



# HILLTOP M. S. JUNE NEWSLETTER



## Principal's Message



Dear Parents: As we bid farewell to the month of May, we welcome the warm, sticky days of June. We are being kept busy with Track and other sporting events, Grade 8 graduation ceremonies, grade 6 and 7 recognition assemblies and transition events to help welcome our incoming new students. Thank you to all teachers and parent volunteers that make these events possible.

In addition, the members of our School Council will be helping with the Gr. 8 BBQ later this month, as well as pre-planning events for the Fall. Many thanks to our School Council - through their generous time and efforts, they have set funds aside to replenish our school sporting uniforms! More information regarding School Council events will be coming June/September.

**Dress Code:** The warmer weather is upon us, which means, summer attire. We ask all parents and students to please review Page 5 of the agenda, regarding appropriate attire for school. Students may wear shorts and short-sleeved tops. However, the shorts should be of an appropriate length.



## Student of the Month Assemblies:

Congratulations to the past winners of the Student of the Month Assemblies:

**Gr. 6:** Jaden L., Mohamed J., Stephanie N., Lida S., Mark B., Kayreese Baumgart., Syed H., Dejazanee W., Farouk A., Daniel D., Richard ., Parsa M., Abeer K., Meher B., Noah A., and Matias G.

**Gr. 7:** Manreet A., Aliyah Z., Alaysha P., Alisa P., Joshua D., Adele V., Ahmed J., Iqra S., Kristian T., Francesca B., Jared U., Delfin G., and Jaden D.

**Gr. 8:** Esra C., Nahibullah L., Ja'Leah D., Soriyah D., David N., Seth J., Ferhan D., Rahma J., Sheilan K., Shamhat M., Brandie R., and Yamini M.



## Our Gr. 7 Science Team Members are Winners!

Congratulations to Ms. Mall and the members of the Gr. 7 Science Team. They came in First place in the WR4 competition, held at Kipling CI. Well done!



## Ultimate Frisbee Team advances to West Conference Finals:

Best wishes to our Gr. 6 Ultimate Frisbee Team as they play their Semi Final Game on Friday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Centennial Park. If they are able to win, they will play the final game later that same day.

## ESL Students get Published!



Congratulations to Paula Mae R., Jeremy E., and Berat E., whose writing has been selected for publication in this year's *Canadian Vistas!*

*Canadian Vistas* is a student anthology filled with the writing and art of ESL/ELD students across Toronto District School Board.

These students' writing will be celebrated at the *Canadian Vistas* launch on June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016. They will receive their own copies of the book, and as well, copies of the publication will be given to Hilltop MS. Congratulations Paula Mare, Jeremy and Berat!



## Do You Have A Child Going Into Grade 3? Universal Screening Process for Grade 3 Students

Effective September 2016, the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) will be introducing a universal screening process for all grade 3 students across the TDSB. The purpose of this universal screening test is to:

- Provide information to classroom teachers about the strengths and learning needs of each student in order to better support teachers in programming for students;
- Help teachers to know when to bring a student forward to In School Team (IST) or School Support Team (SST) for programming suggestions;
- Improve equity of access for all students to differentiated programming including the potential identification of students with a gifted exceptionality.

More information will also be provided to parents in the Fall or visit <http://www.tdsb.on.ca/specialeducation>.

## Kick-start Your Child's Education Savings



The TDSB has partnered with SmartSAVER to launch a board-wide campaign to help families access free money for their children's future education.

What FREE money? It's the Canada Learning Bond, available now through [www.tdsb.on.ca/SmartSAVER](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/SmartSAVER). This is a Government of Canada contribution to a child's Registered Education Savings Plan. It provides up to \$2,000 in savings for the post-secondary education of eligible children.

You are eligible if your child was born in 2004 or later and you have ever been eligible for the National Child Benefit Supplement as part of the Canada Child Tax Benefit, known as the "family allowance". All eligible children receive at least \$500 and will receive \$100 more for each year they're eligible up to age 15 or a maximum of \$2,000.

How do I get the Canada Learning Bond?

- SmartSAVER can help you apply for the Canada Learning Bond and start an RESP with \$0 when you use the Start My RESP online tool at [www.tdsb.on.ca/SmartSAVER](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/SmartSAVER)
- You'll need a Social Insurance Number for yourself and your child to complete the application
- There is no cost and you don't need to contribute any money to get the Canada Learning Bond

Don't wait! Get started at [www.tdsb.on.ca/SmartSAVER](http://www.tdsb.on.ca/SmartSAVER)