

Please join us! Forest Valley Outdoor Education Centre's Annual Maple Syrup Open House!

Saturday March 24th, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Hike the trails, visit the sugar shack and taste maple goodness! Pancakes will be available for purchase until 1:30 p.m. (or until supplies run out) 2 pancakes, a drink and maple syrup - \$5 Exact change only

60 Blue Forest Drive, Toronto 416.395.5110 Please bring a non-perishable food donation for our food drive canoe

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The Valley Voice



Forest Valley Outdoor Education Centre's Newsletter

Fall 2017

Forest Valley Outdoor Education Centre is one of ten Outdoor Education Centres in the Toronto District School Board. Collectively, our goal is to deliver curriculum based programs which connect students to the natural world. During the 2016-2017 school year we welcomed over 18,800 TDSB students from 898 classes. This wouldn't have been possible without over and 1,000 TDSB staff who worked with us to plan visits and more than 1,600 volunteers who attended with visiting classes. Forest Valley also celebrated our 50th anniversary, which has been marked by a community created mural now hanging in our Thruway.



Are you *tweeting* about your adventure at Forest Valley OEC?

Don't forget to tag us @forestvalleyoec Consider also adding the following hashtags:: #oememories #toes tdsb

What did you do as a follow up to your visit with us?

We want to know!

Please share your post-trip follow up activities with us so we can highlight great things classes do after their outdoor education experience. This could include art, stories, poems, recounts...etc. We may use your submission in a future Valley Voice, on display at Forest Valley or as a resource for visiting teachers.

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The Forest Valley Outdoor Education Centre

Magnet Contest is Back!

Congratulations to our 2017 Magnet Contest Winner! Bikram, from Blacksmith PS, had the winning design. His submission has been printed on magnets and shared with all of our Volunteers.

TDSB students are invited to submit an original hand drawn picture which represents their experience at Forest Valley. One winning design will be chosen. Entries will be on display at Forest Valley OEC during our Annual Maple Syrup Open House. Selected submissions will be highlighted in our Valley Voice Newsletter.

For Contest Details, please visit our website: <u>http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/forestvalley/</u>

Forest Valley OEC is a Platinum EcoCentre!

EcoSchools asks us all to examine the decisions we make in our school, inside and out— from modifying practices in our classrooms to designing the school ground as a place for healthy, enriched learning.

Our Forest Valley team continues to show

leadership in teaching students, teachers and families about our connection with nature and the impact of decisions we make.



For more information about EcoSchools, please visit:

www.tdsb.on.ca/ecoschools/home/aboutus.aspx



Grade 8 students focus on refining their communication skills while on our low ropes challenge course.