

# Whitney Word

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## school dates for **may**

- 12** Tuesday  
**Track and Field Meet, Birchmount Stadium**
- 13** Wednesday  
**Lice Check**
- 18** Monday  
**Victoria Day—No School**
- 20** Wednesday  
**Panoramic Photo**
- 21** Thursday, 7pm  
**The Main Event—Toronto Lawn**
- 25** Monday  
**EQAO Testing Starts**

## school dates for **june**

- 2** Tuesday  
**Track and Field South Conference Finals**
- 5** Friday  
**PA Day—No School**
- 9** Tuesday  
**Track and Field City Finals**
- 12** Friday  
**SPA Day**

## 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](mailto:allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca) in your smartphone and email Allison in the office for any of your Whitney School needs.



## Student Placement Process 2015-2016

Classes are organized for next year based on the staffing model for the school which was published in the April 24th edition of the Whitney Word. Once the transfer and hiring is completed, sending and receiving teachers will meet with me and we will organize classes according to several criteria: a balance of boys and girls, a balance of student's strengths and learning needs and keeping students who work well together and separating students whose working relationships are not as productive. Students with special learning needs will also be considered in the placement process.

The placement process will be as follows:

- If you, as a parent, feel that there is something about your child's strengths and needs that we don't already know about, please send a letter/email to myself or the teacher **by Friday May 29<sup>th</sup>**. What you tell me about your child will be taken into consideration during the placement process. **Requests for specific teachers or straight versus combined classes cannot be accommodated.**
- Placement decisions will be final and parents will be notified in the end of year report card which will be sent home on Wednesday June 24.

**Please note: Due to the uncertainty of class organization next year, student placements are subject to September actual enrolment/realignment.**

**Debbie Stern**



We continue to have a very serious problem with dog feces on school property. Although there are many signs restricting dogs at any time on the weekend or weekdays, it is clear that many local residents are not following this rule. To make matters worse, some owners are allowing their dogs to poop on the property without the requisite clean-up afterwards. It is very frustrating that some people are not being responsible or respectful of the property, especially one that is the daytime home for hundreds of children every day.

Please help us by reminding any dog owners that you see during off-hours of the rule and the impact this behaviour can have on children's health.

**Debbie Stern**

Coming soon to a club near you...  
Thursday, May 21st, The Toronto Lawn @ 7PM



# LOOK WHO'S COMING

WHITNEY PUBLIC SCHOOL PRODUCTIONS featuring...

JALYN and BILL ANDERSON NATALIE and ALEX AVERY MICHAEL BARRONS SARAH and JD BOYES  
PATRICIA CAMPBELL and RICK LAVOIE SUZANNE CLAPP and JONATHAN GRANT LISA and ANDREW CLARK LAURA CUDDIE and  
JOHN MORGAN TED CONROD and SALLY ARMSTRONG MELANIE and DOUG DEEKS KATHY and GERRY DIMAKOPOULOS  
SUNNY EDMUNDS and DAVID COBBOLD TOM ELLIOT AMBER FRIESEN and JHAD SHRON JENNIFER and GARY GOBA  
HEATHER and GREG HALL CHRIS HARDY and STEPH NERLICH JENNIFER HARGRAVE SANDRA and THEO HELDMAN  
APRIL and SASHA JACOB TERRI and JUSTIN JAKUBIAK DAVA JORGO JOANNA KARADIMAS MERIC KOKSAL and ZACK KEMBAR  
SARAH and STEVE KURASH DAVID and MARLA LAROCK MARY LELO RIBEIRO KERI LEVINSKY and CLAUDE GALIPEAU  
JANICE LOUDON and PAUL FILEK SARAH LOWY and STUART HENDERSON MARY and BRENT MCPHERSON  
CHERYL and JEFFREY MILLER MATTHEW MILNE-SMITH and CARMEN TANG FANI NHUCH and WILLIAM WHITE  
MATT and CLAIRE PACAUD RANI and JAMIESON RAHMAN VICKY and MARTY RESZETNIK SHELLEY ROBINSON  
SUSIE and NORM SABAPATHY PAULA SEIGEL NAOMI SIDDIQI JIM SIKORA and KARINE MACINDOE JILL and GEOFF SPIDLE  
DEBBIE STERN FANI TRIFONIDIS SCOTT and VICTORIA TURNER BERT VAN HOEIJEN PAULA and MICHAEL VITAL  
BOB VOKES and JANE EDWARDS ALLISON WALKER PAM and TED WILLCOCKS ALEXIS WISE and GRAHAM DONAHUE  
MARK WISEMAN and MARCIA MOFFAT JANICE WISMER ASHER WITTENBERG MIMI WOOD and CHRIS PINKNEY



# WHITNEY MAIN EVENT

The parent teacher  
Social of the Year!

## The Toronto Lawn

44 Price Street  
Yonge & Summerhill  
Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00pm

RSVP by May 14<sup>th</sup>  
to the Main Office  
or  
to Vicky Reszetnik  
([vickyreszetnik@gmail.com](mailto:vickyreszetnik@gmail.com)  
or 29 Hudson Drive)

NAME(S): \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Address is required to receive tax receipt.*

Tickets are \$100 per person. Attendees will receive a welcome beverage, two drink tickets, appetizers and finger food. Please note that a portion of the ticket proceeds goes directly to the school.

