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### school dates for May

18 Monday

Victoria Day—No School

**20** Wednesday

**Panoramic Photo** 

Thursday, 7pm
The Main Event—Toronto Lawn

We have been informed by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO) that given the ongoing job action (work-to-rule) by elementary teachers across the province, EQAO will **not** be sending assessment materials out at this time.

As a result, EQAO testing for Grade 3 and Grade 6 students will be postponed until further notice.

# 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** 

Friday SPA Day

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 <u>allison.walker@tdsb.on.ca</u> in your smartphone and email Allison in the office for any of your Whitney School needs.

## from the principal



### Happy May Long Weekend!

Wishing all students, parents and staff a wonderful long weekend! School resumes on Tuesday May 19th.

**Debbie Stern** 



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.

Here's a sneak peek at some of the auction items!

### **TEACHER EXPERIENCES**

- \* Movie Night at Whitney
- \* Teacher / Principal for Half a Day
- \* Phys Ed Teacher for the Day
- \* Lunch with the Kinder Teachers
- \* Tour of all the Secret Places at Whitney!

### KIDS' FUN!

- \* Crafts, Movie/Pizza Night, Soccer for JK/SK
- \* Lego Party for Grade 2 Boys
- \* Pool Party for Grade 3 Girls
- \* Ball Hockey for Grades 5 & 6
- \* Minecraft Nirvana

### **GROWN UP FUN!**

- \* Wine Tastings
- \* Poker Night
- \* Shuck You! Oysters with the Experts
- \* Private Yoga Classes
- \* Round of Golf at The National Club

### TICKETS, SHOWS, ETC.

- \* Tickets to ONCE and KINKY BOOTS
- \* GOLD Toronto Maple Leaf Tickets
- \* Stratford Festival, Soulpepper!
- \* Apple iPhone 6 (Silver 64GB)
- \* Ski Days at Osler, Alpine, Horseshoe

And much more...

Looking forward to seeing you there!

THE WHITNEY SCHOOL COUNCIL



# WHITNEY MAIN EVENT

The parent teacher Social of the Year!

# The Toronto Lawn 44 Price Street Yonge & Summerhill Thursday, May 21st @ 7:00pm

to the Main Office or to Vicky Reszetnik

RSVP by May 14th

NAME(S):	(vickyreszetnik@gmail.com
EMAIL:	or 29 Hudson Drive)
PHONE:	
ADDRESS:	
POSTAL CODE:	
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 @ \$10	00 per person.
$\square$ Sorry, we cannot attend, but enclosed is our contribut	ion to the event.
<b>RSVP and Payment:</b> Please return form and payment by cheque to Whitney School Council to the Main Event bin in the office.	

SUPPORT THE THINGS THAT MAKE YOUR CHILD'S DAY GREAT
WHITNEY SCHOOL COUNCIL, 119 ROSEDALE HEIGHTS DRIVE, TORONTO, ON M4T 1C7



The students of Whitney's eco-club are concerned about batteries being thrown out in the trash.

It is estimated that each person uses approximately 20 batteries per year. So if each person in Canada uses close to 20 batteries each year, and there are 35 million people in Canada, that's more than 700 million batteries used in a single year. That's a lot of batteries.

When batteries aren't properly recycled they end up in landfills where they can create serious environmental and health problems.

Whitney is now participating in RMC's battery recycling program. RMC is an Ontario based processor that specializes in the recycling of single-use batteries.

### You can help!

- Round up any used and unwanted single use household batteries. Feel free to reach out to family and friends and help them recycle their batteries too.
- Show your child how to properly tape 9-volt, 6-volt, button cell and single use lithium batteries. It's important to know which batteries require tape when storing used batteries in the household. Please take the time to learn more here: http://rawmaterials.com/page/education/prepare-batteries/
- Place the batteries in a ziplock bag for your child to bring to school.

Please help by bringing your used single-use batteries and place them in the recycling bin opposite of the office.

Thank you very much, Whitney's eco-club

### **Rail Safety First Town Hall**

Wednesday, 27 May 2015 7 to 8:30 PM

Train derailments involving dangerous goods have become extremely frequent in North America making headlines on an almost monthly basis. Millions of Canadians live, work or attend school within the 1km radius "blast zone". We need to act before the next derailment causes serious loss of life and devastating damage to our environment.

Rail Safety First invites you to attend this very important Town Hall to discuss rail safety and the need for increased government regulation to protect Canadians. For more details and to RSVP please click here <a href="http://www.railsafetyfirst.com/attendthetownhall/">http://www.railsafetyfirst.com/attendthetownhall/</a>

### Did you know that:

- metal is infinitely recyclable?
- some batteries contain heavy metals? such as mercury, lead, cadmium and nickel?
- dead batteries are responsible for more than 80% of all the heavy metals found in our landfills?
- Ontario recycles more primary single-use batteries than any other province in Canada? Let's keep it that way!
- 35% of Ontarians still improperly dispose of their used batteries? We can do better!





### Grade 4/5 Badminton

The grade 4/5 badminton teams will play their head to head match on Tuesday morning starting at 7:30 am.

### Grade 6 Ultimate Frisbee

Congratulations to the grade 6 ultimate team who finished up their regular season on Thursday. The boys and girls played some amazing ultimate, improving each and every game. Thank you to all of the families who supported the team throughout the season, whether it was driving to the games, cheering on the sidelines, or getting the kids to the many morning practices!

### Track and Field

Congratulations to all of the students who competed at the track and field meet at Birchmount Stadium on Tuesday. It was a bit of a chilly day, but that didn't stop our incredible athletes from burning up the track! Here are some of the outstanding results:

**Beate** - 1st in the 80m dash and 2nd in the 60m hurdles **Noah** - 2nd in the running long jump and 2nd in the 800m

Tyler S - 2nd in the running long jump

Russell - 2nd in the 200m

**Jaqueline** - 2nd in shot put

Sam - 2nd in the 800m and 5th in the 80m

**Robbie** - 3rd in the 400m

Charlie L - 4th in the 1500m

Lily - 4th in the standing long jump

**Taimur** - 4th in the standing long jump

Nicole - 5th in the 1500m

Audrey - 5th in the standing long jump

**Turner** - 5th in the 200m

Alexia - 6th in the standing long jump

Gillian - 6th in the 200m

Caitlin - 7th in the 800m

Livie - 8th in the 800m

Georgia - 8th in the 60m hurdles

Nate - 8th in the 1500m

Grade 3 Girls Relay

Audrey, Ellie, Jamie and Riley) 2nd girls 4x100m relay

Grade 4 Girls Relay

(Avery, Beate, Mackenzie and Sophie) 3rd girls 4x100m relay

Grade 5 Boys Relay

(Harry, Nick, Russell and Sam) 5th boys 4x100m relay

Students in grades 4, 5 and 6 who finished in the top four are advancing to the South Conference Finals, which will take place on Tuesday June 2nd back at Birchmount Stadium. Ms. Diniz and Mr. Wittenberg will speak to the individual athletes and the grade 4 girls relay team to organize practice times before the big meet!

Thank you to all of the families who came out to the first meet (braved the cold) and cheered on our fantastic student athletes!!

