



James S. Bell Junior Middle Sports and Wellness Academy June 5, 2014

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Bellapalooza Success

The 2014 Bellapalooza on May 24th was the best one ever! The best set-up, an amazing planning team, the largest community turn-out, the coolest water fight, and the largest number of staff dunked. What a great way to enjoy our school community and a beautiful spring day!



A big thank you to all of our wonderful parents, staff, and students who made this year's Bellapalooza a huge success.



Young Published Authors

This year the TDSB's ESL/ELD Department launched a collaborative writing project entitled *Canadian Passages* for all students. Students could choose to write in one of the following three areas: 1) I Remember When...; 2) Celebrations and Accomplishments; and 3) New Possibilities.

Nine of our ESL/ELD in grades 4 to 7 worked extremely hard and created beautifully written personal stories. In total, 47 schools and approximately 250 students entered their stories for an opportunity to be published in this year's *Canada Passages* anthology.



Congratulations to Jarif in grade 5, Dariesa in grade 6 and Gabriyel in grade 6 whose works have been selected! These student writers will participate in a book launch on June 10th. We are very proud of these students! Thank you, Ms. Tanga.



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Sharing Wellness Ideas

Ms. Gardiner and her class travelled to York University and participated in the TDSB Social Justice Conference on May 7th. They shared the JSB house system upon which we foster inclusion and caring with the Board. The students brought along a cross-sectional model of the school to make their point.



Their presentation was so well received that they were invited by OPHEA to talk to Ontario Physical Education teachers on June 10th. Well done, boys.

Setting Wellness Goals

Ms. Gardiner's students also led the school by their example in setting goals in mental wellness, spiritual wellness, social wellness, and physical wellness. Their collective effort reflects the discussions the students have had throughout the year. Their ideas are posted in front of Room 204 for all to view.



Track and Field

This year a total of 100 students from Gr.2 to Gr.8 participated at the West Conference Qualifier at Centennial Park on May 7th. Over 50 students (grades 4 to 8 only) qualified for the West Finals that took place on May 28th.

Fourteen students will move on to compete at the City Championship at Birchmount Stadium on Jun 10th.

Congratulations to all the student athletes, and a huge thank you to all the coaches and parent volunteers.

Gr.4

Sunny G. – 60 Hurdles (4th)

Gr.5

Jaiden O. – 60 Hurdles (1st)

Gr.6

Ernesto S. – 60 Hurdles (4th), 200m (4th)

Gr.7

Madison Q. – 800m (1st), 1500m (1st),
Relay (4th)

Aliyah F. – 80 H (1st), Relay (4th)

Sasha M. – Shot Put (1st)

Yaila S. – 400 m (2nd)

Mackenzie Q. – Javelin (3rd)

Aaliyah P. – Relay (4th)

Samuelle H. – Relay (4th)

Chad R. – 80 Hurdles (4th)

Gr.8

William C. – 800 m (1st), 1500 m (1st)

Essa G. – Running Long Jump (2nd),
100 m (4th)

Tenzin D. – 80 Hurdles (1st)

Mira W. – Shot Put (4th)

Khaleel L. – 80 Hurdles (4th)



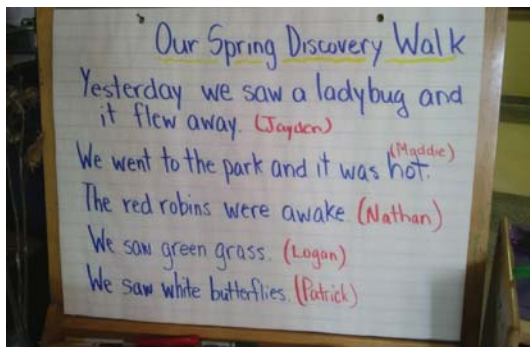
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More Tournaments: Ultimate Frisbee and Soccer

The Junior and Senior Ultimate Frisbee teams, and the Junior and Senior Soccer teams had their tournaments in May. They played hard and with perseverance against worthy opponents and made it to the playoffs. They vowed to capture the championship next year! Thank you to coaches Mr. Blaziak, Mr. Harvie, Mr. McShane, Ms. Morrison, Ms. Shears, Ms. Torresan, Ms. Persichino, and parent volunteers.

Searching for Spring

Ms. Marcocchio and Ms. Szpylma's JK/SK children went on a discovery walk searching for spring. They looked, listened, smelled, touched, and they found spring!



The students in grades 1 and 2 classes are looking for spring in painted lady butterflies. Each class is taking care of many butterfly larvae, first in jars with larva food, then in an aquarium or a big meshed cage for the chrysalis to moult into adult butterflies. The children are

watching with great anticipation the changing life cycle of the painted ladies. The butterfly kits were generous donations from the Parent Council.



Grad Trip to Muskoka Woods

The class of 2014 took their grad trip to Muskoka Woods on May 12. For 3 days in a row they created memories on one of the best class trips they had ever had.



The many fun activities they did ranged from tennis, basketball, volleyball, tetherball, roller skating, to movies, campfire, wall climbing, low ropes, and many more. The food was great and the cabins were really clean and comfortable. Everyone left Muskoka Woods with wonderful memories. Thank you to Mr. Barnes, Mr. Harvie and Ms. Gardiner.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 DAY 5 EQAO Gr.7's to Mono Cliffs	3 DAY 1 EQAO Gr.7's at Mono Cliffs	4 DAY 2 EQAO Book-4-Book trade Gr.7's at Mono Cliffs	5 DAY 3 Book-4-Book trade Gr.7's back Gr.1/2 (Barton) to EFSC	6 DAY 0 PA Day, no school	7
8	9 DAY 4	10 DAY 5 Gr.3's (Chard & Leis) to Sam Smith Park Outdoor Ed	11 DAY 1	12 DAY 2 House Day/Play Day (half day, TBD)	13 DAY 3 Math Fair, 2-3 pm, Hot Lunch Rm	14
15	16 DAY 4	17 DAY 5 SWA Orientation	18 DAY 1 JK/SK Open House, 5:30-7 pm	19 DAY 2 Terrific Tigers As- sembly and JK-5 Concert, 9:20 Volunteer Tee 3:30	20 DAY 3	21
	23 DAY 4 Gr.5/6 & 6 to Sam Smith Park Outdoor Ed	24 DAY 5	25 DAY 1 Graduation, 10 am	26 DAY 2	27 DAY 3 Last day of school	28
29	30 DAY 2 Have a wonderful summer. Be sun safe. School starts on Tuesday, September 2. See you!					