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## Newsletter - June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2016

### Principal and Vice-Principal's Message

As this will be the last newsletter of our school year, we would like to thank all of our parents and community members for your help and support over this past school year. We've had a great year at Earl Beatty! Next year we will be looking at new ways to involve our parents and community as well as maintaining a strong focus on the programs and initiatives started this year. We do hope you all have a great vacation. Have fun, keep happy and healthy, and we look forward to seeing our students and parents again in the fall.

### Tips to Encourage Summer Learning

Studies indicate that continuous learning over the summer months assists students in getting a better start for the next school year. Here are some tips to keep learning alive all summer while still letting children enjoy some free time:

#### **Math:**

- Institute an allowance to help children with their math. Let them keep track of how much they receive each week, how much they save and how much they spend. Open a bank account so they can watch their savings grow.

- Hold a yard sale or set up a lemonade stand. Let children set the prices and make change.
- Teach children how to compute gas mileage on a car trip.
- Purchase logic puzzle or crossword puzzle books.
- Buy jigsaw puzzles and complete them with your child. Older children can work on more challenging ones.
- If you have sports fans in your house, encourage them to collect information on player statistics and read about game results in the paper each day.
- Take advantage of car vacations to teach children about maps, directions and distances. Take a map along, and have your child plot a course for the trip and follow along in the car as you go.

### **Social Studies:**

- If you'll be visiting another city while on vacation, pick up brochures about the city and learn about the history and culture of different places. Visit historical sites along the way and stop at museums and galleries that display the area's culture.
- Find opportunities to visit local zoos, science centers, museums and art galleries.

### **Writing:**

- To keep writing skills current, buy a notebook and have children record daily activities and thoughts during their vacation. Ask them to reflect on specific events that happened during the day.
- Encourage children to write or email grandparents, relatives and pen pals weekly.

### **Reading:**

- Find out if your neighbourhood library offers summer programs. Visit once a week to sign out new books.
- As a family, pick a topic to follow for a few days. Learn as much as you can about the topic through television, internet, newspapers, and magazines.

- Assign children the task of writing a grocery list each week and take them with you to the grocery store. Make them find the items on the list by reading the signs in the aisles and the labels on products.
- Set aside 20 minutes every day for family reading (including parents).
- For younger children, practice the sounds of language by reading rhyming books. Teach your children rhymes, short poems and songs.
- When walking around the neighbourhood, have children read signs and notices.
- Re-read familiar books. Children need practice in reading comfortably and with expression using books they know.
- Order a monthly magazine or pick current ones up at the library.

### **Sun Safe Behaviour**

Getting students outside and active is good for their health but too much sun can have serious side-effects, including burns, eye damage, premature aging of the skin and skin cancer. We encourage all students to practice "sun safety."

*What exactly does sun safe behaviour look like?*

- Cover up: Even on days with a moderate UV index students should wear a hat and sunglasses, especially if they'll be outside for over 30 minutes.
- Stay cool: Students should stay in shady areas, particularly at midday when the sun is strongest.
- Use sunscreen: Choose sunscreens with SPF 15 or higher that include protection from both UVA and UVB rays.

### **Arts in the Parks: Free Arts Events in a Toronto Park Near You**

Toronto has become an international summer hotspot as our city buzzes with energy and culture during those blissful summer days and nights. This summer, Toronto will be coming alive as never before with an exciting new initiative called, *Arts in the Parks*. Think music, theatre and dance ... think film, arts installations and performance. Everywhere throughout the city from Etobicoke to Scarborough and North York to the downtown core. All of it completely family-friendly and

free! Events include vaudevillian-style theatre in Panorama Park, an outdoor street dance event in Alexander Muir Memorial Gardens, an ongoing concert series featuring different musicians every Wednesday in Earl Bales Park and more. It's the biggest, most inclusive arts initiative that Toronto has ever seen. Visit [www.artsintheparksTO.org](http://www.artsintheparksTO.org) for full events listings, dates and details.

### **Indigo - Adopt-a-School Program**

We are happy to announce that Earl Beatty has been selected by Coles Eglinton Square for the Indigo love of reading adopt-a-school program. We will be in partnership during the 2016/2017 school year to raise money for our Library.

For three weeks in the fall, the adopt-a-school program will unite the Coles employees, customers and our community in raising money to rejuvenate our library. Look for more information in September to see how you can help. In the meantime, feel free to thank Coles at Eglinton Square for selecting our school, if you are in the neighborhood.



### **Real Food for Real Kids**

We are happy to announce that Real Food for Real Kids is coming back to Earl Beatty Jr and Sr P.S.. The Real Food Lunch Club will be returning on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays for the 2016/17 school year. Stay tuned for more information at [rfrk.com](http://rfrk.com) on how to register in mid-August. Keep in touch over the summer through RFRK's Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages.

## Playday at Earl Beatty

Thank you to Mr. Drew and his class for organizing and leading both the Kindergarten and Grades 1 to 8 Playday. Everyone enjoyed the numerous activities planned, including sponge water races, mural painting, and hula hoop tag. The leadership demonstrated by our Grade 4 and 5 students was fantastic - staff and students were very impressed by their focus and enthusiasm. Well done!