- Please accept our reservation(s) for \_\_\_\_\_ people @ \$100 per person.
- Sorry, we cannot attend, but enclosed is our contribution to the event.

**RSVP and Payment:** Please return form and payment by cheque to Whitney School Council to the Main Event bin in the office.



The dental screening that was supposed to take place on Monday April 27 through to Wednesday April 29<sup>th</sup> has been rescheduled for **May 21<sup>st</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>**.

If parents do not wish their child/ren to be screened, please email Allison [allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca). If you have already emailed her, Allison has taken your name off the list— no need to email again.

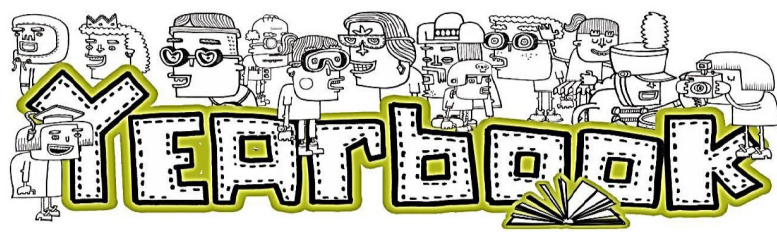
It's that time of year again and we're trying to make it easier for you! I sent home the order form for the yearbook and panoramic photos this week—it is also attached here.



Email requests are ALWAYS welcome and minimal information is needed (simply how many of each for your family). This is the most effective way to ensure that we order the exact number of copies that we need...and no one accidentally forgets to order. Yearbooks and Panoramic Photos are very popular and we don't want anyone to miss out!

I will strive to obtain a response from every family, even if they don't wish to purchase anything. Please reply now, if you already know you're not interested. (JK families, it may help to talk to families with older students, or your child's teacher if you're unsure!)

**Allison Walker**



# PANORAMIC PHOTOS



This year's Mayfair in Rosedale Park is **Saturday, May 9th**. The traditional costume parade will start from Moorevale Park at 8:20 am... a chance to dress up as a fisherman, a scuba diver, your favourite crazy fish or whatever takes your fancy. The parade's arrival at the park marks the start of Mayfair!

**Mayfair's Eve Preview** On **Friday, May 8th** all rides will be running from 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm, along with food and beverages. As a bonus, kids can redeem their ride-all-day vouchers at the park on Friday and use their bracelets both days!



The Friday evening festivities have become a Mayfair highlight for local families! Let the kids have some rides, then enjoy gourmet Summerhill ribs, plus our full BBQ menu and a drink in the Beer Garden, all to the cool sound of our jazz band... come back Saturday for races, games, bouncies, all the Mayfair attractions - and more rides! Full details at [www.mooredale.com](http://www.mooredale.com)

# wittenberg's wall

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## Boys Soccer

Congratulations to the members of the boys soccer team who finished up their season with an impressive 7-3 victory over OOOPS this past week. The boys started off a bit slow, and were stunned to find themselves down 2-0 in a must win game. The team responded quickly scoring five consecutive

goals, and had their opponents wondering whether there were nine Whitney players on the field or 15!

Unfortunately only the top team from our pool advanced, and Frankland did just enough to squeak by our Whitney superstars. Thank you to everyone for a fantastic season, and to all of the parents who found time to drive the boys to their games and get them out of bed in the mornings for practice!

## Ultimate Frisbee

**Grade 6** Congratulations to the members of the grade 6 ultimate team who were running up and down the field all week long! The team played two tough games against a brilliant squad from OOOPS (sadly we came out on the wrong end) and a third game against Withrow where the boys and girls played stellar defense, and made some outstanding catches on their way to a 12-4 victory! The team's last game this season is Wednesday at West Prep.

**Grade 4/5** Good luck to the 14 members of the grade 4/5 ultimate team who will be competing in a one day tournament on Friday at Deer Park.

## Track and Field

On Tuesday May 12th, the 50 (or so) members of the Whitney track and field team will be competing at Birchmount Stadium. Grade 4, 5 and 6 students competing in the 1500m or 60m hurdles must get a drive to the stadium and find Mr. W in the stands by 8:15 am. Students competing in other events can come the gym at 8:15 am. and meet Ms. Diniz and head to the meet by bus. If you would like to drive your child to the meet, please email me (asher.wittenberg@tdsb.on.ca) so I can take you off the bus list. Also, if your child is competing in the 1500m or 60m hurdles, please email me to let me know if you CAN or CANNOT drive.

Students need to **wear their Whitney t-shirts, bring a lunch, water bottle, hat, snacks, sun screen and of course running shoes!**



## MONDAY

## TUESDAY

**Track and field Meet**  
@ Birchmount Stadium  
(students taking the bus must meet Ms. Diniz in the gym at 8:15am)

## WEDNESDAY

**Grade 6 Ultimate Frisbee**  
vs. West Prep  
(departing Whitney at 3pm)

## THURSDAY

**Grade 4/5 Ultimate practice**  
7:15 at school, 7:30 at Rosedale Park  
**Grade 6 Girls Soccer game**  
vs. Hawthorne (12:00 at Rosedale)  
**Grade 6 Girls Soccer game**  
vs. Withrow (details TBA)

## FRIDAY

**Grade 4/5 Ultimate Frisbee tournament at Deer Park**  
(meet Mr. Wittenberg at school 8am)