

Whitney Word

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school dates for april

- 13** Monday
Battle of the Books Finals
- 14** Tuesday, 7:55am and 11:50am
Junior Choir
- 15** Wednesday, 7:55am
Music Theatre Ensemble
- 17** Friday 11:50-12:20pm
Music Theatre Ensemble
- 30** Thursday, 7pm
Whitney's Got Talent Performance (gr 4,5,6)

school dates for may

- 21** Thursday, 7pm
The Main Event—Toronto Lawn

Last week *the lost and found* for checking the Lost and Found for your missing clothing items. Quite a few of our lost & found items have been reclaimed. A reminder to students and parents to please have a look across from the office on the 2nd floor and perhaps rediscover your missing items!

from the principal



As the warmer weather approaches (we hope), we want to remind students and parents of appropriate dress at school.

Although there is no particular dress code required, there are a few simple rules to ensure a safe, inclusive and respectful atmosphere.

- Running shoes and comfortable shorts are required for gym class.
- Hats may not be worn indoors except for religious or cultural headwear.
- Messages and images on t-shirts must be appropriate for school. Please keep the messages POSITIVE!
- Midriffs and tummies should be covered and straps on tops must be at least two finger widths across with no bra straps visible.
- Very short shorts are not appropriate for school; please ensure that underwear is not visible.

Debbie Stern

Want to report a student absence? Want to know when the deadline is? Need a copy of a field trip form?

Save yourself a call and program allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca in your smartphone and email Allison in the office for any of your Whitney School needs.



Battle of the Books

Congratulations to all the teams that participated in this year's Battle of The Books. The teams have been outstanding! There have been so many close matches.

On Monday at 8am, in the library, we will hold our final consolation match:

The Neon Ninjas (Sara, Livie, Keeley, Lilah (302))

V **The Lightning Readers** (Matthew -303, Dani -303, Amar-303, Devin-308)

On Monday, following lunch, in the gym, we will hold our final, FINAL match:

The Fastest Readers In The Galaxy (Noah, Ryan, Alexia, Sabrina-302),

V **Electrifying Unikitties** (Ellie, Anne, Cayden, Clarke-303).



All children in grades 3-6 will be present to watch this final match. Which team will be the 2015 BOB Champion? Who will win pizza lunch for their class? Thank you to all the parents and staff for their support, at home and in school. The children have loved having you in the audience.

Any questions, please feel free to contact Kathy Clarke, xyzkathy@rogers.com

neighbourhood

35th Anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope Running Room Special Event

**Sunday April 12th
8:30am**

@ your local Running Room Store

On April 12th, 35 years ago, Terry Fox started his iconic cross-Country run. Join The Running Room stores this year to kick off the celebration and fundraising for the 2015 Terry Fox Run. Run or walk from 1K to 10K or more, every kilometer counts as we tally up the total distance travelled.

Details [here](#).



35th Anniversary of Terry's Marathon of Hope Free Skate @ UCC

**Sunday April 12th
2:30-4:30pm, UCC Arena**

(enter Lonsdale main entrance, parking beside arena)

Terry was a runner but there is no reason not to enjoy an afternoon skate to commemorate his historic Marathon of Hope. UCC is hosting a **Free Skate for Terry Fox**. Come one, come all – everyone welcome!

Details [here](#).



Whitney's Got Talent

Schedule of practices

When students come to practice, they will have about 20 minutes of practice time on their own, with approximately a 10-minute presentation at the end of every practice, to help enhance their presentation skills and get more comfortable presenting to an audience. Again, costumes are not necessary, but students must come prepared with their own music and/or props that may be needed for each practice.

Tuesday, April 14 th and Tuesday, April 21 st	Wednesday, April 15 th and Wednesday, April 22 nd
<p><u>Group – Dancers:</u> Team Dance and Fun!</p> <p><u>Teachers:</u> Ms. Mandel, Ms. Hall and Ms. Diniz</p> <p><u>Location:</u> Gym</p>	<p><u>Group- Singers and Musicians:</u> Team Music</p> <p><u>Teachers:</u> Ms. Carmona and Ms. Hargrave</p> <p><u>Location:</u> Music Room</p>

On Wednesday, April 29th, the students will have an afterschool rehearsal, running from approximately 3:20 – 5:00 p.m. It is very important students are here for this rehearsal. More information regarding this rehearsal will be sent home next week.

We look forward to your company for our 2nd Whitney's Got Talent on Thursday, April 30th, 2015!

**The Whitney's Got Talent Committee
Ms. Hargrave, Ms. Mandel, Ms. Hall, Ms. Gray, Ms. Diniz**



Call for Auction Items!