## Mr. Clarke's Grade 6 Class - Supporting Canadian-based Charities

The students in Room 30 worked on supporting the efforts of Canadian-based charities that service causes abroad. They picked several charities and did research on each of their charities to find one they actually believe in and wanted to educate the community about. Some of their choices included Shelterbox, the Canadian Red Cross, Operation Smile, Action Against Hunger, the Sick Kids Foundation Doctors Abroad program, and Fisher House. As their culminating task, they created and participated in an self-directed fundraiser for their charity of choice. The fundraisers included activities such as: an evening movie night, a video game competition, cupcake decorating, an arts and crafts and garage sale, as well as several other events. The dedication and planning that went into these events was outstanding - thank you to Mr. Clarke for facilitating and guiding the students through this process, as well as the students, who demonstrated the ability to be agents of change, and make a significantly positive impact for those in need.



## Principal for a Day - Maddy K.!

As a reward for winning the staff baby photo contest, Maddy had the opportunity to be Principal for a Day! She enjoyed the role, and did an exceptional job at recess, making sure students were safe and being inclusive. Great job Maddy!



## Volunteer Tea

Our many volunteers make Earl Beatty a wonderful place to work. Thanks to Ms. Gerencser for organizing the event. It was very well attended and served as a fantastic opportunity for staff to say thank you to the many parents and community members who play an integral role in the incredible array of activities that take place here at the school. Thank you!



## Grade 8 Graduation

Though we are sad to see them go, we are so happy that our Grade 8's are taking with them the skills and values that make the Earl Beatty community such an amazing place to be. Thank you to Ms. Swire, Ms. Harrison, Ms. Ristic, and Ms. Harris in organizing a fantastic graduation ceremony. Ms. Poulis and Mr. Budd were very proud and impressed with the depth of character demonstrated by students throughout the presentation, as well as the incredible support the students received from all the families that attended. To our Grade 8 graduates, have a wonderful summer and best wishes on a great start to your secondary school experience.

## September 2016/17 Staffing Model

Below is the Earl Beatty Staffing Model, planned for September 2016 (as of June 24<sup>th</sup>). We would like to wish those staff leaving Earl Beatty all the best and thank them for their dedication to the students and community. We would also like to welcoming incoming teachers and staff to Earl Beatty - we look forward to working with you in this outstanding community.

### Earl Beatty Staffing Model - September 2016

<b>Position</b>	<b>Staff</b>	<b>Room</b>
Principal	Poulis, Anastasia	Office
Vice-Principal	Budd, David	Office
Office Admin	Bell-Cavanaugh, Sherry	Office
Secretary	Argyropoulos, Claire	Office
Guidance	Lambers, Tracie	32
Head Caretaker	Moulton, Greg	46
Afternoon Caretaker	Brothers, Blair	46
Evening Caretaker	Maher, Pat	46
JK/SK A	David, Gayle	3 /4
ECE	LTO ECE	3/4
JK/SK B	Shipton, Andy	9
ECE	Usman, Salma	9
JK/SK C	Melino, Stacy	5
ECE	Hughes, Melina	5
SK FI A	Morcos, Nancy	16
FI-ECE	Ramyed, Sunita	16
SK FI B	Reynolds, Caitlin	2
FI-ECE	Viens, Samantha	2

Gr. 1/2 A	Dafoe, Kim	21
Gr. 1 A FI	Deda, Ariana	18
Gr. 1/2 B	Brown, Martha	15
Gr. 1 B FI	Marois, Lily	19
Gr. 2/3 A	Reyes, B.J.	17
Gr. 2/3 B	Gerencser, Irma	11
Gr. 2 A FI	TBD	13
Gr. 2 B FI	TBD	12
Gr. 4/5 A	Briggs, Rob	28
Gr.3/4 A	Drew, Sean	29
Gr. 4 A FI	Chau-Wolpert, Eva	22
Gr. 5/6 A	Rumball, Marc	31
Gr. 3/4 A FI	Loubier, Christine	30
Gr. 3 A FI	Themelis, Halana	14
Gr. 7/8 B	Clarke, Bob	25
Gr. 7/8 A	Swire, Stacy	24
HSP Int / Resource / MART	Harris, Erin	23
HSP Jr. AM	Sawh, Nutan	32
EA	Happy, Goldie	32 AM/23 PM
French	Ristic, Kimberley	27
Phys. Ed/Dance	Nore, Gordon	32/Gym
Music	Donovan, Beth	8
Drama & Dance	Duiker, Rosemary	26
Library	Cornell, Charlotte	7
Art	Cornell, Charlotte	26
Pool Instructor	Carroll, Neil	Pool
Pool Instructor	Mathe, Julian	Pool
Itinerant ESL	Wyles, Nydia	32
Itinerant Band	Bone, Dan	35
Lunchroom Supervisor	Mattar-Hurlbut, Eric	Jr./Int.
Lunchroom Supervisor	Syed, Sumia	Jr./Int.
Lunchroom Supervisor	Dunn, Jeanetta	Primary
Lunchroom Supervisor	Ahmed, Abida	Primary
Lunchroom Supervisor	Nikolopoulos, Julia	2
Lunchroom Supervisor	Basquinas, Amy	3/4
Lunchroom Supervisor	Antunes, Andrea	9/10
Lunchroom Supervisor	Capano, Frances (Franca)	16



## App/Site of the Week - [The Khan Academy](#)

The Khan Academy is a not-for-profit, open source learning website that aims to “change education for the better by providing a free world-class education for anyone anywhere”. It succeeds, too, and the “anywhere” bit can certainly be put down to its complimentary mobile app. Offering more than 4,000 video lessons on everything from Maths and Science to Humanities and Economics, it’s a hugely valuable tool for both teachers and students. In fact, you don’t need to be either to benefit - anyone can brush up (including parents!).