



What's Going on at Perth?

Perth Panthers' Cross Country Season

A HUGE congratulations to all the amazing athletes for their hard work this season and HUGE thanks to all of the families who came out to volunteer and cheer on our runners! We couldn't have done it without you!

The **Primary team** got to train hard and wrapped up their final practice on Thursday with a celebratory morning of games, music and glow sticks in the gym.

The **Junior team** represented Perth with pride at our big race at **Sunnybrook Park** on October 11th. Qualifying runners will be notified on Friday and will race on at the Centennial Park City Finals on October 21st. We will continue our 8:10 am Tuesday and Thursday morning practices for those continuing on, and for any eager Juniors interested in continuing their training. Here are a few shots from our warm up and some from our big meet thanks to Patrick Morrell.

Way to go Perth Panthers!

Cross Country Crew: Mallory Bey, Laura Creedon, Christa Dueck, Meghan Lee, Natalie Meyers, Caley Venn
Special thanks to parent volunteers: Julie J, Christina T, Peter D, Marija S, Maria L.



ORANGE ROCK GARDEN -From Room 109



SCHOOL INFORMATION

DATES to NOTE:

October 19, 2022

Individual Education Plans (IEPs) sent home

October 25, 2022

Photo Day

PHOTO DAY IS COMING!

YOUR PHOTO DAY IS APPROACHING!

Tuesday, October 25, 2022



Showcase Your Best Smile

- Students will be photographed at school.
- On photo day, no order form or payment is due.
- Review your images and purchase online with ease!
- Please do not wear green to avoid blending into the background.

REMINDER

Sign up for notifications at edgeimaging.ca/photoday to get real-time updates about your photo day and stay in the know with Edge.

DON'T FORGET

School photos are a Canadian tradition to capture the school year and preserve your continued growth.



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Extra-Curriculars

UPCOMING:

Club Calme

Beginning on Day 2, Monday October 24th, students will have a chance to visit Club Calme in studio (room) 101 during their lunch break. This will be a space to explore some quiet, peace and solitude, do some stretching, breathing exercises, and some mindful colouring/doodling as well. All students from grades 1-6 will be welcome to attend this lunch recess drop in. We will be looking to the students who join for input on how they best see the club existing.

Drama Club is on the way!

Ms. Creedon and Mr. Hodgson will be hosting a drama club in the near future so please make sure to keep your ears open for the announcements and more information.

FALL CHESS PROGRAM coming to Perth

To Register please visit the link below:

<https://chess-math.org/perth-fall2022>



Nutrition Program



THANK YOU for your contributions in supporting the Nutrition Program. If you would like to contribute please [Click here to sign up](#) for school cash online. This link will be active for two more weeks.

SNACK for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
blueberries and crackers	grapes and granola bars	melba toast and cheese	made good bars	rice krispies squares

MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Monday to Friday	16 - 20	Anti-Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week	Ontario Government
Monday to Sunday	10 - 16	Body Confidence Awareness Week (3 rd Week Oct.)	Toronto District School Board (TDSB)
Monday to Sunday	10 - 16	Sukkot*	Judaism
Tuesday	11	International Day of the Girl Child	United Nations
Wednesday & Thursday	12 - 13	Karva Chauth*	Hinduism
Sunday	16	World Food Day	United Nations
Monday	17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	United Nations
Monday & Tuesday	17 – 18	Shemini Atzeret*	Judaism
Monday to Sunday	17 - 23	Week Without Violence (3 rd week of October)	YMCA
Tuesday	18	Simchat Torah*	Judaism
Thursday	20	Gurgadi of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji as Guru	Sikhism
Monday	24	Bandi Chhor Divas	Sikhism
Monday	24	Diwali	Hinduism/Jainism/Sikhism
Wednesday	26	Birth of the Bá'b*	Bahá'i
Thursday	27	Birth of Bahá'u'lláh*	Bahá'i
Saturday	29	Gyana Panchami	Jainism
To Be Announced		Kathina Festival/Paváraná Day	Buddhism
To Be Announced		Megregan	Zoroastrian

EARLY FRENCH IMMERSION



Early French Immersion Begins in Junior Kindergarten

Applications Open: October 31, 2022
Deadline to Apply: November 25, 2022

(Junior Kindergarten Entry) Application Deadline

For families interested in the Toronto District School Board's system-wide French Immersion Program, we offer an online process to apply for Early French Immersion (begins in JK). An offer of placement in the program (not a specific school) is guaranteed to all on-time applicants. Families with an older sibling currently in an Early French Immersion program are still required to complete an online application for the new student.

The timeline to apply to the program for September 2023 is:
Early French Immersion: Applications must be completed online between October 31 and November 25, 2022. For more information,

please visit: [Early French Immersion, Virtual & In-Person Information Sessions or the Application Process.](#)

Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference

Join us at our annual Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference on October 22 and 23, 2022. Parents, guardians and caregivers are invited to participate in a weekend of learning, connection and engagement and learn strategies to support your child throughout the year.

New this year, we have partnered with the TDSB's Outdoor Education team as well as the City of Toronto to bring a unique, outdoor experience to the conference. All pre-conference sessions will run from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Transportation from hub sites is available to all venues and leaves a designated departure location at 8 a.m. and returns at 10:30 a.m. More information will be provided in the registration.

The virtual conference includes a keynote address on Sunday, October 24 by Randell Adjei, Ontario's Poet Laureate, as well as a number of workshops in a range of areas including mental health and well-being, learning, special education, anti-racism and hate and more.

Registration opens soon. Visit www.parentsaspartners.ca for more information.

KEEPING KIDS SAFE:

Drivers are reminded to do their part to keep children safe near school buses.

