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Mathematical Mindsets

An excerpt from Jo Boaler's, (2016) Mathematical Mindsets: What is math? Math is not about right or wrong - that is part of the change we need to see in math - the acknowledgement of the creative and interpretive nature of mathematics. Mathematics is a very broad and multidimensional subject that requires reasoning, creativity, connection making and interpretation of methods. Mathematics is a cultural phenomenon; a set of ideas, connections, and relationships that we can use to make sense of our world. At its core, math is about patterns. It is through our understanding of patterns, developed through math study, that new and powerful knowledge is created. Please take a look at the articles attached to the newsletter email and enjoy thinking and exploring mathematically with your children.

Lost and Found

Thank you to parent volunteers Jody Parekh and Sheila Philcox, who graciously took the time to organize the lost and found items in front of the office. Please come by and see if you recognize any clothes or other objects that have gone missing over the past couple of months.

Calling All Artists!

We are looking for parents and family members to help us with the completion of our mural paintings that began last year. On Tuesday, March 8th, between 4 and 8 pm, East York Alternative S.S. teachers will be leading an evening of painting and collaboration. If you are interested in participating in this event, please contact Mr. Budd. Thank you for your continued partnership!

Math Challenge of the Week

Congratulations to **Keiran Gration** (in Room 12) who won this week's Math Challenge! Our next challenge is ...

Keiran had 2,080 Legos, but he lost 47 of them. Waverly came along and gave him 13 to add to his collection. How many Legos does he have now?