

# Whitney Word

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## school dates for april

- 11** Monday  
**Book Sale Starts—Grade 6 Grad Fundraiser**
- 11** Monday, 8am  
**Choir Practice**
- 12** Tuesday, 7pm (Please RSVP)  
**Presentation: Concussions with Dr. C Tator**
- 13** Wednesday, 1pm, Gym  
**Battle of the Books Finale**
- 15** Friday  
**PA Day—No School** **NOTE**
- 18** Monday, 8am  
**Choir Practice**
- 21** Thursday 7pm  
**Whitney Talent Show (Grade 4/5/6)**

## school dates for may

- 5** Thursday May 5, 7pm  
**The Main Event, Toronto Lawn**
- 15** Friday  
**SPA Day**

## from the principal

### SCOOTERS, SKATEBOARDS, LONG BOARDS & BIKES



This is a very important reminder for all students who bring their scooters, skateboards, long boards and bikes to school. Scooters, skateboards, long boards and bikes may be used to **get** to school, but are **NOT** to be used on school property.

Students must walk their bikes onto school property and lock them up by the bike racks. Also, scooters, skateboards and long boards must be left outside under the overhang outside the main doors and not used between the hours of 8:30 and 3:45.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

**Debbie Stern**

# Battle of the Books



What an incredible two weeks we have had! The teams have never been stronger. The battles have never been closer. One morning this week, three matches ended with the winning teams only winning by one point! The grade 4s came out of the gate as fierce competitors this year. The grade 5s know their stuff and the grade 6s, well, they have study sheets.

We have also seen some outstanding sportsmanship and team camaraderie: shaking of hands, hugs, "congratulations", and "good job" have all been exchanged between teams. Not to mention how great the audience has been, coming out to support their classmates.

You will see in one of the pictures, the grade 5s, practicing for the battles, during their library time.

Thank you to all the parents and teachers for your support of this initiative. The teachers go from room to room in the mornings supporting their students and cheering them on.

Look for the announcement in the WW, in two weeks time, of the overall winner. TBD Wed. April 11th @ 1pm in the gym.

**Monday, April 11, 8am**  
**What??? Vs. Gummy Bears**

**Monday, April, 11, 12noon, Consolation Final**  
**Happenator vs. TBD (Gummy Bears or What???)**

**Tuesday, April 12, 8am**  
**Saving Trees vs. W of**

**Consolation**  
**Tuesday, April 12, 8am**  
**Fluffy Chickens from Snortlington vs. Squad**

**Wednesday, April 13, 1pm Final in the Gym**





# WHITNEY MAIN EVENT

Thursday, May 5  
The Toronto Lawn  
@ 7PM

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

We need volunteers in the following areas:

\* **EVENT TABLE:**

We need volunteers to help spread the word about the Main Event on April 19, 20 and 21 from 8:15-9 AM and 3-3:45 PM in the Whitney Playground.

The time commitment can be as little as one shift or as much as you like. To help out, please email Vicky at [vickyreszetnik@gmail.com](mailto:vickyreszetnik@gmail.com).

\* **DAY OF EVENT:**

We also need volunteers at the event itself. Roles include helping with Set Up, Check-in, Check-out and Balloon Pop.

Again, the time commitment is flexible, with each shift being 30-45 minutes. To volunteer, please email Jill at [j.spidle@yahoo.ca](mailto:j.spidle@yahoo.ca) or Lisa at [lisadianaclark@me.com](mailto:lisadianaclark@me.com).



Thanks!  
**THE WHITNEY SCHOOL COUNCIL**

**Tuesday April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**7pm**

**Whitney Jr. Public School**  
119 Rosedale Heights Dr.

**RSVP**  
**whitney@tdsb.on.ca**

## **What Every Parent Should Know about Concussions** **The Importance of School Based Programs for Concussion Education, Management and Prevention**

Many children and adolescents sustain concussions, and schools are now taking steps to educate students and their parents about concussion management and prevention. Fortunately, with good management most students respond well. This talk will cover the essentials of diagnosis and treatment of concussions and provide tips about prevention.

