age or older will be required to test negative for COVID-19 before traveling from another country to Canada. The test must be performed using a COVID-19 molecular polymerase chain reaction (or PCR) test and must be taken **within 72 hours** prior to the traveler's scheduled departure to Canada. [Please click here for more information.](#)

Friendly reminder to continue following the COVID-19 safety protocols in place to ensure the health and safety of our community. Wear face masks in public spaces, sanitize your hands frequently and social and physical distance from others. We are happy to report Bronte College has had **zero** cases of COVID-19 and **zero** suspected cases on campus.

[Click here for more information about COVID-19 in Ontario](#)

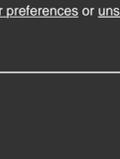
### DATES TO REMEMBER IN JANUARY

- 7 | Orthodox Christmas
- 15 | Equal Consideration Deadline for OUAC
- 22 | Absolute Final Deadline for Culminating Activities
- 25 | Culminating Activity Take-Up Day

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