

THE KENNEDY KEYNOTE

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Principal's Message



The spring term continues to move along at a fast and furious pace with yet another incredibly busy and exciting month. On the courts, our Dolphins were involved in several exciting volleyball, badminton, and Track and Field tournaments. The athletes represented the school well bringing home several banners and displaying excellent sportsmanship. Our Kennedy KITE Eco club generated a school wide Mascot contest and our Junior and Intermediate students led by Ms. Khan, presented outstanding projects at our annual Science Fair and family evening. Add to these initiatives Ms. Saleh's Book Fair; Track and Field day lead by Miss Lantz; 'Me to We' activities with Mrs. Mohamed; Spring Concert with Mr. Siu; Dance presentation with Mrs. Kuld, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Sugamar; Talent show lead by Ms. Chang; and our annual Career Fair organized by Ms. Chan and Mrs Tarascio; STEM project lead by Mrs. Tierney, it's easy to see that May will certainly be filled with the usual positive energy and enthusiasm that is Kennedy!

In the classrooms, everyone is busy with public speaking and the upcoming Speech Arts Competitions, while the Grades 3 & 6 staff and students are busy preparing for the upcoming EQAO assessment. At the same time, our school continues to focus on the "Third Teacher" and environmental print including Learning Goals and Success Criteria as key components to student success. In addition, our Numeracy goal is to revisit the: 'Three Part Lesson' as an effective teaching strategy. As part of full-day kindergarten, each year our school surveys parents for their interest in a fee-based before- and after-school program for kindergarten students. Based on this year's survey, there was not enough interest in a program. Therefore our school will not have a kindergarten before- and after-school program for September 2014. We would like to thank Jean Kennedy Campbell who provided a staff appreciation 'Tea and Treats' to all our staff and to the parents and families who attended our Science Fair and annual spring Book Fair. A very big thank you goes out to all our staff who were busy helping to make the evening a success and to our wonderful community including Trustee Sotiropoulos and M.P Karygiannis for being part of the celebrations, supporting our efforts. Finally, I'd like to remind you that Monday May 19th is Victoria Day and therefore school will be closed.

Rhonda Cohen-Pierobon

Principal, [Twitter.com/RhondaCohen](https://twitter.com/RhondaCohen)



Please Save the Date.....

Please join us for:

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

Agenda:

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



Upcoming May Dates

2nd: Dance Club showcase in the afternoon

5th - 9th: EDUCATION WEEK “ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION”

6th: Family of Schools Junior Speech Arts at Sir John A. McDonald

6th: School Council Evening 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

7th: Early Years Parent Information evening 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

8th: Family of Schools Intermediate Speech Arts at MacMillan

8th: Spring Concert Chinese United Church 3300 Kennedy Rd. 7:00-8:30

14th: Grade 7 & 8 Gauss Math Contest

14th: Grade 7 Band at Band Fest

15th: Grades 6, 7, 8 Career Day

19th: Victoria Day - School Is closed

20th: Jump Rope For Heart

23rd: Talent Show in the afternoon

May 26th - June 5th: Gr. 3 & 6 EQAO Assessments

May 31st - June 6th: Music By The Lake



请参加

学校家长理事会会议

2014年5月6日星期二

下午6:00—8:00

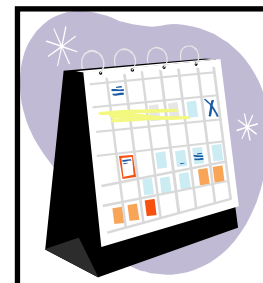
肯尼迪小学教师休息室

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5月6日星期二 6:00 -



Kennedy Public School
Learning for Life



Kennedy Music PRESENTS...
Folktunes Concert

Date: May 8th, 7:00PM - 8:30PM

Choirs, Bands, Jazz, and more!

Location : Toronto Chinese United Church, 3300
Kennedy Road (Beside Pizza Pizza)

Tickets : \$5 Tickets will be sold Morning
and Afternoon recess
starting April 30th

STAFF APPRECIATION



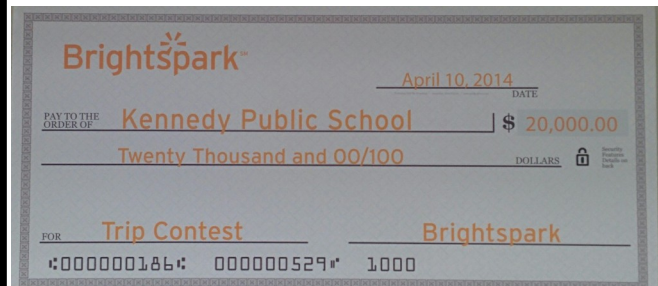
Thank you
Mrs. Jean
Kennedy - Campbell
for the delicious
Tea & Treats

KENNEDY WINS \$20,000.00

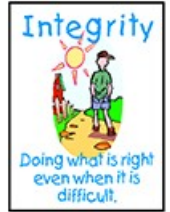
FROM BRIGHTSPARK

JUNE 9th, is the day all the grade eights have been waiting for. *The Grad Trip to Quebec!* So much has been happening lately and everyone has been counting down the days. But has anyone wondered who's paying for part of this trip? Well with over 300 schools entered into a lucky draw for \$20,000, Kennedy was chosen as this year's winner. Special thanks goes to Brightspark Tours for this generous gift.

By Sunny and Madi (Grade 8)



Character Development May - Integrity



Designed by David Ye and Cheryl Cheung



Science Fair



On April 24th, Kennedy had held their own science fair. Students from grades 4-8 had worked very hard to create science boards displaying different scientific experiments. The science fair took place in the gym, judging taking place in the afternoon, and the exhibition in the evening had welcomed parents and guests to visit. Fun family activities were available and the award ceremony had taken place towards the end of the event. Thank you to all the students who had participated and supported this year's science fair, a huge thanks goes out to all the staff who have contributed to the event as well. The Kennedy Science Fair of 2014 would not have been made possible without you, Kennedy!

Track and Field

On April 25th, Kennedy Staff and Students stood outside in the cold and windy weather, in order to compete in our 2014 Track and Field competition. The day started off with a multitude of events, from Shot Put, Javelin, 100m Sprint, 400m/800m, Running Long Jump, Triple Jump, Standing Long Jump, and Hurdles. Despite the weather, Kennedy students still pulled through and congratulations to all of the students moving onto varsity! Special thanks to all of the Grade 8 leaders, as well as the staff for leading in the freezing weather, and for Ms. Cohen purchasing hot chocolate for everyone involved.



Queen's Park

On April 15th, Grade 7 students had a fabulous trip to Queen's Park to hear about the Page Program and visit in on the Questioning Session. Our group had impeccable timing as we were able to meet and have a photo opportunity with Premier Kathleen Wynne and MPP Soo Wong.
- D. Loftus Tierney



Me To We

On April 17th Kennedy Staff and Students joined Malala, Shiza Shahid and Craig Kielburger in the We Are Silent pledge for the millions of girls around the world silenced by poverty, exploitation and the denial of their fundamental right to an education.