Drivers should follow these tips:

- Stop and never pass a school bus when its red lights are flashing.
- Leave space around school buses and avoid blocking school bus loading zones so children can enter and exit safely.
- Be prepared to stop for a school bus at any time, not just during school hours.
- Always obey the rules of the road and watch for children, especially in school zones.
- Stop for pedestrians at crosswalks and school crossings.

Parents can also help keep their children safe by reminding them to be aware of their surroundings when they are on or near school buses.

Keep **UPDATED** and **IN THE LOOP** by bookmarking the Perth Website on your browser and checking back frequently!
The Perth School Calendar is there, newsletter archive, news from SAC and reminders and event reminders from the school.
<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/PerthAvenue>





PERTH SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Hello Perth Parents/Caregivers,

We hope you had a wonderful week. Here are the Perth School Council's updates for this issue of the Perth Post.

2022-2023 Perth School Council Executive

Congratulations to the four people who have been acclaimed as the Perth School Council Executive for this school year! We are so grateful for their leadership and know they'll contribute amazing things to the community. Please join us in welcoming:

Jessica McQuoid

Children at Perth Avenue JPS and Grade: Jade – Grade 1

Jessica would like to be a member of the Perth School Council to ensure the school is not only a place where students receive an excellent education but where they can thrive, connect with the community and develop a love of lifelong learning. She attended Colgate University (Hamilton NY) where she played NCAA Basketball and studied Sociology and Anthropology. Jessica then moved into Investment Banking working at BMO Nesbitt Burns for 9 years. After the birth of her daughter she studied Nutrition and attended Culinary school (following a lifelong passion) and now runs her own business Whole Health Kitchen. She is also deeply involved in Food Security work. Last year Jessica rewrote a course on Gender and Food Security for TMU (formerly Ryerson) and is a Board Member at The Stop Community Food Center.

Tugce Sahin

Children at Perth Avenue JPS and Grade: Aya – Junior Kindergarten

Tugce's child started JK in Perth Ave Junior Public School this year. She would like to be an active member of her child's education journey. Tugce believes that School Councils play an important role to improve students' achievements and connect families with the school community and teachers. She completed her PhD in the University of Toronto and has numerous years of teaching experience at university and college level courses. Tugce would like to be an active participant in this school community to help parents, students and the school. She believes that her teaching and communication skills make her a great candidate for the School Council.

Bilqis Williams

Children at Perth Avenue JPS and Grade: Zahra – Junior Kindergarten

Bilqis is a mother to a kindergartener at this esteemed institution. As a public health practitioner, migrant and member of the Canadian Armed Forces, she has had the privilege of living in different communities, gathering unique insights and skills. Consequently, her family

has engaged with different schools and care facilities around the world. These experiences have provided Bilqis with a unique appreciation for the different tools that elevate student successes in the classroom, and beyond. She believes she can provide unique stakeholder perspectives that will further the vision and investment of the students, council and school over the years.

Laeticia Diniz

Children at Perth Avenue JPS and Grade: Zahra – Grade 1; Elijah – Grade 4

Laeticia works in Human Resources at the University of Toronto. She has 18 years of experience within the higher education and finance sectors, she has a specific focus on workplace investigations and workplace restoration and is well-versed in navigating the intricacies of the public sector. A Junction Triangle resident for over 13 years, Laeticia has developed deep roots within the community. She is a parent at Perth Avenue Public School and loves to explore the neighbourhood with her partner and two children. When not working, Laeticia enjoys travelling, cooking and giving back to the community. As a parent at Perth Avenue Public School with kids in grade 1 and 4 (in Mme. Fowlie and Mme. Bey's classes), she is excited about the year ahead. Serving on the SAC Exec for the last 2 years, she looks forward to the contributions she can make, together with the team, to ensure that the Perth community has a wonderful year ahead.

Oct. 12 School Council Meeting

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend this meeting. There was a ton of great information shared and important conversations held.

A few subcommittees were formed, including the new **Extracurriculars Subcommittee**, which will offer parents/caregivers at Perth a chance to support extracurricular activities at the school. The other subcommittees are:

- Fundraising
- Outdoor Education
- Pizza Day

Details about how to volunteer to be part of a subcommittee will be shared shortly, but you can always reach out at perthschoolcouncil@gmail.com if you have any questions.

You can watch a recording of the meeting using this link:

<https://tdsb-ca.zoom.us/rec/share/cl5xqYjHfaDHykf4MZz4eKEsSg7eZIUal-gft6OjcnadywiLR-Z53c8GsRmXic6.cmPoQMCL0mHyPXiR>

We will share the minutes as soon as they're ready.

Junction Triangle Craft Show



Call to Vendors! The Junction Triangle Craft Show is BACK!!! Saturday December 10th

Email us for more vendor details
Junctiontrianglecraftshow@gmail.com

The Junction Triangle Craft Show, which is happening on **Saturday Dec. 10** at Perth, and is a fundraiser for the school and a great community building effort, is looking for vendors. This show is always really well attended and is a wonderful opportunity for vendors. Please reach out at junctiontrianglecraftshow@gmail.com if you'd like to sell your goods there or have questions.

They will also be looking for volunteers to help out on the day of, so please keep your eyes out for that call out.

Social Media

Please be sure to follow the Perth School Council's social media for information and more frequent updates.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/perthpanthers14>

Instagram: [instagram.com/perthave.parentcouncil](https://www.instagram.com/perthave.parentcouncil)

You can also reach out at perthschoolcouncil@gmail.com

Take a peek at the School Council's [Linktree site](#), where you can find an archive of previous School Council meeting agendas and minutes, advocacy letters and other resources.

And please be sure to visit the School Council website at www.perthschoolcouncil.com/, which has tons of information Perth families need, including an event calendar.

Thank you for reading. We hope you have a fantastic weekend!

–The Perth School Council Exec