A small donation to Parachute Canada would be greatly appreciated [www.parachutecanada.org](http://www.parachutecanada.org)

### **Dr. Charles H Tator, PhD, MD**

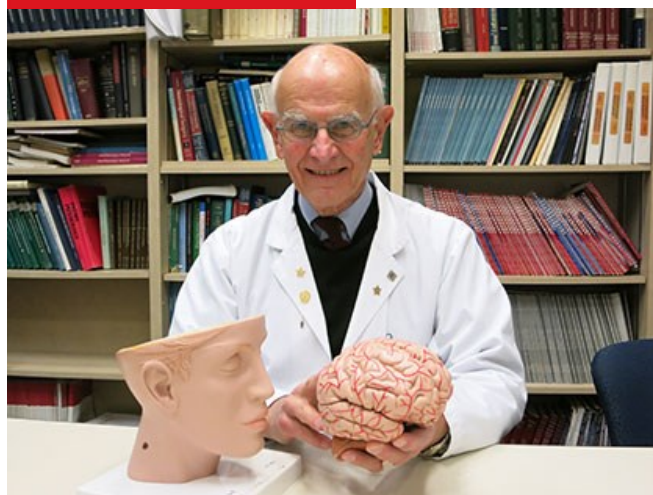
Since the early 1970s, Dr. Charles Tator has had a resounding impact on spinal cord injury research, prevention and treatment, and on training our next generation of leading surgical scientists. An eminent scientist, neurosurgeon, professor and administrator, his laboratory was the first in Canada to study acute spinal cord injury from a basic science perspective. Dr. Tator's research transformed our world's understanding of spinal cord injury and, in 1978, he developed one of the first experimental models of spinal cord injury in small laboratory animals.

Dr. Charles Tator is currently the Project Director of the Canadian Sports Concussion Project at the Krembil Neuroscience Centre, Toronto Western Hospital. From 1983 to 1988, he was head of the neurosurgery division at Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre and served as director of the Toronto Hospital Neurosciences Centre. From 1990 to 1999, he was associate director of the Playfair Neuroscience Unit at the Toronto Hospital and he was chairman of the neurosurgery division at the University of Toronto from 1989 to 1999.

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The NHL needs to do [more](#) to prevent head trauma among its players

**DR. CHARLES TATOR**  
Special to The Globe and Mail





## Calling All Whitney Readers

The grade 6 class is hosting a Book Sale starting on Monday, April 11 running through Thursday, April 14. Each class will visit the sale on a scheduled morning & can return to enjoy the sale during morning recess! All books are priced at \$1 so please send in some loonies & toonies with your students next week. Some of the proceeds will contribute to the Grade 6 graduation and some will be gifted to a school in need for their graduating class. Please support this wonderful school wide event. The collection of books is fabulous- there is something for everyone!

Most appreciatively,  
The Grade 6 Grad Committee

### Sign-Up to date:

Ms Steane (JK,SK) April 12 at 9:30  
Ms Siddiq (JK,SK) April 14 at 9:30  
Mr Conway (Grade 1) April 14 at 10:30  
Mr Gadsten (Grade 2,3) April 12 at 10:30  
Ms Hargrave (Grade 1) April 14 at 11:00  
Ms Allen (Grade 2) April 13 at 10:20  
Mr Winter (Grade 4) April 13 at 9:30

## TELLING TALES OUT OF SCHOOL

PEOPLE FOR EDUCATION PRESENTS  
A gala performance  
to invest in  
Canada's future.



For the past 19 years, People for Education has been *the* voice for public education in Ontario. As an independent charitable organization, we work to ensure that public education realizes its promise. We do this by gathering the facts, sharing ideas and information and engaging the public in conversations that matter about our children's education. Please visit [peopleforeducation.ca](http://peopleforeducation.ca) to read some of our publications and learn about our events.

