



# Kennedy Clan News



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

**March 2014**

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We trust that our Kennedy families have had a very safe and restful Family Day Weekend. Despite the numerous cold days and indoor recesses, February proved to be a very exciting and rewarding month full of activities. It was nice to see many parents and guardians during our Parent-Teacher interview evening and at the Kindergarten Registration days.

Once again, our various school committees met to plan and organize valuable programs and initiatives for our students. Staff and students lead by Ms. Lantz and Mrs. Chang, including Ms. Fang, Mrs. Mohamed and Mrs. Csombok organized a tribute to Winter Sports and our French Heritage celebrating the winter Olympics and Bonhomme Carnaval. Under Ms. Toskanaridis's leadership, the school honoured Black Heritage month with renown author Itah Sadu, while Mrs. Chang organized a visit with the Dairy Educator for our Primary students. The Student Council Committee met with Ms. Khan to organize our 'Candy-Gram' event and the "Me to We" group lead by Mrs. Mohamed ran a Bake Sale to support Social Justice causes. Our Kennedy Dolphins lead by Miss McDougall and Ms. Khan continued to represent our school in area Volleyball tournament attaining top spots in their competitions, and our Grade 8 girls had their second HPV immunization. Finally we'd like congratulate Mr. Siu and the Intermediate Choir for singing the American National Anthem at the Toronto Marlies Game; and the Intermediate band for their Silver placement at the Ontario Band Association Festival!

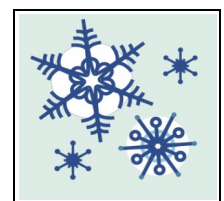
Our teachers continued to develop Best Practice through Professional Learning communities where the focus was on developing Learning Goals that align with our Improvement Plans. In the classroom, students are busy working on their speech arts units. In addition, Mr. Borges and Mrs. Chan have been busy promoting the Urban Voices Poetry initiative where selected winners will have their poems published in the annual TDSB Poetry book. Technology continues to be a priority at the school and this month students are enriching their learning using the Family of Schools iPad Cart which will be housed at our school until the end of March.

Finally, we welcome to Kennedy P.S. Miss Fanny Wong who will be taking over Mrs. Palmers Kindergarten class and Mrs. Maureen Fitzpatrick who will be covering the office in Mrs. Salo's absence. We wish Mrs. Salo a speedy recovery and send best wishes to Mrs. Palmer and her husband on the upcoming birth of their first Child.

*Rhonda Cohen-Pierobon* Principal

***You can now follow me on Twitter @ Rhonda Cohen***

***You can now follow Kennedy P.S. on Twitter @TDSB KennedyPS***



## Please Save the Date.....

Please join us for:

### *Kennedy School Council Meeting Tuesday March 25th, 2014 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. In the Staffroom Agenda:*

- ◆ School updates
- ◆ **Housing Information workshop**
- ◆ Session 1 of 3 with Settlement Counselors:  
Susan Shi & Cindy Wu

**Translator Available**

*Everyone welcome*



请参加

学校家长理事会会议

2014年3月25日星期二

下午6:00—8:00

肯尼迪小学教师休息室

日程:

- ◆ 学校近况
- ◆ **如何申请政府补贴房** (3讲中的第一讲)
- ◆ 讲员: 士嘉堡房屋帮助中心Cindy Wu
- ◆ 第二讲将于4月8日星期二 6:00 - 8:00举行
- ◆ 第三讲将于5月6日星期二6:00 - 8:00举行



讲座语言: 普通话

### **Kennedy Staff win First Place in Beach Volleyball Competition**

a group of teachers entered an indoor beach volleyball tournament for TDSB teachers at North Beach. They worked together as a team and bumped, set, and spiked their way to the top of their division, and eventually took home the championship! Go Kennedy!