WHITNEY MAIN EVENT

Thursday, May 21st
The Toronto Lawn
@ 7 PM

The parent teacher Social of the Year
Super fun!
Great opportunity to mingle & support Whitney!

The evening includes a silent auction focused on experiences that make our Whitney community special.

KIDS' FUN

We are looking for two events per grade (K - 6). Please consider hosting one. For example:

- * Girls Tea Party (6 kids)
- * SkyZone & Sundae Making (10 kids)
- * Ball Hockey Tournament (20 kids)
- * Pool Party (8 kids)

GROWN-UP FUN

We are also looking for items and experiences for grown-ups, such as:

- * Gift cards (restaurants, retailers, movies)
- * Premium tickets to sporting & cultural events
- * Golf & ski days
- * Boot camp, yoga & pilates classes

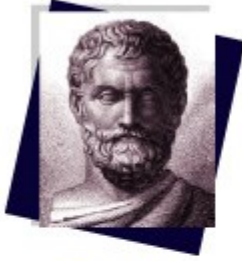
All donations will be recognized in an online catalogue for the Main Event.

Please email Meric at mkembar@gmail.com or Marcia at marcia.moffat@gmail.com to donate or to bounce around ideas!

Thanks!

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THALES



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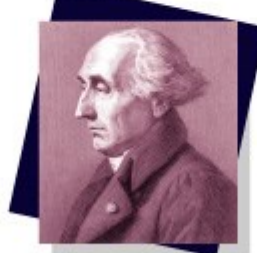
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During the morning of April 15, all grade 4, 5 and 6 students will be participating in the Mathematica National Math Contest. This contest encourages students to further develop their problem solving skills through a series of challenging multiple-choice questions. Learning mathematics through problems solving provides students with long lasting skills that help students construct and create a deep understanding of math ideas and processes. It is also an ideal opportunity to extend and enrich the junior math program.

Students in grade 4-6 will have the opportunity to write and discuss a practice test in their classrooms. The grade fours will write the Byron-Germain test, the grade will fives write the Fibonacci test and the grade sixes write the Pythagoras test. Feel free to visit www.mathematica.ca to find a practice test and answers. All participants will receive a certificate for participation, while each student who scores over the national average receive certificates of distinction.

We look forward to the incredible efforts from all our grade 4, 5 and 6 students.
Go Whitney!

Wittenberg's Wall

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Grade 6 Badminton

Congratulations to the members of the grade 6 badminton team on an amazing performance at their one day tournament at Hillcrest. The boys and girls won both of their morning matches 5-0 and went into the semi finals against a strong team from Clinton PS. Our student athletes showed no fear, easily advancing to the pool finals with a 4-1 victory. In the finals, Whitney was up against their foes from Palmerston (the team that knocked Whitney out in the Conference semi finals). The finals was another brilliant display of badminton, with smashes, drives, drop shots and clears even the pros are proud of! Whitney came up just short, losing 3-2 (although four of the five matches went to three sets!); however they did book their ticket to the Conference quarter finals which will take place next week. Way to go team!!

Grade 4/5 Badminton

The grade 4/5 badminton teams will be competing in a one morning tournament at Brown PS on Thursday April 16th. Please note that the game times have been changed to 9:00 (Team 1) and 10:00 (Team 2). Student athletes need to arrive at Brown PS (454 Avenue Road) at least 15 minutes before their match. Please let me know if you can drive.



MONDAY

Boys Soccer Tryouts

(grades 4, 5, 6) - students can meet me at school 7:15am or Rosedale Park 7:30am

Track and field - 800m tryouts

(grades 4, 5 and 6) at morning recess on the track

Grade 4/5 Ultimate Tryouts

3:20-4:20 on Whitney field

TUESDAY

Girls Soccer Tryouts

(grades 4, 5, 6) - students can meet me at school 7:15am or Rosedale Park at 7:30am

Track and field - 200m/400m tryouts

(grades 4, 5, 6) 12pm on the track

Grade 6 Ultimate Tryouts

3:20-4:20 on Whitney field

WEDNESDAY

Grade 4/5 Badminton Practice

7:30am in the gym

Track and field - 60m Hurdles

(grades 4, 5, 6) 12pm on the track

THURSDAY

Grade 4/5 Badminton Tournament

@ Brown PS

Track and field - 1500m tryouts

(grades 4, 5 and 6), afternoon recess on the track

FRIDAY

Boys and Girls Soccer Practice

students can meet me at school 7:15am or at Rosedale Park at 7:30 am

Grade 4/5 and 6 Ultimate practice (please bring either a packed lunch, or container to pick up your hot lunch) 11:40am walking and eating

@ Rosedale Park