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|  | This newsletter is created by Mr. Himelson, Guidance Teacher at Bayview Middle School. Here’s my contact information:  Phone: 416-395-2050  Email: [Martin.Himelson@tdsb.on.ca](mailto:Martin.Himelson@tdsb.on.ca)  **I will be at Bayview M.S.:** Tuesday & Wednesday mornings, and a few Friday afternoons.    The TDSB Vision of Guidance   * promote success for all learners * foster and support the emotional, social, and academic well-being of students * promote all pathways and honour all destinations * help students make connections with self and others, in school, within the TDSB, and in the broader community   Activities for the Summer  Keeping kids active this summer can sometimes be a challenge for families. Some students will choose unhealthy activities where they spend countless hours playing video games, chatting on social media, or watching Youtube, Netflix, or television. Children and youth should be engaged socially and participating daily in physical activity. Setting clear expectations and rules at home will help limit the amount of time children spend on-line. However, keeping your child active and engaged, and creating good life habits, is the best way to prevent these unhealthy choices. Here are a few examples of what is available to parents/guardians/students:  **Summer School – Elementary**  Students have the opportunity to attend summer school during the month of July! The TDSB Summer School Program is free to students and provides a half-day morning program which runs from July 3 – 26, 2019. The summer school program can offer instruction in numeracy, literacy, art, etc. Different school locations may offer different programming. Registration is currently open and students can obtain the registration form in our office, or online. Click on the link to print off the TDSB Elementary Summer School registration form for the specific school you wish to attend. <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/About-Us/Innovation/Elementary-Summer-School>  **Summer School – Secondary**  Grade 8 students have an opportunity to take a summer school course through the TDSB and obtain a ½ credit. The summer school program will be run at Northview Heights Secondary School and will focus on the Exploring Technology curriculum (TIJ). Details on this program will be coming soon.  **Summer Camps and Programs**  **Camps**  City of Toronto Parks and Recreation offers various types of camps for children of all ages. They also offer councilor-in-training programs for some of the older youth. Please visit the link provided for more information. <https://www.toronto.ca/data/parks/funguide/listings.html#%20>  **Cadets**  The Cadet Program is one of the largest federally sponsored youth programs in Canada that includes the Royal Canadian Sea Cadets, Royal Canadian Army Cadets and the Royal Canadian Air Cadets.  It is a national program for young Canadians aged 12 to 18 who are interested in participating in a variety of fun, challenging and rewarding activities. Cadets are encouraged to become active, responsible members of their communities. They make valuable contributions to Canadian society on a daily basis in terms of environmental, citizenship and community activities. Please click the link for more info. <http://www.cadets.ca/en/join/cadets.page>  **Scouts Canada**  Scouting makes a difference in the lives of children, youth and young adults. Providing youth-led opportunities, members determine what areas they would like to grow in as they achieve new “firsts” and develop into global citizen. Through Scouting, youth become more healthy, energetic, outgoing, conscientious and compassionate – and they have a lot of fun! To learn more about Scouts Canada, please visit <https://myscouts.ca/>  **Community Sports Programs**  There are many community sports clubs which offer both recreational and competitive programs for youth. Whether your child likes soccer, basketball, baseball, lacrosse, etc. there are a wide variety of programs in the community. Some examples of clubs are…<http://www.nyba.ca/clubteams>; <https://northyorkcosmos.com/>; <http://www.ynba.ca/leagues/homeYNBA.cfm?leagueID=0&clientID=4585&link=YNBA&xx=1b> ; <https://ontariolacrosse.com/>  **Summer Jobs for Students …** In the province of Ontario, students can start working at the age of 14. In order to work and earn money, students will need to obtain their Social Insurance Number (S.I.N.). If your child does not have a S.I.N. they can apply online at <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/services/sin/apply.html>  Students will also have to create a resume and cover letter. MyBluePrint has a wonderful tool which guides students step-by-step on creating their resume and cover letter. We will be working with the Grade 8 students on this over the next few weeks. Students should start thinking about any volunteer work they have done in the community, along with the various clubs, sports, and activities they do both inside and outside of school. These are important pieces of information to add to the resume. Summer camps and local food stores are just a few places who will hire 14 year olds.  **Community Hours for Grade 8 Students** One of the requirements to graduate High School with an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (O.S.S.D.) is to complete a minimum of 40 hours of community volunteer work. Students have till the end of Grade 12 to complete these hours, but it is recommended that they start preparing now. Students can start collecting their community hours when they graduate grade 8. We will be informing all the grade 8 students on the rules and regulations around the community hours so that they are participating in safe activities that are both meaningful to themselves and to the community. We will also be sending home Fact Sheets and information on community hours in the next month. For more information on community hours, please visit <http://edu.gov.on.ca/extra/eng/ppm/graduate.html> and <https://www.tdsb.on.ca/High-School/GradesExamsDiplomas/Getting-your-Diploma> | | |