### **Upcoming March Dates**

### **Kennedy Staff win First Place Beach Volleyball Competition**

5th: Ms. Tsokanaridis and Grade 8 representative at Centennial college

5th: Launch of Character Education assembly

6th: Gr. 4/5 & Gr. 5 on a trip to Queen's Park

7th: No school for students

10th - 14th: March Break School is closed

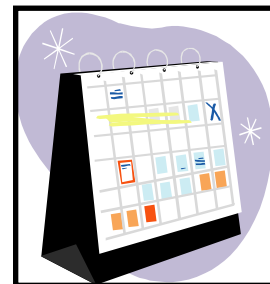
17th: School begins

25th: Wen Do Self Defense

28th: Popcorn Day

28th: Q. Mac Presentation

28th: March Character Assembly: Honesty



# THANK YOU MR. SIU FOR OUR MUSIC ENRICHMENT!

## ONTARIO BAND FESTIVAL KENNEDY BAND TAKES SILVER



OBA CONCERT BAND FESTIVAL  
MARKHAM ONTARIO 2014

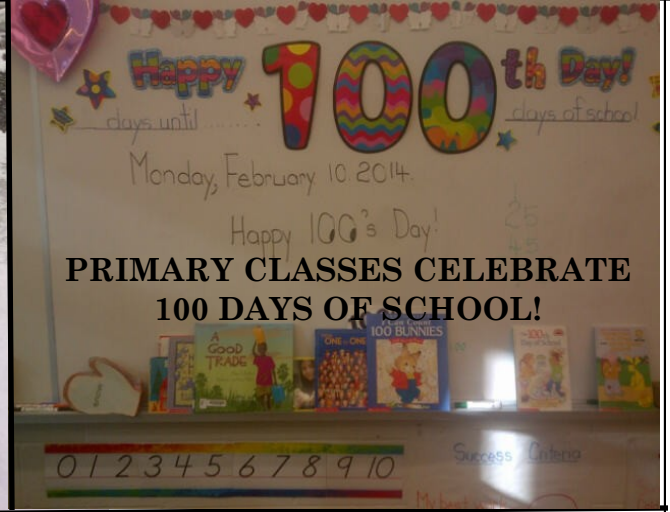
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### KENNEDY CHOIR PERFORMS AT THE MARLIES GAME



### ENJOYING SNOW DAYS!



### PRIMARY CLASSES CELEBRATE 100 DAYS OF SCHOOL!

STACK!!!! That was the infamous play the Grade 7/8 girls' Bordenball team called that helped them earn their title as North Conference Champions. The girls practiced long and hard for their tournament at Sir John A. Macdonald CC way back on October 1st. The day was sweltering hot, but that didn't stop the girls from doing their best and remaining undefeated against FIVE other schools! Shout outs go to Ms. McDougall for coaching the team and Ms. Lantz for organizing the event. Congrats to all the members on the team: Sunny Zheng, Katherine Quach, Angela Lin, Vicki Xu, Teresa Wong, Madi Koo, Kelly Nip, Amy Louie, Jessica Nip, Mikaela Rotterman and Panya Tang.

### Kennedy Grade 8 Girls win First Place in NE Bordenball Competition



## Character Development



January - Teamwork

February - Fairness

March - Honesty

April - Co-Operation

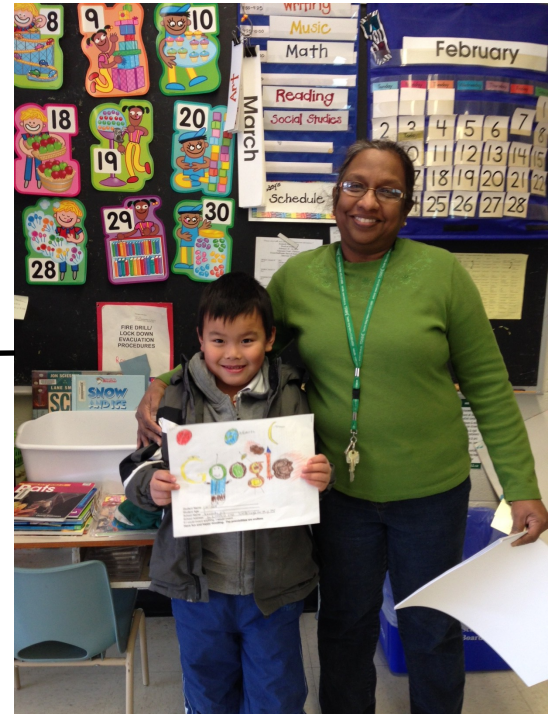


# Kennedy Award Winners



**Congratulations Mr. David Pollard**  
Kennedy staff and students congratulate Mr. David Pollard on his Literacy Award at the **Reading for the Love of It Conference!**

**Congratulations Carl Sun's**  
in Mrs. Sugumar's Grade 2 class. Carl was a finalist in the Google Doodle contest. His Google Doodle will be displayed at the ROM later in the year!



Enjoying Winter Weather Outdoors



**Kennedy PS Honours Black Heritage Month with author Itah Sadu**

## Me To We