***Telling Tales Out of School*** is an upcoming event that celebrates the creativity, innovation and imagination that is alive and thriving in our public schools today. Over the years, ***Telling Tales Out of School*** has attracted many of Toronto's political, community, and business leaders as audience members, as well as an amazing roster of Canadian authors, actors and musicians including stars like **Mary Walsh, Steven Page, Margaret Atwood, Eric Peterson, Molly Johnson, Atom Egoyan, Michael Ondaatje, Brent Carver, R.H. Thompson, Jim Cuddy, Joseph Boyden, Albert Schultz** and more. This year will be no exception.

Please consider joining us on May 1 at the Glenn Gould Studio, CBC at 6:30 pm and help support our efforts on behalf of public school students.



**MOOREDALE**

**After Four Spring Registration** is open and spaces are filling up quickly! Please see the attached flyer for the entire list of programs available for your child(ren) to enjoy in the comfort of Whitney Public School, during after school hours, run by Mooredale. If you have not registered yet, please click the registration link below.



*Mooredale membership is required and can be processed as part of your registration.*

Online Registration: Sign up [here](#).

For those who have registered, we hope that your children enjoy the great programs this term.

Please direct any questions to Eric Musselman at Mooredale: T: [416-922-3714](tel:416-922-3714) ext. 105 or by email at [emusselman@mooredale.on.ca](mailto:emusselman@mooredale.on.ca)

# wittenberg's wall

sports. house leagues. wildcats



## Coed Volleyball

Congratulations to the members of the coed volleyball team who played incredibly well at their one day tournament at Hillcrest. We had an exciting TTC ride to the tournament (watch out for the pigeons!), and then our amazing athletes played their hearts out. It all started with a 2-0 victory over JR Wilcox in a hotly contested first match. Our second match was against a very strong team from Hillcrest. This was quite the battle and we came up just short. Our third and final game of the round robin was against the 2nd team from Hillcrest, and there was no messing around from our team. They bumped, volleyed and spiked their way to a victory. We then moved on to a tournament playoff, and in the finals we met up with the first Hillcrest team. Again it was a battle of the ages. Despite our best efforts, we came up just short, losing 25-23.

It truly was an incredible day of volleyball, and Allison and I could not have been more proud of the way our athletes played, and for the outstanding sportsmanship they displayed throughout the day. Thank you to all of the families who supported the team throughout the season!

## Ultimate Frisbee

Even though there might still be snow on the ground, tryouts for the grade 4/5 and grade 6 ultimate teams will take place next week! Depending on the weather, tryouts will either take place on the field, or in the gym.



## Boys and Girls Soccer

Tryouts for the boys and girls soccer team are coming up soon! Please check the Weeks at a Glance for dates and times of the tryouts. All tryouts will take place either on the Whitney field or in the gym (depending on the weather).

# at a glance

# two weeks

sports, house leagues, wildcats

## Monday 11—Friday 15

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<p><b>7:30</b> Drop in badminton</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 6 Ultimate Tryouts</p>	<p><b>7:30</b> Grade 6 Badminton</p> <p><b>12:30</b> Grade 6 Badminton Tournament</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 4/5 Ultimate Tryouts</p>	<p><b>7:30am</b> Grade 4/5 Badminton</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 6 Ultimate Tryouts</p>	<p><b>7:30</b> Grade 4/5 Ultimate Tryouts</p>	<p><b>No School</b></p>

## Monday 18 — Friday 22

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
<p><b>7:50</b> Grade 4/5 Badminton Tournament (all day)</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 6 Ultimate Practice</p>	<p><b>7:30</b> Girls Soccer Tryouts</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 4/5 Ultimate Practice</p>	<p><b>7:30</b> Boys Soccer Tryouts</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 6 Ultimate Practice</p>	<p><b>7:30</b> Girls Soccer Tryouts</p> <p><b>3:30</b> Grade 4/5 Ultimate Practice</p>	<p><b>7:30</b> Boys Soccer Tryouts</p>